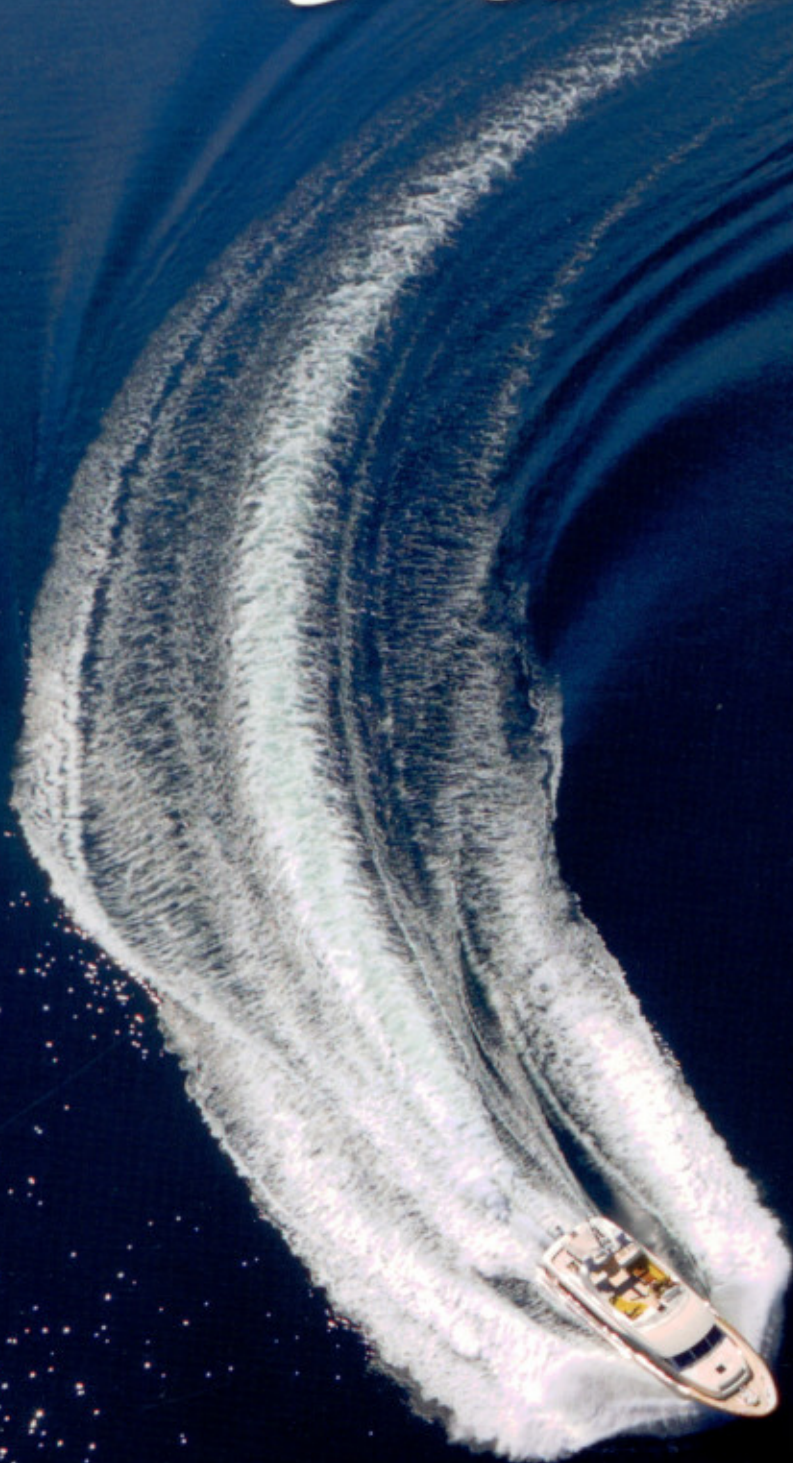


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## MOONEN

Moonen Shipyards has launched *Sofia II*, the second in its brand-new line of 97-foot steel-hulled displacement cruisers. An elegant design by René van der Velden Yacht Design built over a round-bilged hull by Diana Yacht Design delivers comfort, range, economy, and stability at anchor.

The Moonen 97 concept derives from the very successful four-stateroom layout of the Moonen 84 but with greater interior volume, inspired by the Custom Moonen 96 *Clementine*. The added volume permits particularly spacious master and guest accommodations, increased

stowage, and enough fuel for a transatlantic range. There is also room for sufficient crew to easily adapt the model to chartering.

In keeping with Moonen's philosophy of customising yachts for each client, *Sofia II* includes a number of individual features: A particularly long flybridge, extending protection for the aft deck lounge area, a folding bimini, and two tender cranes. The yacht features dramatic contemporary styling by Art-Line Interior Design, including light maple trim to accompany the cherry joinery and high-end designer furniture.

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COMING SOON

**BALK SHIPYARD** has welcomed the 34 m motoryacht *Cornelia* and her crew back to its specialised refit operation following two earlier visits. The yard is installing a completely new engine room and bringing this Turkish-built boat fully up to Dutch standards. "You could compare this project to a heart transplant," says Daan Balk. "We will be bypassing all the previous systems and inserting new monitoring & control and electrics. *Cornelia* will be as good as new when the surgery is finished this spring."

