

ASIA-PACIFIC BOATING

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ASIA'S TOP 30 SUPERYACHTS



DREAMBOATS

6 VAN TRIUMPH 212ft (64.6m)

Built: 1984
 Builder: Supercraft, Hong Kong
 Designer: David Tseng Van Lieu
 Hull: Steel
 Power: 2 x 1400hp Yanmars



Van Triumph has been one of the region's most active superyachts – she has a range of 15,000nm – but was recently put on the market for US\$12 million and has been lying in wait at the Hong Kong owner's shipyard. His old 110ft *Van Triumph* (1975), renamed *Vanda*, is now based in Thailand. (2000 ranking: 2)

7 WHITE RABBIT 200ft (61.0m)

Built: 2005 delivery
 Builder: NWBS, Tasmania
 Designer: NWBS/Sam Sorgiovanni
 Hull: Aluminium
 Power: 2 x 2100hp Caterpillar 3512BTA diesels

This huge trimaran is being built at NWBS (North West Bay Ships) in Tasmania for a Singapore-based businessman with previous *White Rabbits* under his belt, and should be launched early next year. Designed by NWBS with Sam Sorgiovanni

(*Aussie Rules*), the inherent stability of the trimaran design is enhanced by a foil-based ride control system. Previous *Rabbits* included two Feadships and a 118ft, Australian-built powercat.



8 SEASHAW II 171ft (52.1m)

Built: 2003
 Builder: Yantai Raffles/Cheoy Lee, China
 Designer: Frank Mulder/Dee Robinson
 Hull: Steel
 Power: 2 x 1,796hp MTU 12V 4000 M60



Photo: No Shu Fan

Like *Asian Lady*, the 175ft *SeaShaw II* is based in Singapore and was made in China, where Yantai Raffles built her hull and Cheoy Lee completed her superstructure and interior. Equipped with active and passive roll-dampening equipment for greater stability, the yacht was designed by Dutchman Frank Mulder, who also designed the 145ft *SeaShaw* (1995), which sailed over 100,000nm before being sold to a US-based client.



9 GRAND CRU 164ft (50.0m)

Built: 1995
 Builder: Baglietto, Italy
 Designer: Baglietto
 Hull: Aluminium
 Power: 2 x diesel



A Baglietto build that was finished in Greece, *Grand Cru* has been in Hong Kong since she was launched in 1995. Initially named *Faith* and then *Sonia*, she's officially with her third owner but is up for sale for US\$8 million. Extensively refitted in 1997/98 in Hong Kong, including a new interior, she has a great skyounge, jacuzzi, six ensuite guest cabins and plenty of deck space.

(2000 ranking: 8; discrepancy in length)

10 SILOLONA 163ft (49.8m)

Built: 2004
 Builder: Konjo Boatbuilders of Ara, Indonesia
 Designer: Kasten Marine Design
 Hull: Borneo Ironwood (*Kayu ulin*)
 Power: 1 x Yanmar 680hp

The beautiful *Silolona* was launched in Bali in July after Konjo craftsmen from south Sulawesi spent almost three years building this traditional Pinisi in the mangrove swamps of Batulicin, southeast Borneo, using local 'ironwood'. Owned by an Indonesian singer, *Silolona* will charter from both Bali and Phuket, and is set to play a central role in December's King's Cup.