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From speed machine to superyacht -
the biggest turnaround
in sailing history

*"All I ask is a tall ship and
a star to steer her by"*

John Masfield

What literature owes
to sailing



Featuring

The icon

ATHENA

The champion

UNFURLED

The thoroughbred

NIKATA

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In the wake of
Picasso: the
art lover's
Côte d'Azur
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PLUS Regatta ready - watches to win with



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▶ Ian and Blanche Cook's yard was founded in 1990 to help build the America's Cup entry for Spain. It specialises in custom carbon yachts but motor yachts also feature – the world's biggest sport fisher is taking shape in its sheds. It's best known for the Dubois-designed 33.8m *Silvertip*, while *Endeavour* (right), the 1934 J Class, is the yard's star refit.



YACHTING DEVELOPMENTS

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▶ Yachting Developments is finishing up work on its latest launch, 33.83m *Cygnus Montanus* (left). She was penned by Germán Frers, with interiors by Adam Lay, for world-roaming bluewater cruises and easy handling by a small crew. She also has a lifting keel for access to remote anchorages. At time of press she was due for delivery at the end of June.



Details • Founded 1990 • Location New Zealand
• Website yachtingdevelopments.co.nz

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▶ Five young yacht builders defected from Nautor to form Baltic Yachts. After the Baltic 46 and 33 production sailing yachts, they delivered their first custom yacht in 1975. Today, the shipyard offers semi-custom and custom sailing and motor yachts, notable sailers being 44.8m *Visione* (right), 32.64m *Inukshuk* and last year's 35m *Nikata*.



BALTIC YACHTS

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▶ *Pink Gin VI* (left), the sixth Baltic for her owner, features naval architecture by Judel/Vroljik, interiors by Design Unlimited and is built in carbon-sandwich. The 53.9m will feature a vertical bow, lifting keel and 67m mast. Delivery is due in 2017. Also on the way is a Reichel/Pugh-designed 20.7m high-speed sloop, a "high performance weekender" for a repeat client.



Details • Founded 1973 • Location Finland • Website balticyachts.fi

▶ A relative newcomer, Advanced Yachts was able to put together a highly experienced team in a short space of time. The general concept of its yachts is developed in partnership with Reichel/Pugh and Biscontinini Yacht Design, which has long experience in America's Cup and Volvo Ocean Races, while Nauta designs the interiors. Construction includes sandwich with fibreglass and carbon reinforcements, vacuum infused with epoxy resin, as well as full-carbon builds. The first yacht to splash was the 20m A66 in 2010 (below), designed to create a beach house experience on the water. Next up was the 24m A80, an elegant design that sailed to regatta victory straight after her launch. The latest design is the 13.46m high-performance weekend sailer aimed at families.



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ADVANCED YACHTS

Details
• Founded 2009
• Location Italy
• Website advancedyachts.it

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▶ This summer the yard will launch two projects: the 18.8m A62, a progression of the technology and waterlines on board the A44 (above); and the 30.4m A100, a chic flagship that moves into superyacht territory.

SNAPSHOT

We just couldn't fit them all in – so here are more sail stars with dream boats shaping up in their sheds

MCP YACHTS Guarujá, Brazil

In build is the 30.5m Silver Bullet 100 (below) designed by Alejandro Bottino and due for delivery in 2017.



CONRAD SHIPYARD Gdansk, Poland

The sloop-rigged fast ocean cruiser project Bellkara, at 27.93m, is due this year.

NETA MARINE Bodrum, Turkey

The 54m *Great Nautilus* sailer (below) is due this year.



OCEANCO

Alblasserdam, The Netherlands
Following its work with Vitters on *Aquijo*, the yard's 106m sailer *Solar* will be among the world's largest when delivered next year.

DREAM SHIP VICTORY Marmaris, Turkey

Two massive projects are in build: 53.4m *Princess Maria* and 141m *Dream Symphony*.

MAYRA YACHTS Antalya, Turkey

In the sheds is a 45.5m cold-moulded ketch due in 2017.

HOLLAND JACHTBOUW Zaandam, The Netherlands

The Dutch yard that recently launched 46m performance sloop *Skade* is building a classic 51m schooner, designed by Dykstra and due this year.