

Cranchi Trawler 50

We thought we'd see a flock of pigs fly past the window of *MBY Towers* before we saw Cranchi produce a trawler. Cranchis are sleek, curvaceous boats with mirrored glass galore and more sunbathing space than a Costa del Sol poolside. Not this one, Cranchi has woken up and smelled the economy.

It uses IPS600, which should be good for 22 knots flat out and an economical cruising speed of anywhere between 14-18 knots. Cranchi wants this to be a long-distance cruising machine so there'll be a light and strong construction with the option of solar panels to aid the running of on-board

systems. The yard also wants the boat to be easy to handle (hence IPS) and comfortable in big seas, and to this end there is the option to install a Seakeeper gyroscopic stabiliser.

The flybridge benefits from the trawler blueprint and the large overhang that comes with it. There's a raft of seating towards the stern and dedicated sunbathing space forward of the helm – this is a Cranchi remember. Other renderings show the seating

slightly further forward and a tower aft to install radar scanner and satellite TV.

The side door adjacent to the helm, walkaround side decks and small table and sofa on the bow are all great details and make for a practical boat.

In the saloon that wraparound windscreen and tall panes of glass either side should mean great views out and, of course, lots of light. The same can be said for the full-beam master cabin which gets hull glazing plus

opening ports on either side. We reckon the three-cabin version with its VIP forward and twin guest room to port will be the most popular but there is a four-cabin variant available too.

It's great to see Cranchi busting out of its comfort zone and delivering *Bénéteau* a real competitor for the market-hogging *Swift Trawler 50*. Let battle commence.

Contact See Cranchi website for dealers. Web: www.cranchi.it

HIGHLIGHTS

- IPS600 engines
- Three or four cabins
- Efficient cruising



AT A GLANCE

Length 49ft 2in (15m)
Beam 16ft 4in (5m)
Engines IPS600 (435hp)
Top speed 22 knots
Price from tba

Windy SR26

Those wizards at EYOS Tenders have worked their magic once again and, in conjunction with Windy, churned out this new superyacht tender, the SR26. It bears a passing resemblance to the stunning SR52 Blackbird (*MBY* December 2010), especially in the red and black livery of Barcelona's Port Vell, where the pictured model is destined.

The fun stuff includes a single Yanmar 260hp diesel connected to a sterndrive leg, which should easily see

the SR26 up to a top speed of 44 knots. The tender job role means that the deck layout is designed for seating lots of people but sensibly the seats fold flat in places so that you have a bit of lounging space, and a smart teak table slots into the space between the seating at the bow.

The *Thunderbirds* moment comes when you want to stow the SR26 in your tender garage and the helm folds completely flat at the touch of a button.

Yes it's a tender design but with Windy pedigree in its veins it will make for a very fun and capable dayboat too.

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AT A GLANCE

Length 26ft 6in (8.1m) **Beam** 8ft (2.45m) **Engines** Single Yanmar 260hp diesel **Top speed** 44 knots
Price from €185,000 ex VAT

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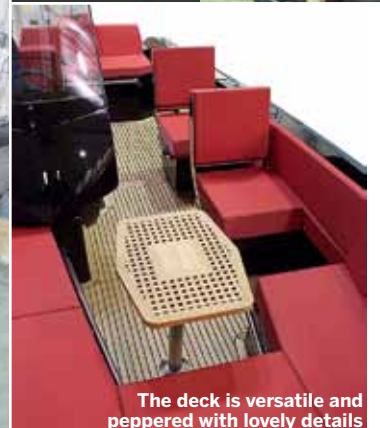
- Single 260hp sterndrive
- Folding helm console
- Fast and fun



A switch on the helm lowers the console in a matter of seconds



Even in a dusty boat shed the SR26 looks fabulous



The deck is versatile and peppered with lovely details