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188 SPORTFISH – SCOUT BOATS



Builder:

SCOUT BOATS

Model:

188 Sportfish

LOA:

19' 0" (5.79 m)

Beam:

18' 0" (5.77 m)

Fuel Capacity:

39 Gallons

Hull Material:

Fiberglass and Plastic Yachts

Deck Material:

Composite

Engines:

1

Manufacturer:

Mercury

Engine Type:

Outboard

Fuel Type:

Gas

If you would like to buy a yacht **188 SPORTFISH – SCOUT BOATS** or would like help, please call +1(954)274-4435 or visit shestakovyachtsales.com

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OVERVIEW

The 188 Sportfish from SCOUT BOATS is a compact center-console motor yacht. Its hull is constructed from fiberglass and plastic with a composite deck, and propulsion is provided by a single Mercury outboard.

Selecting a 188 Sportfish

Picking the appropriate center-console platform becomes straightforward with professional input. If you value a small overall footprint (LOA 19 ft / 5.79 m), a wide stance (18 ft / 5.77 m), the simplicity of a single engine, and gasoline propulsion, the 188 Sportfish is likely a strong match. Shestakov Yacht Sales, led by broker Andrey Shestakov, can assist in assessing fit, available configurations, and the timing of purchase.

Features of the Model

- center console configuration
- Single Mercury outboard; **Gas** fuel type
- fiberglass and plastic hull with a composite deck
- Fuel capacity: 39 gal
- Compact dimensions for easy handling: 19 ft (5.79 m) LOA; 18 ft (5.77 m) beam
- Built by SCOUT BOATS

Technical Specifications

- Model: 188 Sportfish
- Builder: SCOUT BOATS

- Type: motor yacht; layout: center console
- LOA: 19 ft (5.79 m)
- Beam: 18 ft (5.77 m)
- Engines: 1 x Mercury
- Engine type: Outboard
- Fuel type: Gas
- Fuel capacity: 39 gal
- Hull: fiberglass and plastic
- Deck: Composite

Pricing and Ordering

To obtain current pricing, confirm availability, or arrange a consultation about the 188 Sportfish, reach out to Andrey Shestakov at Shestakov Yacht Sales. Our brokerage team will walk you through detailed specifications, inspection options, and the steps to complete your purchase.

Questions and Answers

Q: What type of yacht is the 188 Sportfish? A: It's a motor yacht configured as a center console, organized around a **center-console** layout to offer versatile use.

Q: Who builds the 188 Sportfish? A: The model is produced by SCOUT BOATS, a builder with an established reputation for its models and craftsmanship.

Q: What are the key dimensions? A: The **LOA** measures 19 ft (5.79 m) and the **Beam** is 18 ft (5.77 m), yielding a compact but notably wide platform.

Q: What is the engine setup and fuel? A: The boat is powered by 1 x **Mercury** outboard running on **Gas** , and it carries a **fuel capacity** of 39 gal.

Q: What are the hull and deck materials? A: The **hull** is listed as fiberglass and plastic, while the **deck** is built of Composite material for durability and lower upkeep.

Owner Experience Review

Owners commonly use the 188 Sportfish by SCOUT BOATS for inshore and bay fishing trips, benefiting from onboard features like a 13-gallon livewell, rod storage in the transom and console, and flush-mounted rod holders. When fishing gear is stowed, the layout converts easily for family outings — seating for six, a reversible forward-console lounger, and bolstered bow seats provide comfortable options. Practical touches include a helm seat with a metal frame and a cooler stored beneath, while the gel-coated bilge and generally refined ergonomics stand out for a center console under 19 feet. One reviewer described it succinctly as a “compact but cool new center console,” and its trailer-friendly 18'11" LOA and approximate 1,645-pound dry weight make it well suited to quick launch-and-go excursions.

On the water, SCOUT BOATS attributes the boat's early planing and stable demeanor to its Air Assist hull, which is intended to perform well with modest horsepower. Factory figures with a 115 hp outboard indicate a top speed in the neighborhood of 42–44 mph and a 0–30 mph sprint of about 8.3 seconds. Online forum commentary includes cautions that smaller models from SCOUT BOATS can feel wet and relatively rough, and some users question long-term durability, while other long-term owners report their older boats “has been a tank for 15 years.” Maintenance chatter has referenced scupper leakage and hull voids on the earlier 175 model, alongside mixed opinions on finish and fit in newer iterations; prospective buyers should weigh these varied owner experiences when setting expectations.

Pros and Cons

- Trailerable footprint (18'11") and an approximate dry weight of ~1,645 lb make this boat easy to tow and launch.
- Layout tailored for inshore and bay fishing, including a 13-gallon livewell, dedicated rod storage, and flush rod holders.
- Air Assist hull promotes earlier planing and a composed feel, with potential speeds around ~42–44 mph on a 115 hp engine.
- Some forum contributors report a rougher, wetter ride in the smaller SCOUT BOATS models.
- Owner feedback on finish and fit is mixed, with some reviewers questioning build quality relative to price.
- Earlier or related models have had reports of scupper leakage and hull voids on the prior 175.

Comparison with Other Models

Model	LOA	Beam	Draft	Speed (Cruising/Max)	Gross Tonnage
188 Sportfish	19' 0" (5.79 m)	18' 0" (5.77 m)			
305 LXF	30' 0" (9.25 m)	9' 0" (3 m)	5' 9" (1.75 m)		
281 XSS	28' 0" (8.56 m)	9' 0" (2.84 m)	3' 10" (1.17 m)		
177 Sport	17' 0" (5.36 m)	7' 0" (2.21 m)	2' 9" (0.83 m)		
380 LXF	38' 0" (11.58 m)	12' 0" (3.68 m)	7' 5" (2.25 m)		
251 XSS	24' 0" (7.57 m)	8' 0" (2.59 m)	3' 7" (1.08 m)		
277 LXF	27' 0" (8.46 m)	9' 0" (2.74 m)	5' 2" (1.58 m)		
195 Sport Dorado	19' 0" (5.92 m)	8' 0" (2.59 m)	3' 7" (1.08 m)		
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The founder and lead broker of the company is Andrey Shestakov, a licensed and certified expert with extensive experience in marine engineering and shipbuilding.

The company has an extensive network of partnerships with major yacht manufacturers worldwide and provides services in multiple languages, including Russian, Ukrainian, Spanish, and English. The office is in Dania Beach, Florida, USA.

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