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The Brigadoon is lowered into the water at the shipyard in 's-Hertogenbosch. Photo by Moonen Shipyard.

Brigadoon launched at Moonen Shipyards

A special yacht was launched on 7 June at Moonen Shipyards in 's-Hertogenbosch. She is christened *Brigadoon* as she was lowered into the water by crane. "There are certain milestone moments in the building process of a yacht and the launch is obviously a crucial one. What is more exciting than watching a yacht descend out of the construction hall and glide into her natural environment?" says project manager Nicky van Zon on the website of the company.



'THE HULL IS MADE OF HIGH TENSILE STEEL'

The 36-metre superyacht is the first to feature a hull made of high tensile steel. The innovative use of high tensile steel ensures that the yacht is lightweight, which increases speed further and reduces draft considerably. This makes the yacht ideal for sailing in the Caribbean, especially shallow drafts places like the Bahama's. Because of the features of the high-tensile steel hull, *Brigadoon* will also be fuel efficient.

Designed by René van der Velden, *Brigadoon* has her origins in the Moonen Martinique line, part of the Moonen Caribbean design family. The yacht has a top speed of 17 knots and a range of 4,000 nautical miles. The naval architect of the *Brigadoon* is Diana Yacht Design and the interior design is done by Nauta Design Italy. The overall length is 36.3 metres and the waterline length is 34 metres. The maximum beam is 8 metres and maximum draught is 2.1 metres.

The yacht features a remarkable amount of space for her length thanks to a wide-body superstructure with the same beam as the hull. A good example of the benefits this offers, is found in the large owners' suite. The windows are directly on the outer range of the boat looking forward and that provides panoramic views.

The main deck aft is an open area with low bulwarks and a direct connection to the swimming platform. Another special spot on the yacht is the 'open-air' bridge deck lounge. "You can close the sliding windows and use the air conditioning to control the climate or just open everything up and sit outside with a nice rooftop. The finish inside is similar to the rest of the interior along with a lovely teak decked floor. Several people have described it as a winter garden," says Zon.

"We allow owners exceptional leeway when it comes to the superstructure, interior design, layout and onboard facilities and equipment," says Moonen Shipyards CEO Johan Dubbelman. "No other premium quality yard within our size range of 30 to 50 metres can offer such a bespoke approach based on a proven hull and performance. Moreover, Moonen is going to ensure that our designs even more closely reflect the very latest demands from the market in terms of the onboard lifestyle people enjoy."

After the owners of *Brigadoon* have enjoyed two months of cruising, they have agreed to give a public debut to their groundbreaking yacht at the Cannes and Monaco boat shows in September. In other news, the hull for a sister ship to *Brigadoon* in the Moonen Martinique line has been started. Delivery is scheduled for early 2020.