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BALTIC 115 NIKATA – tops 28 knots on maiden transatlantic passage



Nikata, the latest all-carbon, custom-built high performance cruiser/racer launched by Baltic Yachts, completed successful trials in Finland this autumn and recently arrived in the Caribbean after a 3,000 nautical mile transatlantic passage during which boat speed hit 28 knots.

This dramatic-looking, silver-hulled, 88-ton yacht is the latest example of precision carbon fibre engineering and construction from the Baltic Yachts' team in Jakobstad, Finland. The 240-strong workforce was not only responsible for the pre-preg carbon/Corecell hull and deck, but also the lightweight, handcrafted, foam-cored cabinetry forming the luxurious eight-berth owner and guest accommodation.

Team delivers on time

Working with naval architects judel/vrolijk & co, project managers MCM of Newport in the USA and Nauta Design, responsible on-deck and interior design and styling, the Baltic Yachts' team delivered Nikata on time and on budget enabling her to reach the Caribbean well in advance of the 22 February start of the Royal Ocean Racing Club's Caribbean 600 Race in which she will be competing.

Although designed as a fast, comfortable family cruising yacht, Baltic's ability to engineer and build a high-precision, allcarbon hull and deck, using their own computer programing to fine-tune construction, means that this 115-footer is light and stiff enough to perform well on the race course, inshore and offshore.



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Cruiser based on race boat design

Nikata's hull shape is an evolution of the latest Mini Maxi 72s some of which will be competing against her in the Caribbean 600. Built to grand prix tolerances means Nikata's performance can be maximised as the structure is stiff enough to handle the necessary rig loads for runners and headstay.

High-speed winches and an advanced barber hauling system for the headsail make this yacht well equipped for inshore racing as well as offshore events. She also has the ability to switch from a cruising style 'pin-head' mainsail to a powerful 'square top' for more competitive sailing. With her 33-ton lifting bulb keel in the fully down position she should prove potent upwind and her 26ft (7.9m) wide transom will provide impressive stability and speed off the wind.

Fast and accurate manufacturing

A key feature on deck is the ingenious fold-out stern platform, designed by Nauta Design, engineered and built by Baltic, providing a swimming and boarding area plus a wide set of steps enabling guests to reach the main deck and large cockpit with ease. In the stowed position the teak laid platform becomes the aft deck.

Throughout the accommodation the use of linen covered upholstery and other light-coloured fabrics compliments the large amount of natural light afforded by the centreline skylight in the coachroof and the intricately designed glass panels either side of the companionway. Baltic's policy of building accommodation modules in-house and fine tuning design by using full size mock-ups, results in fast and highly accurate manufacturing.

Sound deadened at source

Much research and development has been invested in sound deadening in this yacht with vibration reduced at source by re-designing machinery mounts and refining the flexible shock absorbers upon which all the accommodation modules are mounted.



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The result is an exceptionally quiet and comfortable yacht whether one is cruising, crossing oceans, racing round the cans or taking part in demanding offshore events. In short she is a fast, luxurious, versatile superyacht.



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SPECIFICATION

Dimension

L.O.A.	35. 00 m
L.W.L.	32,6 m
BEAM	8,07 m
DRAFT	3.65 / 5,85 m
DISPLACEMENT	88,000 kg
BALLAST	33,000 kg
IM	40,760 m
J	12,530 m
Р	42,790 m
Е	14,790 m

Construction

HULL	Carbon sandwich construction, core material corecell
KEEL	APM lifting keel
DECK	Carbon sandwich construction with honeycomb
INTERIOR	Oak and linen veneers
NOICE AND VIBRATION	Baltic Yachts

Design

NAVAL ARCHITECT	judel/vrolijk & co
CONCEPT, INTERIOR & EXTERIOR DESIGN	Nauta Design
PROJECT MANAGEMENT	Nigel Ingram, MCM
CLASSIFICATION	MCA Pleasure
NUMBER OF CABINS	1 x Owner, 1 x Vip, 2 x guest, 3 x Crew
STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING	Gurit
DELIVERY YEAR	2015