

ISLANDER 7 - BERTRAM YACHT



Builder: [Bertram Yacht](#)

Beam: 13' 0" (4.22 m)

Year Built: 1988

Min Draft: 11' 2" (3.40 m)

Model: N/A

Max Draft: 13' 8" (4.17 m)

Price: \$195,000 USD Subject to change.

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Location: Stuart, United States

LOA: 43' 0" (13.11 m)

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OVERVIEW

Elegant in silhouette and rich in heritage, this 1988 Bertram-designed yacht measures 43 feet and embodies the seaworthy assurance and refined comfort that established Bertram as an icon. Built in the United States with a hand-laid fiberglass hull and matching fiberglass decks, her classic monohull form delivers a steady, sea-kindly motion that invites long passages and serious offshore ventures.

The deck layout emphasizes purpose and ease: expansive working areas and secure sightlines reflect thoughtful naval architecture. A generous cockpit accommodates both vigorous sportfishing and relaxed socializing, while robust construction and clean moldings speak to the durable craftsmanship of an era when yachts were made to endure. Forward, the foredeck remains uncluttered and safe underfoot, with practical detailing that streamlines anchoring and line handling.

The raised helm offers a commanding vantage for reading the water and piloting with assurance. Seating is configured to promote conversation and clear communication, so that passages feel effortless and arrivals are accomplished with poise. A flybridge arrangement enhances visibility and command, blending the pleasures of cruising with the needs of serious offshore operation.

Below, the interior bears the familiar Bertram touch: warm woods, efficient use of space, and volume that belies her length. A luminous salon welcomes quiet relaxation after a day underway, while a functional galley serves as the center of life aboard—equally suited to preparing a casual meal at anchor or a celebratory dinner alongside the quay. Private cabins provide restful accommodations, supported by ample storage and a timeless nautical aesthetic that endures.

Propulsion comes from a dependable single Detroit Diesel, offering

authoritative thrust and the straightforward serviceability prized by seasoned mariners; the engine installation and machinery arrangement favor easy access and maintenance—practical features for genuine offshore use.

Equally at home on weekend escapes or ambitious coastal runs, this classic American-built yacht balances strength, elegance, and seakeeping in a manner few contemporary designs match. Lying in the United States and ready for her next chapter, she invites farther travel, longer stays, and arrival with unmistakable presence.

Keywords: Sportfisher, Convertible, Flybridge, Motor Yacht, Classic Yacht, Offshore, Bluewater, Cruiser, Fishing Yacht, Monohull, Fiberglass, Diesel

SPECIFICATIONS

Basic Information

Category:
Motor yachts

Year Built:
1988

Sub category:
Sport Fisherman

Country:
United States

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Speed, Capacities and Weight

Gross Tonnage:
38 Pounds

Hull and Deck Information

Hull Material:

Fiberglass and Plastic Yachts

Hull Designer:

Bertram Yacht

Deck Material:

Fiberglass

Interior Designer:

Bertram Yacht

Hull Configuration:

Monohull

Engine Information

Engines:

1

Fuel Type:

Diesel

Manufacturer:

Detroit Diesel

GALLERY







DETAILED DESCRIPTION

Main description

1988 Bertram 43' Convertible, HULL #1, offers a rare opportunity to own a celebrated chapter of sportfishing heritage, custom-finished for show and meticulously preserved ever since. Bertram poured extraordinary effort into launching the new 43' model, and Islander 7, previously known as Marksmanship, hit the bullseye with a timeless design, rugged build, and purposeful elegance. Stewarded by discerning owners with the same pedigree as the marque and an open-checkbook approach, she presents today in truly Bristol condition. Her efficient and powerful Detroit 6v92 engines, each rated at 550 hp, received a major overhaul within the last year along with resealed gears; the complete rebuild was performed at 2,151 hours, with the port engine now showing twenty hours and the starboard ninety-two hours since. Complemented by numerous upgrades implemented over recent years, this Bertram 43 is absolutely worth a personal inspection.

Vessel details

The aft cockpit welcomes you through a transom tuna door, with secure grab holds to port and starboard for boarding from a higher quay. Purpose-built for the chase, it features a proper fighting chair and well-considered fishing amenities, newer coaming pads, multiple rod holders, and outriggers rigged to work lines precisely, while quartz lights bathe the cockpit in clear illumination after dark. A sturdy ladder carries you to the flybridge and further up to the well-equipped tuna tower. Command is pure delight on a flybridge worthy of a king, where a spacious layout and an extensive electronics suite inspire confidence. Forward bench seating comfortably carries four to six guests, while two teak captain's chairs with plush cushions place you perfectly at the helm.

The canvas was replaced with new in 2024, and the helm is comprehensively outfitted with two Garmin 1040xs combination displays and a Garmin 8616 combination display, a Garmin open-array radar with seventy-two mile range, and an integrated suite from Garmin providing chartplotter, sounder, radar, and night-vision displays. A Sionyx digital night vision camera sharpens your edge at night, complemented by an Icom IC-M4240 VHF radio, a Robertson Norway AP200 autopilot, clear analog gauges, Glendinning engine controls with synchronizer, remote spotlight control, Fireboy controls, and an engine manual fuel shutoff override. From the tuna tower you can stay out of the sun while spotting fish with ease, aided by remote spotlight controls, cushioned coamings, and full engine controls that put every tactical advantage at your fingertips. Step inside through a secure sliding glass door to a single-level open salon and galley graced by a newly laid teak-and-holly cabin sole and an aquatic-themed décor that feels instantly at home at sea. Climate is effortlessly managed by a recently upgraded sixteen thousand BTU Cruisair air conditioning system. To port, a sectional sofa folds out to a queen-size berth, facing an entertainment center with a Kenwood stereo and a Samsung TV/DVD, with a flush-mounted Uline freezer below and a Sea 322 HF/SSB radiotelephone discreetly concealed in a locker. The open galley to starboard presents a Force-10 three-burner electric cooktop, a deep stainless-steel sink, and a flush-mounted Uline refrigerator set within cabinetry and drawers beneath a neutral-toned solid-surface countertop, while additional cabinetry aft houses the ship's electrical distribution panels along with extra stowage. Down three steps and forward to starboard, the guest stateroom offers a thoughtful arrangement with two berths and an ensuite head with shower, all served by a recently upgraded Cruisair five thousand BTU air conditioning unit. In the forepeak, the master stateroom centers on a raised custom walk-around island berth with generous storage, mood-setting adjustable LED lighting, and a recently upgraded Cruisair seven thousand BTU air conditioner. A double-width, full-height hanging locker and private ensuite access to the head

and enclosed shower provide liveaboard comfort, with adjustable LED lighting in both spaces to set the tone with just the right color. Open the engine-room hatch and you are greeted by space, order, and a suite of recent upgrades that make maintenance a pleasure rather than a contortion. On the forward bulkhead to port sits a recently upgraded Reliance nineteen-gallon hot water heater, followed by upgraded redundant freshwater pumps polished by a GE Smartwater filtration system, with properly installed bilge and fire alarms above. Two Charles twenty-amp battery chargers tend the house and engine banks, while a U-lube oil change system is hard-plumbed to the engines and transmissions. To starboard, three recently upgraded Cruisair compressors stand ready, and a QuickSilver galvanic isolator safeguards the ship's electrical system from stray currents. Looking aft, the pride of recent work shines: Payton Marine has just completed the final major rebuild of both Detroit 6v92 engines; they gleam with pride and growl with authority. All receipts are available for review.

CONTACTS

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