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Valhalla 46 Sport Yacht Wins Best of Show

Second consecutive Fort Lauderdale victory for Viking's Valhalla Sport Yacht line

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (Oct. 30, 2026) – The Valhalla 46 Sport Yacht won the FOX Sports Best of Show award for boats under 60 feet at the Fort Lauderdale International Boat Show on Thursday, giving Viking Yacht Company's Valhalla Sport Yacht line its second consecutive victory. The 55 Sport Yacht won the same category in 2025.

"This is a great honor for our team," said Viking President and CEO Patrick J. Healey. "We have an incredible group of boatbuilders in New Jersey. From design and engineering to the people who build these boats every day, everyone played a part. I'm proud of what they've accomplished. That's what building a better boat every day means."

Healey walked the judges through the new 46 Sport Yacht on Thursday, discussing its construction, performance and versatility. He called it the "Bahama Express," a boat suited to day trips to the Bahamas in air-conditioned comfort. Powered side doors, a full-width retractable aft window and a sunroof let owners open the enclosed pilothouse to the outdoors.

The 46-foot, 7-inch Sport Yacht is powered by triple Mercury V12 600-hp outboards and has a reported top speed of 60 mph. Its two-stateroom interior includes a forward queen berth, twin guest berths, a galley and a head with a separate shower. A summer kitchen, U-shaped cockpit lounge and powered balcony doors provide outdoor seating and access to the water.

Hull No. 1 was built at Viking Mullica in New Jersey with tooling developed at Viking's New Gretna facility. The boat uses a Michael Peters-designed double-stepped running surface. Enclosed and open-pilothouse configurations and a Sportfish Edition are offered.

FOX Sports is producing a television special featuring the show and the Best of Show awards. Watch Viking Yachts and Valhalla Boatworks on social media for broadcast information and more coverage from Fort Lauderdale.

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