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A little R&R on the new Summit 54'

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We could all use a little rest and relaxation in our lives and that's where the boating lifestyle that we all enjoy comes in. However, the new SUMMIT MotorYacht takes it to a whole new level with this elegant new Summit 54' that is designed to *reward* and *recharge* those on board.

The variety of boats available in the Great Lakes region is countless because boats of all sizes from all over the globe seem to find our waters on a regular basis. While hull number one is headed to the east coast for the Newport Boat show in September, the manufacturer feels they were made for the Great Lakes.

"The Great Lakes is a perfect market for the Summit 54,'" says Larry Polster, vice president, Kadey-Krogen Yachts. "I grew up in Cleveland and spent summers cruising Lakes Erie, Ontario and Huron and know what they can dish up in terms of weather. Many motoryachts are of lightweight construction and not really prepared for what the Great Lakes can dish up. The Summit 54' is rock solid and up to the task."

SUMMIT MotorYachts is a new brand that lives under parent company Kadey-Krogen Yachts, who has a 40-plus-year history of design innovation with more than 620 semi-custom, pure full displacement trawler yachts to its credit.

With the motoryacht market continuing to evolve, the manufacturer saw a gaping hole that they knew they could fill.

"We meet people at shows all the time that love the quality of the Krogen brand but want to cruise at 20 knots," adds Polster. "Rather than just create a 20 knot motoryacht, we took the time to design Krogen quality and features into the boat. For example, there are three places on the Summit 54' that six people can comfortably dine: inside, the cockpit or the flybridge. So no matter the weather, you have a comfortable place. No other motoryacht has that capability for six."

Timelessly crafted to offer a new and fresh perspective on lasting comfort and sophistication, the Summit 54' includes fully walkable side decks, beautiful, wrap-around windows, and an intentionally designed interior that makes the most of your weekend escapes.

Swim Deck

Starting in the stern, the teak decking catches your eye first, followed by the handcrafted teak table and designer-quality soft goods. The aft deck beams with pride and is a seamless extension of the interior, both in style and access.

"She also a very open yacht where the swim platform, cockpit and galley form one continuous space and there are two outside barstools at a counter that interfaces directly with the galley," says Polster. "Last but not least, that bar area has a built in blender!"

Just down from the aft deck is a perfect-height swim platform for lounging or taking a dip. Also accessible from the stern deck are comfortable steps that lead to the flybridge; yet another perfect place to relax.

Music and boating go hand in hand so a quality sound system is an important factor when relaxing on the open waters. Fusion Entertainment Marine Audio Solutions sends ambiance and harmony to the aft deck, salon/galley lounge, bow and flybridge. Also working in harmony with the interior, is the aft deck grilling station and the sea-to-table service window that provides continuous access and contact.



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Incorporated into the new model is the award-winning Dockmate wireless remote control docking system. It allows boaters to easily operate electronically controlled engines, bow and stern thrusters, anchor winches and horns from anywhere on board with a small handheld device. Each Dockmate system includes a rugged wireless, handheld transmitter with an easy-grip rubber finish, lanyard and wireless charger, as well as a plug-and-play receiver compatible with most brands of engines and thrusters.

"The Summit 54' is an exceptional build and the perfect platform for our Dockmate system," said Brian Sheehan, Dockmate U.S. spokesperson. "She was designed from the ground up to be a beautiful, long-range cruiser with exceptional features to enhance the comfort of the owners and crew."

"After considering many aftermarket electronics options, we chose to add Dockmate to our new Summit 54,'" said Tucker West, vice president of sales, SUMMIT MotorYachts. "A product like Dockmate can always make your customers' experience, particularly in stressful situations like close-quarters maneuvering, just a little easier. We are confident our clients will appreciate the functionality that Dockmate provides."



Master Suite

Located at the widest part of the boat, the master suite is nearly 15 feet wide. And, for a more comfortable night's sleep, the queen berth is not tapered at the foot, nor the head, of the bed. With his-and-hers wardrobe closets, plenty of drawer storage, and an ensuite head with cabinetry, there's no need to live out of a suitcase.

Each stateroom is more than just decorative, its design is practical as well. The master suite also has a TV, a vanity/desk, and beautiful LED overhead lighting and wall lighting.

Much like the master, the VIP stateroom will have family and guests living lavishly. Living up to the VIP moniker, this space has the comforts of a walk-around queen berth, hanging locker and extra storage, overhead lighting, reading lights, TV, and ensuite access to the beautiful guest head with a stall glass shower. Everyone will be waiting for their next invitation to get away.

Office Space

With a full berth, more hanging storage, and a desk with a mirror and lighting fixtures, the third cabin is really a room packed with purpose. It's also the home of the separate washer and dryer. Alternatively, there is the option to forego the berth and dedicate the stateroom to be an office.

Ready For The Open Water

With an impressive 330-nautical mile range at 23-knots, she'll take you where you want to be and with the handling you would expect. The Summit 54' is powered by twin Cummins QSB6.7, 542hp engines with ZF Marine ZF286A, 2.1:1 ratio gears turning 2-1/4-inch diameter shafts with 4-bladed, 26 x 28 Hung Shen propellers. Instead of traditional trim tabs, the boat utilizes the state-of-the-art Zipwake Dynamic Trim-Control System for ultimate comfort and fuel economy.

Notably different, inside and out from other yachts on the market, the new Summit 54' is ideal for relaxing as well as recharging on the Great Lakes. There is a lot of marina to marina boating in our region so you can appreciate those wide side decks for docking. Also, the lower helm station will be greatly appreciated since the visibility is 360 degrees and bow rise is very minimal, making it a pleasure to run the Summit 54' from inside in inclement weather, something all Great Lakes boaters can appreciate.



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