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For those who demand the best.

Viking 43 Open

A True Thoroughbred

You may take the 43's stability and smooth ride for granted, but you'll always thrill to its stunning speed and crisp handling. The centerline helm offers incomparable visibility and all-around control of the yacht from the raised bridgedeck. Backing down on a prize fish or easing into a tight slip, the 43 responds beautifully to helm and engine commands. It all adds up to the 43 being the peerless, best-in-class performer.

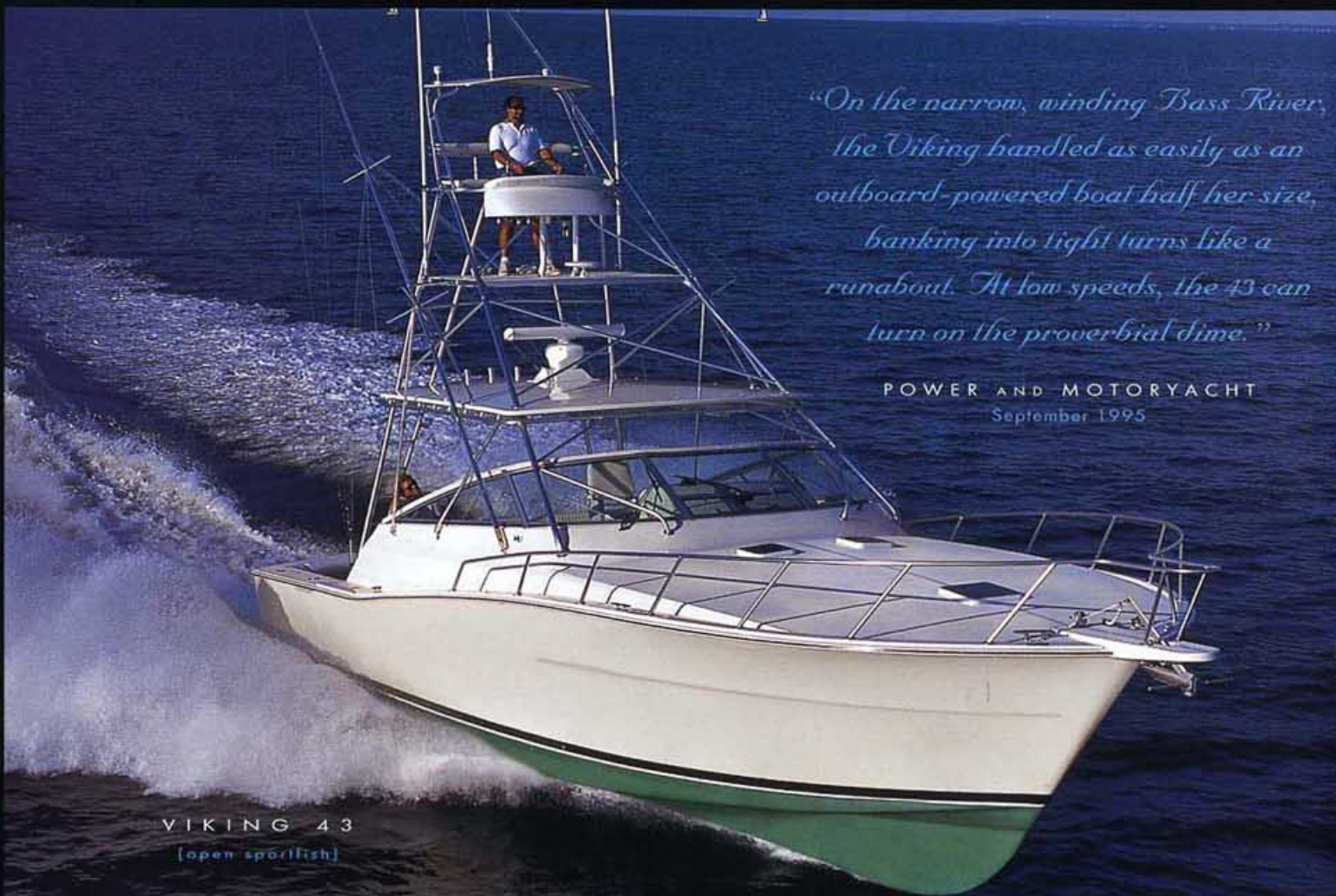
The Luxury of Choice

Whether you fish the tournaments or cruise to faraway islands, Viking offers you the luxury of choice. The hard-core Sportfish has the same tournament-tuned cockpit, raw speed and fishability as our renowned convertibles. For serious cruising, the Express Yacht has an available L-shaped cockpit seat, extended swim platform, radar arch and hardtop.

Fishing for Compliments

To the veteran angler, the 43's one-piece, uncluttered 113 sq. ft. cockpit is testimony to Viking's long experience building tournament winning sportfishing boats. The grippy molded nonskid, wide sidedecks and high cockpit coamings are designed with safety foremost in mind.

A long equipment list includes a top-loading freezer, tackle cabinet with bait prep center, walk-in engine room access and shore power cable handling system. There's also a marlin-sized removable (and optionally refrigerated) fishbox and available circulating baitwell.



"On the narrow, winding Bass River, the Viking handled as easily as an outboard-powered boat half her size, banking into tight turns like a runabout. At low speeds, the 43 can turn on the proverbial dime."

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[open sportfish]

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Getting it Right the First Time

For Viking, this meant raising the bridgedeck eight inches to give the captain a clear 360-degree view at any speed. Headroom in the engine room also increased, making an already accommodating space seem like an extravagance. A centerline helm design was selected for its inherently superior visibility, while also allowing optimum use of the salon by moving the companionway to starboard. A sturdy and attractive (that's function and form) aluminum and tempered glass windshield with opening vent window offers excellent protection from the elements without getting in the way of your seeing the next buoy.

After making dozens of other fussy changes, the perfectionists at Viking were ready to roll. And roll they did, with the Viking 43 Open soon hailed as the industry leader in its class.

Why an Open Boat?

Viking refined the Open Express design to create an ingeniously fun and functional layout. The helm is just steps from the cockpit, so the captain can double as a mate when fishing short handed. With the salon, cockpit and foredeck just steps apart, two people will find the yacht easy to handle and simple to maintain.

Details, Details

Available with a hardtop and full enclosure, the 43 Open's bridgedeck features lounge seating for ten (with rod storage below) so the skipper can always have plenty of company at sea. Climate control is also available to encourage extended-season cruising. On the Express model, the available extended swim platform makes for easy boarding while serving as the perfect staging area for water sports.



"The Viking 43 Open is a cruiser that's built not only for the good times, but for the tough times as well."

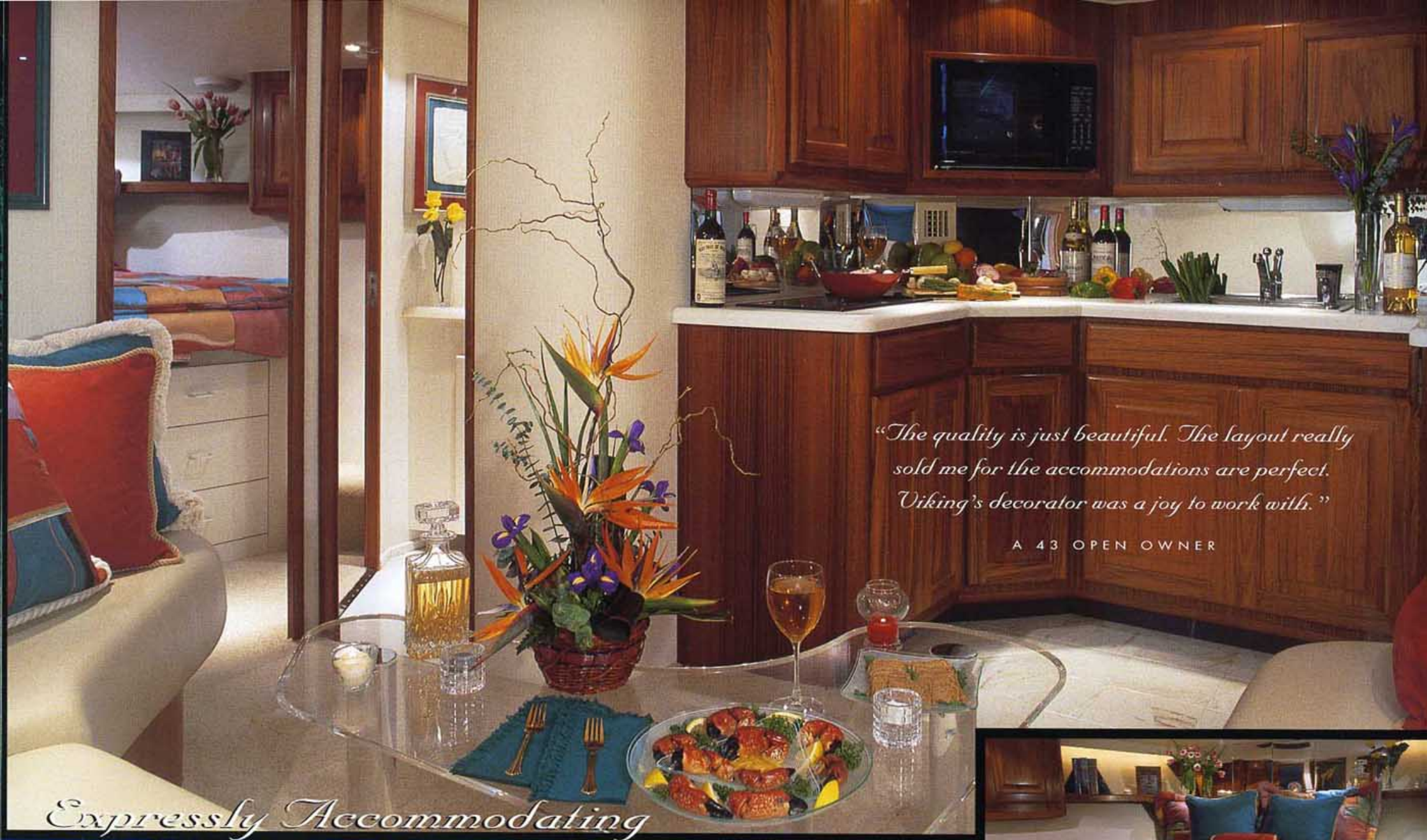
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43' OPEN SPECIFICATIONS

Length, overall (L.O.A.)	43 ft. 0 in. (13.1 m.)
Beam	15 ft. 3 in. (4.7 m.)
Draft	4 ft. 3 in. (1.3 m.)
Height above waterline	20 ft. 4 in. (6.20 m.)
Gross Weight approx.	34,500 lbs. (15,663 kg.)
Fuel capacity	600 gal. (2,271 l.)
Water capacity	115 gal. (435 l.)
Cockpit size	113 sq.ft. (10.5 m ²)



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[open express]



"The quality is just beautiful. The layout really sold me for the accommodations are perfect. Viking's decorator was a joy to work with."

A 43 OPEN OWNER

Expressly Accommodating

The luxury of choice extends to the accommodations with either a one- or two-stateroom layout available. Naturally, both models feature the trademark exquisite joiner work and luxurious amenities you'd expect of a Viking. The salon's huge wrap-around settee (with rod storage below) converts to a double bed. Opposite is a fully equipped galley with electric range, garbage disposal, a microwave-convection oven, refrigerator and tile sole.

The private master stateroom forward features an island queen-size bed, cedar-lined hanging locker and en suite head access. The head has a separate stall shower, electric toilet and ample storage.



[optional salon]



Inside, You Decide

With the available two-stateroom layout, the galley is relocated to port forward of the lounge and a twin-berth guest stateroom takes the galley's place to starboard. Air conditioning with reverse cycle heating is standard with separate zones in the salon and in the forward master stateroom. Viking's exclusive in-house decorator is available to help owners realize the yacht of their dreams with a selection of designer fabrics and accessories.

"The interior was outfitted in a style that would suit Ralph Lauren."

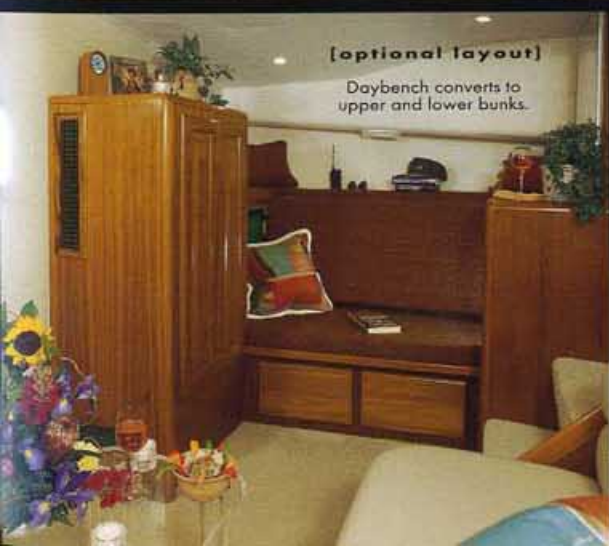
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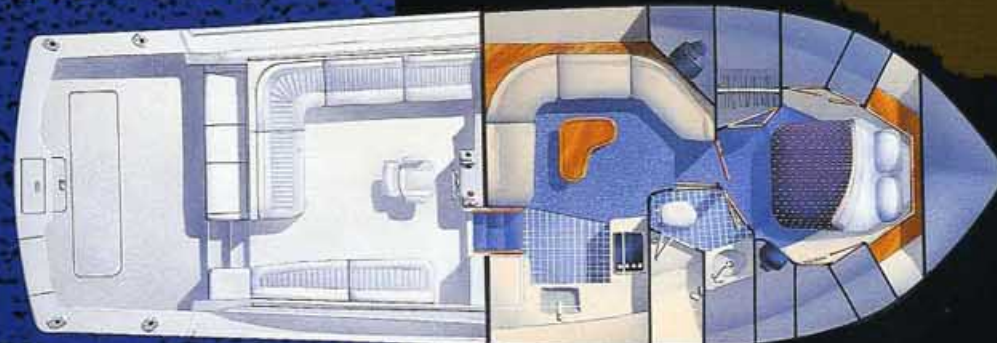
[optional two-stateroom layout]

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Daybench converts to upper and lower bunks.



"As Viking's exclusive in-house interior designer for over 20 years, Susan Lockhart Karns has helped make Viking a clear leader in interior design, fashion and decor."



They Still Build Them like They Used to

(Only Better)

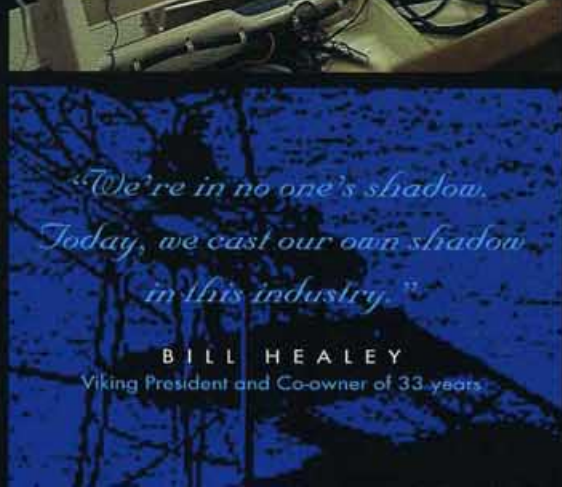
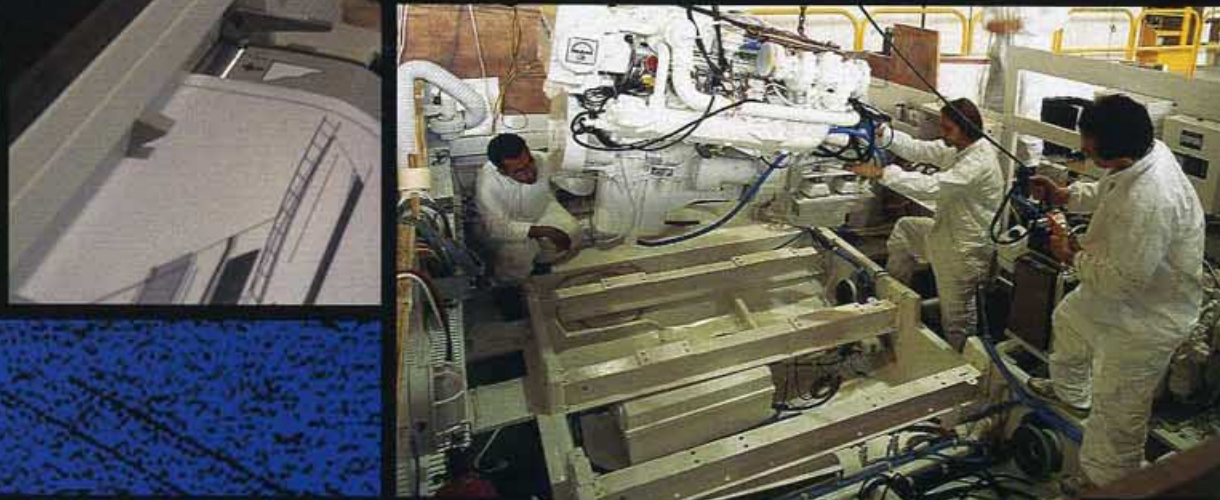
Having built over 3,400 yachts over the last three decades, Viking has unrivaled experience in every facet of yacht construction. Using the latest computer-aided design and construction technology, 90% of what goes into each yacht is made in-house right here at Viking for the ultimate in quality control.

State-of-the-art composite construction blends great strength with significant weight savings for superior stability and performance. Structurally, the boat consists of just two major fiberglass components - the hull, and the one-piece deck-superstructure - which extend from the bow pulpit to the cockpit liner.

World-Class Engine Room

Viking's structural steel engine beds are mounted on low intermediate bulkheads, evenly transmitting their weight and thrust to the hull while placing the engines lower for improved stability and decreased shaft angles. They also help maintain drive train alignment while providing excellent maintenance access to the bottoms and sides of the engines.

Shrouded wiring and aircraft-type fuel lines are inconspicuously routed while level floors make comfortable working surfaces. Incredibly durable powder-coated metal surfaces help ensure a long and maintenance-free life. Automatic fire protection systems and engine cooling system Y-valves for emergency de-watering are just two of the yacht's safety features.



*"We're in no one's shadow.
Today, we cast our own shadow
in this industry."*

BILL HEALEY
Viking President and Co-owner of 33 years

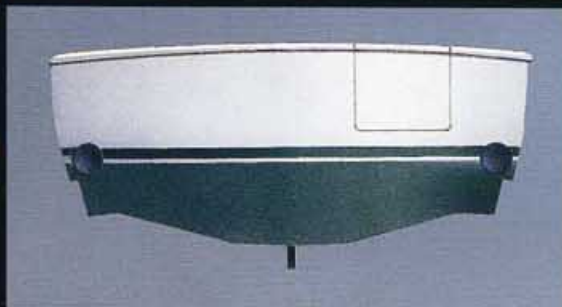


Rudy Dalinger, R & D Manager

Bill Healey,
President and
Design Team Director

"The engine room glows white and is magnificent in its simplicity; maintaining it is as easy as eating a dozen shucked clams."

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Viking Engineering the Industry Benchmark

Viking keeps the peace (and quiet) by putting all noise generating machinery inside the acoustically isolated, ship-like and brightly lit engine room. With centerline walk-in cockpit access, this is the heart of a Viking—and it shows in uncompromising attention to detail. Quite understandably, our major competitors point to Viking engineering as the industry benchmark.

Keeping on Track

Pure Viking by design, the 43' Open's time-tested convertible hull form guarantees breathtaking performance and superb sea-keeping ability with a smooth riding, dry and stable hull. A well balanced hull form lets the 43' Open slice through head seas while tracking as if on hidden rails with seas abaft the beam.

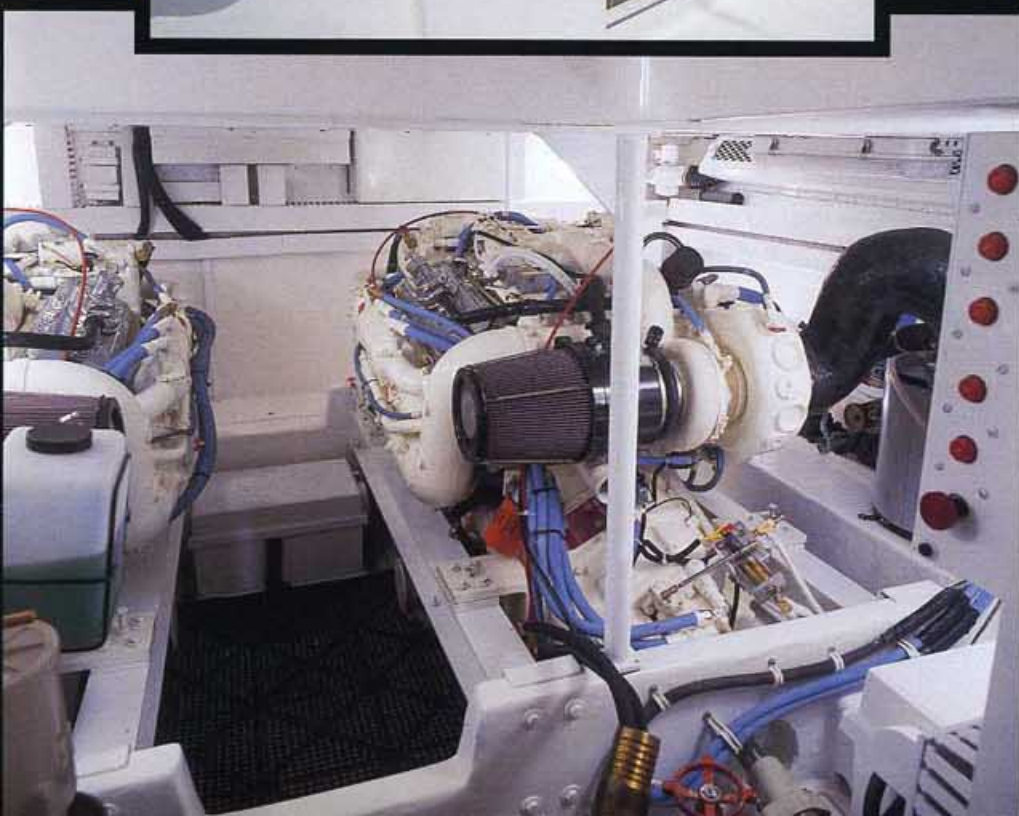
With a superior hull design and moderate weight construction, achieving peak performance is assured by an extensive sea trial program which results in the use of the best possible drive train components.

Apples to Apples

*Marlin** magazine reviewed the four leading 43-foot open yachts, all powered with the same engines. The Viking 43 had an incredible 18 to 34% greater range and significantly higher top-end and cruising speeds than its competitors. Viking also offered the best value with the lowest fully-equipped price of the four yachts. *Marlin* pointed out that Viking's centerline helm allows improved forward visibility, excellent bridgedeck seating and a more logical use of salon space. Finally, *Marlin* concluded that Viking's cabinetry, joinery and overall level of fit-and-finish was superior. *September 1996

"The fiberglass mold work is absolutely flawless with radiused corners and lines that seem closer to sculpture than hard-working boat design."

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Take a Close Look

That all this unmatched quality pays off in the form of high resale values and low insurance rates for Viking owners will probably come as no surprise. Experience a 43 Sportfish or Express Yacht for yourself at your Viking dealer. To see how Viking puts it all together, you are cordially invited to visit our 400,000 sq. ft. plant in New Gretna, NJ. View our world-class yachts at any stage of construction and then take a test ride. You'll witness what makes a Viking the finest yacht you can buy from any builder in the world.

VIKING YACHTS.

The clear choice for discerning yachtsmen.

"No matter how you look at her, the 43 Open is a top-quality sportfisherman with a fit and finish to match. This is one terrific boat."

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"The handling is unbelievable - the boat is as agile as a sports car, fantastic, really for a boat this size, and visibility is great. And the boat has a phenomenal ride."

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