

HAPPY DAYS - SABRE



Builder: [SABRE](#)

LOA: 48' 0" (14.63 m)

Year Built: 2016

Beam: 15' 0" (4.67 m)

Model: 48 Salon Express

Max Draft: 12' 4" (3.75 m)

Price: \$775,000 USD Subject to change.

Cruising Speed: 27 Knots (27 MPH)

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Location: Fort Lauderdale, United States

Max Speed: 34 Knots (34 MPH)

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OVERVIEW

“Happy Days” arrived at a respected Maritime Academy as a recent gift and is now made available on a three year lease with an option to purchase at the conclusion of the term — a lease to own structure that can yield meaningful financial advantages; inquire for program details. Lovingly maintained and appointed for island hopping and extended coastal passages, this luxury motor yacht/express cruiser presents as a turn key vessel, marrying refined appointments with purposeful systems.

On the transom a Freedom Lift hydraulic tender system stows a 2022 Highfield SP330 RIB driven by a 25 hp Yamaha outboard; the tender itself is fitted with a depth finder for safe anchoring and exploration. Fresh upgrades for long range independence include an Aquamiser reverse osmosis watermaker rated at 25 gallons per hour (approximately 600 GPD) with remote helm controls, and a Siren Marine wireless monitoring and security suite that keeps systems and status at your fingertips. Electronics were modernized with a Garmin Phantom 24x solid state radar installed in 2023, and the cockpit convenience was increased by the addition of a 20A 120V weather resistant outlet.

Comfort and aesthetics have been carefully refreshed with new Sunbrella pieces: a forward sunpad and aft deck seating, Sunbrella cushions with protective covers in cockpit and bow (2022), and a replacement Sunbrella cover over the electric SureShade — the SureShade Legacy control box was also renewed in 2024 — while Ocean Aire pleated blinds quiet and soften the salon light. Belowdecks, the crew/day head is practical as well as comfortable, with an integrated shower, and a new icemaker (2023) supports extended days at anchor.

The propulsion and auxiliary systems have been addressed meticulously. In 2022, while entering an inlet at idle, the starboard Zeus pod contacted the bottom and was replaced with a new unit; the port pod was removed,

inspected, and reinstalled by the authorized Cummins/Zeus dealer in Fort Pierce, Florida, and both pod oil coolers were replaced that year. Service work continued through 2023 and 2024: the Cummins port engine raw water pump was replaced in August 2023; the generator raw water pump, exhaust riser, and fuel prime pump were renewed that same month; the Freedom SW3012 inverter/charger was replaced in September 2023; all batteries were replaced across 2023 and 2024; and all zincs were refreshed in late spring 2024. Routine and safety upgrades include three new 28" wiper blades (2/2023), an EPIRB installed in December 2023, and a windlass rigged with 100' of 3/8" G4 grade 43 chain.

Full service records are available, reflecting the vessel's careful stewardship. With pod drive responsiveness, updated electronics, robust mechanical renewals, and thoughtfully selected comforts, "Happy Days" delivers the elegant presence of a sport yacht with the capability and reliability demanded of a cruising yacht — poised and ready for your next passage.

SPECIFICATIONS

Basic Information

Category:
Motor yachts

Year Built:
2016

Sub category:
Cruisers

Country:
United States

Model Year:
2016

Dimensions

LOA:
48' 0" (14.63 m)

Max Draft:
12' 4" (3.75 m)

Beam:
15' 0" (4.67 m)

Speed, Capacities and Weight

Cruise Speed:
27 Knots (27 MPH)

Water Capacity:
160 Gallons

Max Speed:
34 Knots (34 MPH)

Fuel Capacity:
500 Gallons

Accommodations

Total Heads:

1

Crew Cabin:

1

Hull and Deck Information

Hull Material:

Fiberglass and Plastic Yachts

Hull Designer:

Sabre Design Team

Deck Material:

Fiberglass

Interior Designer:

Sabre Design Team

Hull Configuration:

Deep Vee

Engine Information

Engines:

2

Engine Type:

Inboard

Manufacturer:

Cummins

Fuel Type:

Diesel

GALLERY















DETAILED DESCRIPTION

Manufacturer provided description

As an early pioneer of pod-drive systems, Sabre Yachts understands exactly how to harness this revolutionary technology to elevate efficiency, simplify operation, and inspire owner confidence. The all-new Sabre 48 Salon Express is our fifth pod driven model, and she capitalizes on this expertise in both her performance and her interior accommodation plan. Her traditional exterior profile gracefully conceals the contemporary capabilities of her vee hull, allowing a cruise at 27 knots and, at wide open throttle, speeds exceeding 32 knots, while the Zeus pod drive system makes high speed turns as precise and thrilling as those in a fine sports car and delivers a serene cruise at less than 75 dBA, ranking her among the quietest motoryachts available today; joystick handling and the Skyhook position hold system instill every captain with the confidence to dock in the most demanding conditions. A raised cockpit sole unites the social energy of the cockpit with the main salon as the aft bulkhead opens fully to create one continuous living space, where the salon's generous seating invites effortless entertaining or quiet moments with a book and the standard entertainment systems, and underway the raised settee to port of the Stidd helm chair provides the perfect perch for the crew to enjoy the ride while a standard side deck door serves helmsman and crew to great advantage when docking; the two cabin, two head layout is complemented by a mechanical space forward of the engine room that can alternatively be configured as crew quarters with berth and head—exactly as specified aboard "Happy Days."

Hull

The modified deep V planing hull is engineered with pod drive tunnels to

deliver a confident, dry ride and superb efficiency, with deadrise measured at 14° at the transom and 23° amidships to strike an ideal balance between seakeeping and speed; the hull is finished in ISO NPG white gelcoat backed by vinylester resin while the bottom, topsides, and transom employ VIP resin infused, biaxial E glass with a Corecell SAN foam core for strength, stiffness, and weight savings, complemented by a biaxial E glass stringer system with foam core for additional rigidity. The swim platform is VIP resin infused E glass with a molded in anti skid surface and hull side rubbing strakes add protection, while a PVC rub rail with stainless steel cap, a painted urethane double boot top, and a gold recessed cove stripe complete the exterior with understated elegance. The deck and hardtop continue this advanced construction using ISO NPG gelcoat and VIP resin infused biaxial E glass over a balsa core with molded in anti skid deck surfaces for secure footing, and practical access features include a companionway door to port, sliding salon windows along the cabin sides, an electric opening window animating the salon's aft bulkhead, a hinged side deck access door at the helm to simplify docking and line handling, a flush outward opening transom door with latch for effortless boarding, an anchor locker with slam latch on the foredeck, and a cockpit sole that conceals a large lazarette/engine room access hatch with compression latches, while shade is provided by an integrated Sure Shade system over the cockpit. Deck hardware is yacht grade throughout, featuring a 1 1/4" diameter type 316 stainless steel perimeter rail system encircling the deck, six 12" stainless steel cleats—two forward and four amidships—plus one 10" stainless steel cleat to starboard of the windlass for anchor rode tie off, four custom cast stainless steel mid rail line chocks and two custom cast stainless steel skene chocks forward, aft stainless bollard style mooring cleats and two stainless 12" cleats on the cockpit coaming at centerline for easy line handling, a custom stainless steel bow pulpit carrying a dual anchor roller sized for a 44 lb CQR or Delta anchor with a lunch hook, and a Quick electric rope chain windlass for assured

ground tackle handling; finishing touches include a teak flag staff and socket on the taffrail, a burgee staff on the bow pulpit, six low profile stainless steel deck hatches with screens, six custom stainless steel opening port lights, teak toe rails, a teak cabin side eyebrow, a custom cast stainless steel SABRE medallion, and a raw water washdown at the bow. The helm station is purpose built for command, where Cummins DTS single lever electronic controls pair with a Cummins Smart Craft display showing engine data, tank levels, vessel data, and alarms, triple windshield wipers with washers sweep a crystal clear view guided by a Ritchie compass, dedicated switches manage horn, running and anchor lights, the engine room blower, and optional systems, while twin Stidd N Series helm seats in Ultraleather are mounted atop a handsome cherry cabinet.

Deck

The deck is crafted in VIP resin infused laminate with molded in anti skid surfaces and anodized aluminum framed windows, where a helm deck door opens to the starboard side deck and large diameter stainless steel perimeter rails provide secure passage forward; signature hardware such as Herreshoff bow and spring cleats and horn style aft mooring cleats underline classic detailing, low profile stainless steel opening hatches fitted with shades and screens and low profile pilot hatches punctuate the hardtop, a stainless steel anchor roller stands ready on the bow, and in the cockpit an inviting L shaped settee wraps around a folding high gloss table to create alfresco moments underway or at anchor.

Propulsion

Power comes from twin Cummins QSC 8.3 550 hp electronic, fresh water cooled engines mated to Zeus pod drives with integrated steering

and trim to deliver crisp response and superb maneuverability, each engine equipped with a 120 A, 12 V alternator and the installation including two exhaust bypass mufflers, an engine room blower, engineered vent ducts, and a durable FRP anti skid engine room sole; a white gelcoated engine room and a Mylar faced foam noise barrier underscore the yacht's commitment to quiet luxury.

Fuel system

Fuel is housed in two 263 USG diesel tanks to port and starboard, feeding through dual Racor fuel filters with water in fuel probes for added protection, and deck service is via two 2" diesel deck fill plates for convenient refueling.

Mechanical

A suite of mechanical systems elevates performance and comfort, including Cummins QSC 8.3 550 hp engines on pod drives with Cummins electronic controls and a Smart Craft display, a joystick for low speed maneuvering, triple windshield wipers with washers, reverse cycle heat and air conditioning, the Zeus automatic trim tab system, and an anchor windlass with rope/chain gipsy for effortless ground tackle handling.

Steering and trim systems

The CMD helm with joystick delivers fingertip control while trim tabs integrated with the CMD Zeus pod drives optimize running attitude automatically; an autopilot ties seamlessly into the CMD Zeus system and the Skyhook GPS position hold function with a dedicated GPS receiver maintains station with remarkable precision.

Electrical

A 50 A shore power cord with powered cord reel feeds an electrical backbone protected by a galvanic isolator and an illuminated circuit breaker panel at the galley steps; robust 120 V outlets are distributed throughout the interior and engine room with GFI protection in the galley and heads, battery capacity includes two Group 31 AGM dedicated engine start batteries and three Group 4D AGM house batteries, illumination is courtesy of efficient LED overhead and reading lights while a 60 A three bank battery charger maintains all banks, and tinned marine grade wiring is used throughout for longevity.

AC electrical systems

Ship's AC power is anchored by an Onan 13.5 kW generator with an Onan E Series display, a dedicated start battery, a water drop muffler, a cooling water intake strainer, a sound shield, and a transfer switch; shore service is 50 A with a Glendinning Cablemaster and a 70 ft cord, protected by an isolation transformer, while an illuminated main AC distribution panel and a digital AC system monitor simplify oversight, 120 V GFCI protected outlets are installed in each cabin and in the engine room, a 50 A three bank battery charger supports onboard systems, and reverse cycle heat/air conditioning is zoned into three zones for personalized climate control.

12 volt DC electrical system

The DC architecture features two AGM Group 31 dedicated engine start batteries, three AGM 4D deep cycle ship's service batteries, and one AGM Group 24 generator start battery, with remote control battery switches conveniently located at the helm and a manual emergency battery crossover switch for redundancy; an illuminated main DC distribution panel and a digital

battery monitor keep the system transparent and under control.

Salon / helm deck

Command and conviviality meet on the helm deck, where two Stidd N Series helm chairs sit proudly on a raised box facing a sweeping forward view; to starboard an inviting L shaped settee with five inch foam cushions conceals storage and a Sabre tool drawer beneath and serves a high gloss table on a hi low pedestal with an angled slide mechanism that lowers to coffee table height, while to port an entertainment unit houses a 32" flat screen LCD TV on a lift with a DVD player and a raised mate's L shaped settee beside the helm gives the crew a thrilling perch underway. A stainless steel door opens to the cockpit and the window aft of the L settee operates electrically to welcome sea air, at the helm a swing door leads directly to the starboard side deck and forward of the L settee a deep chart table supports serious navigation with proper fiddles at the nav station. Décor is richly yachting with a varnished cherry interior finish, screens on all opening ports, Ocean Air screens and blinds on deck hatches and Ocean Air pleated blinds on side windows and the side door, drapes softening the aft curved windows, and dovetailed varnished maple drawer boxes that speak to Sabre's craftsmanship.

Galley

The galley is both refined and practical, featuring a solid surface countertop and a stainless steel undermount sink with cover and pull out faucet complemented by a stainless steel undermount prep sink with its own cover and a convenient soap dispenser; cold storage is provided by an Isotherm stainless steel stand up refrigerator (top) and freezer, cooking is handled by a two burner electric cooktop and a stainless faced convection microwave, and thoughtful storage abounds in drawers and lockers beneath the counter along

with a built-in waste basket and a recycle bin tucked neatly below the steps.

Lighting

A considered lighting plan heightens ambiance and function, with St. Maarten amber cabin reading lights setting a warm tone while high-output LED fixtures illuminate the overhead, LED strip lighting thoughtfully placed where needed and bright efficient LED lighting in the engine room, tri-color lights—red, white, blue—over the helm support safe night operations, cockpit courtesy lights enhance evening elegance, marine-grade tinned wire ensures reliability throughout, and convenient 12 VDC USB chargers are placed at the helm and in all cabins.

Master stateroom amidships

Amidships the master sanctuary features a spacious island berth laid athwartships with handsome laminated trim, a hull-side deadlight above the headboard to admit a soft wash of daylight, Shoji-style passageway and closet doors along with Shoji-style portlight screen panels and cherry hull coverings to create a serene, refined atmosphere, abundant storage with drawers beneath the berth and in the aft bulkhead plus two hanging lockers—one forward and one aft of the bed—entertainment via an LED flat-screen TV and DVD player, a classic teak and holly sole, sound-deadening soft headliner panels for quiet, and a pocket door leading to the private master head. The master head offers private access and elevated finishes with custom tile on the WC and shower sole, a glass vessel sink atop a solid cherry counter finished to a high gloss with a vanity cabinet below and additional outboard storage, a cherry-framed mirror, a separate shower stall with a clear bi-fold enclosure and a glass tile accent wall, an electric shower sump pump for drainage, natural light and airflow from an opening port to the side deck and an

overhead deck hatch with blind/screen, plus a ventilation blower and stainless steel towel bars.

Guest stateroom

The guest stateroom welcomes with a spacious island berth trimmed in laminated accents and cherry hull coverings, practical drawers beneath the berth and an A/C return grille beside, thoughtfully arranged storage lockers, drawers and shelves, a teak and holly sole, soft sound deadening headliner panels for quiet, a pocket door opening to the passageway, and private access to the forward head and shower. The guest head features a stainless steel undermount sink anchoring a refined space, a shower stall with a comfortable seat and an outboard locker, hot and cold pressure water on demand with an electric shower sump pump for tidy drainage, storage lockers, a solid surface vanity top with an elegant bullnose, towel bars, a soap dispenser, a cherry trimmed mirror over the sink, and a ventilation blower to complete the thoughtful ensemble.

Crew cabin utility space

To port in the salon the settee smartly slides inboard to reveal the crew cabin, where a double berth lies to starboard and a head with wash basin provides welcome independence, and this area also serves as a hardworking utility room complete with side by side washer and dryer and additional storage to keep extended cruising efficient and uncluttered.

Plumbing

Fresh water is carried in a polyethylene 160 USG tank warmed by a 20 USG stainless steel hot water tank, the galley features a stainless sink and the

heads are fitted with refined vessel sinks, fresh water flush MSDs connect to a holding tank with macerator and the head's separate shower stall boasts a tempered glass door. Solid surface countertops elevate both galley and head spaces, all below waterline fittings are secured with Marelon seacocks, and three bilge pumps with high water alarms provide crucial peace of mind.

Fresh water system

Self sufficiency is enhanced by an Aquamiser reverse osmosis watermaker producing 25 gallons per hour, total water capacity is 160 gallons, hot water is supplied by a stainless steel 20 gal water heater operating on 110 VAC or via engine heat with a temperature control valve on the hot water supply, a 12 V hot and cold pressure water system serves all fixtures complemented by a fresh water spigot in the engine room and a hot and cold transom shower, and a shore water inlet with filter completes the system.

Waste disposal

Waste is managed by a polyethylene holding tank with a 70 gallon capacity, the guest head is equipped with a Jabsco Quiet Flush fresh water MSD while the master head features a Tecma Eco MSD, and a diaphragm waste pump services the holding tank for reliable discharge where permitted.

Safety

Safety is woven throughout: a single Kahlenberg chrome trumpet horn with compressor announces your presence, fire extinguishers are placed strategically, all below waterline through hulls are fitted with Marelon sea valves, and a comprehensive bonding system safeguards against galvanic corrosion; in the engine space an automatic fire extinguishing discharge

system with override stands vigilant, and three automatic 12 V electric bilge pumps work in concert with three high water switches and an alarm to deliver layered protection.

Factory options

This yacht is distinguished by a Sabre White hull color accented with a Flag Blue boot stripe and a gold cove stripe, a beige anti-skid color on the fore, side, aft, and recessed swim decks, fresh water washdown and a searchlight on the mast, an FRP molded mast and a separate radar platform and resonant Kahlenberg air horns, and comfort touches such as a hot and cold transom shower, a removable hinged platform above the ship's battery boxes for added storage, and a fresh water spigot in the engine room. Serviceability is elevated by a Reverso oil exchange system, water quality rises with Seagull purifiers on the galley cold water line plumbed to a separate spigot and on the icemaker inlet, housekeeping is effortless via a Beam central vac system with two outlets and a 32 ft expandable hose, galley details include a flat bottom locker under the cooktop and additional cherry cabinetry refinements, custom color Ocean Air blinds in Pebbles Ivory adorn the salon, an electric sunroof with sunscreen replaces two standard hatches to bathe the helm deck in light, Accord shades grace all opening port lights, entertainment includes a Fusion marine stereo in the salon, SAT TV, and dual 16" Garmin displays at the lower helm, the crew cabin features Sailcloth Seagull Sunbrella fabric on the mattress, separate Ariston washer and separate Ariston dryer and its own head for true autonomy, Corian selections include Sandalwood in the galley and Sandalwood in the guest head, master wall tile and master head sole tile are in Smokey Biscuit, and conveniences continue with an icemaker in the salon under the helm chair, an electric telescoping cockpit Sure Shade, an electric up down window in the aft cockpit, and an inverter to support silent shipboard living.

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