

ITACATAMARANS

The brand-new Italian catamaran being offered by Itacatamarans has just been launched, and the first seatrials have just begun. The boat will be presented for its world premiere at the Cannes Boat Show (see our dossier in this edition of Multihulls World), and there is no doubt that it will be one of the boats not to be missed. We must say that the Ita 14.99 succeeds in combining the excellence of Italian-style design, the purity of the lines and the associated performance, without for all that forgetting the comfort essential for today's cruisers!

The builder has just started production of the number 2 in the series and now has a representative in France: Philippe Chevallier's Blue Touch.

For more information: www.itacatamarans.com

XQUISITE YACHTS



We approved of the Xquisite X5 when we tested it, a little under two years ago now. The builder's sales results demonstrate that we hadn't exaggerated, because to date the order book is well-filled, as nine examples of the X5 have been sold and five have already been delivered to their owners – the others are currently under construction.

The South African builder is nonetheless continuing its development, with a Power Catamaran currently being developed, the first example of which has already been sold. Construction will begin at the end of the year, for a launch in 2020.

Information: www.xquisiteyachts.com

O YACHT CLASS 6



The brand-new catamaran designed by O Yacht has just been launched at the yard, and has immediately shown impressive potential. The weight specification has been perfectly respected, as the boat weighs 13.5 tonnes unladen, which is rather flattering for an 18.5-metre catamaran! On the water, the O Yacht Class 6 slips along gently, and should quickly show speed potential worthy of the best. To be continued... The number 1 in the series is on the way to Canet en Roussillon, where the accommodation specific to its program will be fitted. It should then be exhibited to the public at the Multihull Boat Show at La Grande Motte, in April 2019, before its owners set off on a long voyage around the world. In the meantime, it can be seen and even tested in the south of France, by asking the builder. The number 2 is well advanced, as it will be decked in the coming weeks.

For more information: www.o-yachts.com

Raku 32

Raku is a catamaran which its designer, Tony Grainger, hopes will become the boat to break down the barriers between the cruiser and the (very) fast catamaran day boat. A very tempting program! The Raku 32 offers 1.6 m headroom under the coachroof and 1.80 in the hulls, as well as potentially 2 queen-sized beds and 2 or even 4 singles... A galley, a chart table and a real bathroom complete the accommodation, which will really allow you to live aboard. Grainger design has worked with two major composite construction players, to offer Raku 32 kits, which can be delivered anywhere in the world...

For more information: www.graingerdesigns.net

