

EMPIRE - CANTIERE DELLE MARCHE



Builder: [Cantiere delle Marche](#)

LOA: 85' 0" (26.10 m)

Year Built: 2024

Beam: 24' 0" (7.43 m)

Model: Darwin Class 86

Max Draft: 8' 2" (2.48 m)

Price: \$11,995,000 USD Subject to change.

Cruising Speed: 8.50 Knots (9.78 MPH)

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Location: Portland, United States

Max Speed: 11.60 Knots (13.35 MPH)

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OVERVIEW

Empire, born of Hydro Tec's celebrated Darwin lineage and shaped by Cantiere delle Marche's distinctive engineering sensibility, is a testament to exceptional naval craftsmanship and resolute build quality. Imbued with the spirit of a true explorer, she is configured for long-range bluewater cruising and high-latitude forays, her hull carrying an ice-strengthened belt at the waterline with reinforced shell plating and rudders designed to negotiate brash-ice passages. At the owner's request, select sections of the hull are constructed from ballistic-grade steel, a rare yet purposeful reinforcement that underscores her vocation to roam the most remote and demanding seas. To aid in sustained operations, a fourth helm station is discreetly placed within the engine room, offering direct control when circumstances demand.

Inside, Alessandro Massari's interiors answer the owner's brief with a language of quiet, measured luxury. Warm, embracing tones and bespoke furnishings are complemented by curated pieces from Poltrona Frau and Poliform, creating a refined atmosphere that is both intimate and functional. The full-beam owner's suite occupies the amidships Lower deck for maximum serenity and stabilization, bookended by two twin cabins, each equipped with a Pullman berth to increase flexibility for guests or family. Forward on the Lower deck a secluded VIP suite affords private accommodation, an elegant retreat within this luxury motor yacht.

The Main deck is conceived as the vessel's social heart, where interior and alfresco living flow together to create effortless hospitality. Indoor lounges open to alfresco seating and elegant dining areas, while an intimate bar offers a focal point for convivial evenings. A service-ready galley supports seamless provisioning and service, perfectly suited to Empire's role as a compact superyacht and long-range displacement passagemaker.

Forward on the Main deck, crew quarters for four are thoughtfully arranged

with a generous crew mess for comfortable downtime; a private staircase connects this area directly to the Upper deck wheelhouse, streamlining movement and communication between crew and bridge. The Upper deck itself provides wellness and relaxation with a well appointed gym for fitness minded guests and a comfortable lounge that spills onto a fully furnished aft terrace, promoting the easy indoor-outdoor life prized on extended voyages. The bridge is equipped with Böning integrated monitoring and control systems, giving captain and crew intuitive command of the yacht's systems and navigation.

Above, the Sun deck offers open-air leisure with freestanding lounges and expansive sunpads, an ideal vantage for panoramic views and quiet contemplation. Measuring 26.30 meters, Empire balances rugged capability with refined comfort. Propulsion comes from twin Scania diesel engines delivering 294 kW each, supported by three Northern Lights generators that provide a combined 155 kW of auxiliary power. A sodium-lithium chloride battery bank enhances electrical efficiency, while an advanced anti intrusion suite bolsters security for peace of mind. Purpose built as a steel displacement explorer yacht, Empire is engineered to travel farther and remain at sea longer, doing so with an effortless elegance befitting her pedigree.

SPECIFICATIONS

Basic Information

Category:
Motor yachts

Year Built:
2024

Sub category:
Expedition Yachts

Country:
United States

Model Year:
2024

Dimensions

LOA:
85' 0" (26.10 m)

Max Draft:
8' 2" (2.48 m)

Beam:
24' 0" (7.43 m)

Speed, Capacities and Weight

Cruise Speed:
8.50 Knots (9.78 MPH)

Water Capacity:
871.77 Gallons

Max Speed:
11.60 Knots (13.35 MPH)

Fuel Capacity:
9510.19 Gallons

Gross Tonnage:
199 Pounds

Accommodations

Sleeps:
10

Crew Cabin:
3

Total Heads:
5

Hull and Deck Information

Hull Material:
Steel Yachts

Hull Designer:
Hydro Tec

Deck Material:
Steel

Interior Designer:
Alessandro Massari

Hull Configuration:
Full Displacement

Engine Information

Engines:

2

Engine Type:

Inboard

Manufacturer:

Scania

Fuel Type:

Diesel

GALLERY





















DETAILED DESCRIPTION

Darwin class 86 “Empire” – the ultimate 26m explorer by Cantiere delle Marche

M/Y Empire is a 26.3-metre Darwin Class 86 built by Cantiere delle Marche and designed by Hydro Tec, representing the pinnacle of CdM’s explorer yacht philosophy, where robust engineering and refined Italian style converge with genuine long-range autonomy for owners who demand comfort, safety and reliability in every sea and season. Built on a reinforced AH36 steel hull and specified with an ice belt and bulletproof plating at the owner’s request, Empire is engineered to roam high-latitude waters and remote destinations with total confidence, its twin Scania engines, three Northern Lights generators, SeaTorque shaft system and ABT-TRAC stabilizers combining to deliver smooth, quiet operation and exceptional efficiency underway. Every detail has been tailored for independence and protection, from a citadel in the engine room, a fourth pilot station and an independent radio post to a GOST anti-intrusion system that safeguards the vessel around the clock, while a 180 kWh battery pack enables silent, generator-free nights at anchor, enhancing comfort and discretion off the grid. Inside, Alessandro Massari composes an ambiance of understated elegance in warm tones with bespoke furnishings and curated accents by Poltrona Frau and Poliform, the full-beam owner’s suite complemented by a forward VIP cabin and two twin guest cabins with Pullman berths to accommodate up to ten guests, while crew quarters for four are positioned forward on the main deck to ensure excellent privacy and seamless service. Generous social areas invite life on board to unfold with effortless flow as the main deck presents a bright salon and dining area that extend to a spacious aft cockpit, the upper deck hosts a panoramic gym and lounge opening onto a furnished terrace, and above, the sun deck shaded by a

carbon-fibre hardtop provides abundant space for relaxation and open-air enjoyment. Delivered in 2024 and maintained in immaculate condition, Empire presents a rare opportunity to acquire a nearly new, fully equipped explorer yacht from one of the world's most respected builders.

CONTACTS

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