

# Windy Boats SR28 CC (2023-)

## Brief Summary

The SR28 CC is a 27’8” (8.43 m) center console with walkaround capability and a cabin that sleeps two. She is powered by a pair of Yamaha F200 outboards that took us to 48.6 MPH. Windy has a strong reputation for having skilled craftspeople in Västervik, Sweden and Ostróda, Poland building its quality boats since 1966. The lineup includes the Sport Series, SR Series Chase Boats and yacht tenders with models ranging from 26’ to 60’ (7.92 m to 18.29 m).

## Price

### Base Price

Prices, features, designs, and equipment are subject to change. Please see your local dealer or visit the builder's website for the latest information available on this boat model.

## Test Results

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
600	3.6	3.1	2.9	1.2	1.1	88	76.3	59
1000	5.6	4.9	1.7	3.4	3	242	210.5	69
1500	7.8	6.7	2.8	2.8	2.5	201	174.9	73
2000	9.7	8.4	5	1.9	1.7	138	120.3	78
2500	13.9	12	7.1	2	1.7	139	121	85
3000	20.3	17.6	10.1	2	1.8	144	125	86
3500	30.8	26.7	12.5	2.5	2.1	176	153.2	90
4000	36.3	31.6	16.1	2.3	2	161	139.8	89

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
4500	41	35.6	20.3	2	1.8	144	125	93
5000	47.3	41.1	30.7	1.5	1.3	110	95.6	94
5500	48.6	42.2	36.8	1.3	1.1	94	81.8	96

[View the test results in metric units](#)

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## Specifications

Length Overall	27' 6"   8.42 m
BEAM	8' 2"   2.49 m
Dry Weight	6,173 lb   2,800 kg
Tested Weight	7,695 lb   3,490 kg
Draft	3'   1 m
Draft Up	
Draft Down	
Air Draft	
Deadrise/Transom	20 deg
Max Headroom	
Bridge Clearance	

<b>Weight Capacity</b>	1,389 lb   630 kg
<b>Person Capacity</b>	7
<b>Fuel Capacity</b>	79 gal   300 L
<b>Water Capacity</b>	18 gal   70 L
<b>Length on Trailer</b>	
<b>Height on Trailer</b>	
<b>Trailer Weight</b>	
<b>Total Weight</b>	7,695 lb   3,490 kg
<b>Aft Deck</b>	
<b>Salon Inside Width</b>	
<b>Salon Fore &amp; Aft</b>	
<b>Salon Height</b>	
<b>Salon Volume</b>	
<b>Galley Volume</b>	
<b>Master SR Width</b>	
<b>Master SR fore &amp; Aft</b>	
<b>Master SR Overhead</b>	

Master SR Volume	
Eng. Room Volume	

# Acceleration Times & Conditions

Time to Plane	2.9 seconds
0 to 20	
Ratio	
Props	14 x 19p
Load	3 persons; 79.25 gal. fuel; 50 lb gear
Climate	78 deg., 82 humid; wind: 5-10 mph, seas:<1

## Windy SR28 CC

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The Windy SR28 CC is a multi-use center console with yachtlike features.

## Mission

Talk about a “do it all” boat, the Windy SR28 CC has a lot of functionality. She’s roomy enough to load her up with guests and there are multiple social zones. With her plumb bow, she handles waves quite well. A modest cabin allows her to support overnight missions for a weekending couple. Her appeal as a yacht tender has been well supported by sales to that specific market segment.

Probably the most notable aspect of this boat is that because of her appeal as a yacht tender, she has an impeccable fit and finish, well-thought-out accouterments and a wide rub rail to protect her when laying up alongside a mother ship or a dock.

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The SR28 CC has a layout that encourages socializing in three separate areas, including two in the bow. The helm and observer's seats rotate around to join the guests at the table just behind.

## Major Features

- Plumb-bow hull design
- Premium fit and finish
- Twin outboard power
- Roomy two-person cabin
- Yacht-quality features

## Performance

The Windy SR28 CC has a length overall of 27'8" (8.43 m), a beam of 8'2" (2.49 m) and a draft of 3'3" (1 m). With an empty weight of 6,614 lbs. (3,000 kg), full fuel and three people on board, we had an estimated test weight of 7,695 lbs. (3,490 kg). With a pair of 200-hp Yamaha F-200s turning 14 x 19 props and run up to 5500 RPM, our speed topped out at 42.2 knots. During testing at the Windy Factory with eighteen pitch props, their speed topped out at 44 knots. We measured best cruise at 3500 RPM and 26.7 knots. At that speed, the 12.5-gallon-per-hour fuel burn worked out to be 2.1 nautical miles per gallon and a range of 153.2 nautical miles, all while still holding back a 10% reserve with about 79.25-gallon (300 L) total fuel capacity. In acceleration tests, we reached planing speed in an average of 2.9 seconds, cruised through 20 mph in 4.9 and 30 in 8.3 seconds.

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**During our test runs, we reached an average top speed of 42.2 knots.**

## Handling

This was a fun boat to drive. We had a little bit of windblown chop while going through our test area in the Intercoastal Waterway, so not a lot to contend with, but it was fun driving through it. She just skips right along from one wave to the next and cuts through it kind of nicely, maybe a little bit bouncy, but that was to be expected.

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**She heels over quite hard if you put her into a power turn, a feeling that I thought was pretty cool.**

I did notice that she's sensitive to trim. A little bit goes a long way, so just give light touches to the trim tabs. Frankly, the only time I needed the trim tabs was to level the boat out for an uneven distribution of weight. That's it. Other than that. Nice, straight and true. There is a bit of bow rise upon acceleration, so don't be shy about hitting the throttle. Get her up on plane and get that bow down again.

# Boat Inspection

## The "Yacht" Features

Because the SR28 CC has such appeal as a yacht tender, she has to have qualities that equate to yachting and the upscale demands that those owners expect to see. On the SR28 CC, it starts with the strength of build. There are no “hollow” sounds when banging on the bulwarks or the hull. It's all a solid, foam-filled and strong hull that can take a pounding.

Then it goes to the features that we can see. Starting with the oversized cleats. The rub rails are huge and allow for laying the 28 up against anything without worry. All decks are Flexiteek. The supports for the table and the hardtop are remarkably thick and secured to the helm seat mount rather than the deck so they don't take up valuable legroom. Up higher, those hardtop mounts are wrapped in leather in the grab locations. The cockpit table is a solid wood core with two-tone laminate. Under aft hatches to both sides at the walkthroughs to the swim platforms, there are cargo storage containers with stainless-steel frames. Lifting these out provides access to the bilge areas. Finally, the upholstery is upscale and handstitched and its quality can be seen everywhere.

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**The white pipes are supports for the T-top. Notice how beefy they are and how they're not mounted to the deck so there's more legroom. The stainless is a support for the table.**

## Comfort Features

The SR28 CC is also a comfortable boat to be on and in. Those comfort features start with a 43" (109.22 cm) wide aft bench seat with a reversible seatback to convert it from facing the cockpit table to aft facing allowing for watching the action off the stern for coving or watersports. Beneath is a 36-liter (38.04 qt) refrigerated drawer.

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**The decking is all treated with Flexiteek for non-skid comfort. Notice the flip platform ahead of the engines that can be down for walking across and up for tilting the engines. The sports rail over the**

**engines facilitates watersports.**

The table is solid wood with a laminate inlay surrounded by dark tones. It's expandable for conversion into a dining table or adding food to the cocktail hour. In the collapsed position, there are beverage holders along with a leather-wrapped grab rail that doubles as support for the expanded section. To both side bulwarks, there's cargo netting for quick drop storage, and those bulwarks come up to a safe height of 28" (71.12 cm). Beneath the table is a hatch leading to the two engine start batteries and the dual house batteries.

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**Here we can see the quality table and notice the beverage holders. Beneath the seat, there's a refrigerated drawer.**

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**The aft seatback flips to allow for aft-facing seating.**

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**The cargo net storage on the bulwarks is a convenient touch.**

Forward of the table are the helm and observer's seats that can be rotated around to become a part of the gathering at the table. They also adjust fore and aft and include individual flip bolsters. Above is the canvas T-top mounted 6'11" (2.11 m) off the deck.

## Helm

The helm is starboard side mounted and features a flush-mounted 16" (40.64 cm) Garmin display. Just alongside is the Yamaha display screen. The bow thruster is to the left of the wheel and right alongside is a remote for the Garmin display, not really in a "remote" location. Below are waterproof push-button electrical switches.

To the right side of the wheel are the engine controls. When bringing the levers forward, the hands approach the trim tab rockers allowing for changes on the fly. To the right of the entire console is a convenient grab handle and another is just above that serves as the windshield frame. A hand cutout in the side window allows it to serve as a grab point. The steering wheel is mounted to a tilt base and there's a convenient cubby beneath for putting "stuff."

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**The helm includes room for a 16" (40.64 cm) Garmin display.**

## Bow

With a symmetrical layout, both side decks are 12" (30.48 cm) wide and accessed by two steps from the cockpit deck. The supports for the T-top are mounted high up on the side of the console so that they don't impinge on the side deck clearance but still serve as grab points for stability when transitioning. Bulwarks come up 17" (43.18 cm) with rails topping out at a safe 25" (63.5 cm).

Bow seating is two-fold. First, there's a 39" (99.06 cm) wide bench seat ahead of the console and facing forward. Then there's a U-shaped settee with storage beneath. This wraps around a solid wood table, much of the same design as the cockpit table, on a hi-lo pedestal. When lowered, and a filler cushion is added, the area becomes a full-length sunpad. Surrounding rails come up 12" (30.48 cm) from the seat base.

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**The bow features dual social zones and an adjustable table.**

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**With the table lowered, the bow forms a full-length sunpad.**

Fully forward the rails are split to allow for bow-in boarding. The foredeck is all non-skid and a hatch conceals an electric windlass and a thru-the-stem anchor roller. This compartment also serves as a rode locker for the all-chain rode. Foot-control switches are to both sides of the hatch and 9" (22.86 cm) cleats are located further outboard to both sides. Beverage holders are flush mounted aft of the hatch.

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**The bow has a split rail for bow boarding. The entire foredeck is treated with non-skid.**

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**The anchor forms perfectly to blend in with the bow scuff plate. This is part of the yacht-quality features we see throughout.**

## Overnighting

The Windy SR28 CC is a capable dayboat and a functional overnighter. The accommodations are accessed from a sliding smoked acrylic door to the port side of the helm console.



With a length of 86" (218.44 cm) fore and aft, the berth is a good size for our cruising couple. At the aft corners, there are open storage cubbies that include 110-V outlets along with USB connectivity, so these make ideal solutions for storing cell phones overnight on a charge. Headroom down below is 4'7" (1.4 m), which leaves 3'2" (.97 m) over the aft end of the berth and 2'6" (.76 m) over the front, where the bow seating is located and then dropping to 1'4" (.41 m) under the bow deck.

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**The cabin is roomy enough for a cruising couple to spend a weekend onboard. Who needs hotels anyway?**

The head is, not surprisingly, a wet head and includes a sink. Outside the head and to port of the entrance, there's a storage module with hinged wooden hatches over two storage spaces. One of these spaces can be optioned out for a sink, which supplements the sink in the head.

## Optional Equipment

- Choose from a single 300-hp Yamaha or Twin 200s
- T-top White With fabric in Sunbrella Plus Charcoal
- Anchor winch bow
- Bow thruster
- Fridge under cockpit sofa (36L)
- Dashboard Nextel Dark Antracite
- Low lights platform
- Low lights deck
- Underwater lights White (x2)
- Bedside wall panels
- Table on forward deck (Teak)
- Table cushion forward
- Flexiteek deck & platform.
- Shore power 120V w/charger and outlets
- Battery service extra 95Ah AGM
- Chartplotter Garmin 1x16"
- Trim tabs with indicator
- VHF Garmin 315i
- Stereo system upgraded kit

# Price

See dealer for pricing.

# Observations

Aside from being a fun drive, I really like the layout of the Windy SR28 CC because it's a comfortable boat to spend the day on. Also, the accommodations are nice so you can do some casual overnighting, but mostly it's the fit and finish that's so striking. It's a yacht-quality boat, which makes it ideal as a tender in addition to being a great family boat.