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Feadship's latest 63m launched

Hundreds of people attended the launching of the 63m Feadship Lady Britt at Koninklijke De Vries Scheepsbouw in the Netherlands. It proved to be an emotional day for her new Scandinavian owner, she's the first significant yacht they've owned after years of charters. This experience however aided in synthesizing exactly what he wanted in his dream yacht. One of the most striking aspects of this personalised approach is the choice of six large guest suites on the lower deck, to accommodate family and friends in comfort and style. Two of the suites can be converted into a full-width VIP stateroom to allow a dual principal charterer more space. In terms of styling, the owners have elected to go for a 'luxury New York apartment' feel for their stateroom, complete with separate bathrooms and dressing rooms; enhanced by a private study. Meanwhile, the overall arrangement makes Lady Britt an excellent yacht for charter with a dedicated wellness spa, a separate panoramic gymnasium, an outdoor cinema and an authentic Finnish sauna with its own private access to the ocean. During the launch ceremony, Henk de Vries thanked the owners for their considerable commitment. "It has been a privilege to see how you have dedicated yourselves to learning about every aspect of yacht building... the depth of your knowledge was such that I wondered whether you might actually be going to build the boat yourself. You have taken a very pretty, classic Feadship design, made it a little longer and sleeker, and fashioned a spectacular yacht of which we are all very proud."

Technical specifications: LOA: 63.00m (206'8") • Beam overall: 11.30m (37'1") • Draft (loaded): 3.50m (11'6") • Fuel capacity: 148,700 l. Fresh water capacity: 38,500 l. • Engines: 3x Caterpillar C9



Three new ladies at Diana

. New series of designs launched

Information has just been released on the D150 (Diana 150), the first in a series of three new designs to come from the Diana Yacht design Studios. Created under the working title 'Three Times a Lady' the series will comprise of this the 45m project, followed in December with the unveiling of a 57m, with a further 68m in February 2011. The D150's steel hull and aluminium superstructure which can accommodate twelve guests including the owners, and nine crew, will weigh in below the 500 gross tonnage mark. With a flexible layout that includes two double guest cabins, two twin cabins with additional Pullmans, and an owner's suite that can be swapped for two further VIP cabins, the D150 is well equipped to satisfy the charter market. Of course, each cabin features an en-suite, as do the four doubles and captain's cabin that make up the crew accommodation.

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