LIVINGON CLOUD9

Among world premieres at the 2021 Monaco Yacht Show, the 62Steel is Sanlorenzo's second-biggest model, distinguished by an aft infinity pool, three-sided beach club and a stunning owner's deck with an expansive bedroom facing a private pool and sunbathing area.

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The 62Steel features a stunning series of open aft decks from the beach club to the main-deck pool, owner's deck and bridge deck

he numbers are impressive: 61.5m LOA, 11.8m beam, 1.300GT volume and five decks if you count the tank deck. Cabins for 12 guests and accommodation for a generously sized crew of 13 or 14. That all adds up to plenty of space to give Cloud 9, the first Sanlorenzo 62Steel, real nirvana potential.

The exterior lines were designed by Sanlorenzo's technical and style departments. With long continuous panes of dark glass that contrast elegantly with the white steel hull, the yacht is slender and elegant with a hard chine at the bow to deflect water from the foredeck.

Boarding Cloud 9 feels like walking into a garden on a sunny day. The spaces are vast, open and welcoming. On the main deck, an infinity pool with large lateral sun pads beckons and after a dip you could sit under the cabana, shaded by linen curtains that sway in the breeze.

The indoor and outdoor spaces are so well integrated you almost don't realise that what looks like a cabana is partly the main deck's aft cockpit and partly the entrance to the main saloon, in this case

set up with a long dining table so guests can enjoy the breeze and a meal at the same time.

Symmetrical staircases lead down from the sun pads to the beach club. Sometimes beach clubs can feel like an afterthought, enjoyable once you get to them, but a bit cut off from the rest of the yacht. Not so aboard Cloud 9, where the stern sections of the lower and main decks are connected both physically and visually, so they feel like one continuous space.

Even the bottom of the pool on the main deck is glass, so it acts as a skylight and gives the beach club beneath it a kind of underthe-sea sensation. As if that wasn't enough, this already large yacht has a transom and side platforms that open to add an extra 40sqm of space on the water. There's room for a crowd.

And this beach club doesn't have to do double duty as a tender garage because there are symmetrical garages midships with their own side-opening hull doors that house a 9m tender, a service tender and toys such as jetskis. With a bar, fitness equipment and a hammam, this beach club is close to sybaritic perfection.



Special features and attractions in the beach club include waterside balconies (left), a hammam (right), a bar and a fitness area



The swimming pool on the aft end of the main deck has an infinity view and a glass bottom, plus sunbathing areas either side

ENTERING A NEW WORLD

Back on the main deck, the dining area at the entrance is subtly divided from the rest of the saloon by a glass wall embedded with by the specialised artisans at Yachtline. The designers also created a unique metal mesh to give it visual appeal. Silvery grey surfaces niches and shelves for displaying artwork and other collections. shimmer while the colour palette is neutral and never jarring, played Proceeding fore on the main deck past the comfortable main out in luxurious natural materials like grey oak, macassar ebony and living area, you arrive at the lobby where a staircase winds around an elevator that leads to all five decks. pale Jerusalem limestone.

"Creating the interior design was an exciting process," says Francesco Paszkowski whose studio penned the interiors in collaboration with Margherita Casprini. "Our long-standing collaboration with Sanlorenzo allowed us to create interiors with a distinctly contemporary feel."



The beach club is distinguished by drop-down platforms on three sides that ensure guests have multiple places to sit and relax by the water's edge and jump in at their leisure

While many pieces of loose furniture are by top Italian furniture manufacturers such as Minotti, other pieces were made to measure

Fore on the main deck are six en-suite guest cabins, one of which can do double duty as a massage room. All the guest cabins are fitted with soft and luxurious materials and have carefully crafted details such headboards in suede and walls covered in silk velvet.



The introduction to the interior by Francesco Paszkowski, the main saloon is elegantly designed and welcomes guests from the aft deck and swimming pool area

OWNER'S PARADISE

Everybody is well provided for aboard *Cloud 9*, but the owners are even more so. A generous half of the upper deck, over 200sqm, is for the couple's private suite. The apartment starts with a large living area followed by a study.

The original owners (the boat has since been listed for sale) tailored the layout to meet their different needs: she chose to have a proper dressing room and a bathtub in her large bathroom. He chose a more conventional closet and was happy with a smaller bathroom with just a shower.

While a couple can go their own separate ways getting dressed and ready, they converge again in the cabin area proper where a centrally placed bed is backed by a glass partition wall.

The full-beam sleeping area is lit by a large skylight over the bed and looks out over the vast and open foredeck. The highlight of the stunning forward view is a glass-backed counter current pool that nipped a bit of headroom from some of the guest cabins below but allows the owners to have a swim at their own leisure and in

SANLORENZO SUPERYACHT SALES

Sanlorenzo has enjoyed a recent string of sales successes for its Superyacht models including the seventh Alloy, a 44.5m aluminium fast-displacement model (two of the first five hulls were sold to Asia by regional representative Simpson Marine). The builder also announced the sale of the 10th 500EXP, a 47m explorer model that featured on the cover of Yacht Style Issue 44 in 2019 following delivery to an Asian owner. Other recent sales included the eighth 52Steel – after hull six of the sub-500GT model had been launched - and the second unit of the 57Steel, an upcoming 1,000GT model set to debut in 2022.

complete privacy.

Thanks to a telescopic mast that disappears when not in use, the 140sqm foredeck is so completely open and unencumbered you could use it as a putting green.

Aft on the upper deck is a cosy home cinema and game room and



The formal dining area (left) is forward of the saloon on the main deck; the owner's deck offers alfresco dining aft (right) and there's a similar area on the bridge deck above



The interior of the owner's deck includes a private lounge (left) and a stunning master suite forward (right), which benefits from a large skylight

a large outdoor dining area with a bar. The yacht is ideal for warmer climates as the overall design prioritises outdoor deck spaces over larger indoor areas.

The aft section of the bridge deck can be set up for sunbathing and dining. Proceeding fore, the captain's cabin is right by the bridge where the yacht is controlled via a Team Italia integrated I-Bridge. With touchscreens that manage all nav-com equipment on board, this system can be modified to meet different yachts' customisation requirements. In fact, the bridge aboard Cloud 9 was purpose developed to respond to the yacht's ergonomics and technical space. While the captain's cabin is on the bridge deck, the rest of the



crew have their quarters, mess and galley on the lower deck. All crew pathways including staircases are kept separate from guest areas to protect privacy on a model that shows what it's like to live on *Cloud 9*. §

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SPECS

Length overall 61.5m (201ft 9in) Maximum beam 11.8m (38ft 9in)

Maximum speed 16.5 knots Guest accommodation 12

The master suite on the owner's deck has a welcoming view of the private foredeck, which has a glass-backed pool and lounging areas