

Robalo R230 (2024-)

Brief Summary

The Robalo R230 is designed to satisfy all of your fishing and performance needs. Outfitted with our Hydro Lift™ multi-angle hull design, horizontal tubed rod storage, SeaStar tilt hydraulic steering, and a 25-gallon live well. The R230 is perfect for those with the desire for endless possibilities.

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	4.3	3.7	0.7	6.14	5.34	552.9	480.4	70
1000	6.1	5.3	1.4	4.52	3.93	406.7	353.4	70
1500	7.1	6.2	2.4	2.96	2.57	266.3	231.4	73.1
2000	8.4	7.3	3.7	2.29	1.99	205.9	178.9	75
2500	9.3	8	5.3	1.75	1.52	157.1	136.5	78
3000	11.9	10.3	7.1	1.69	1.47	151.9	132	83
3500	26.8	23.3	9	2.98	2.59	268	232.9	85
4000	31.9	27.7	12.7	2.52	2.19	227	197.2	85
4500	35.9	31.2	16.3	2.21	1.92	198.6	172.5	87

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
5000	40.3	35	20.5	1.96	1.71	176.7	153.6	89
5500	46.4	40.3	23.8	1.95	1.69	175.5	152.5	93
5800	48	41.7	23.8	2.02	1.75	181.7	157.9	95

[View the test results in metric units](#)
Robalo R230 mph and gph performance chart

Specifications

Length Overall	23' 7.01 m
BEAM	8' 6" 2.59 m
Dry Weight	4700 lbs 2132 kg
Tested Weight	
Draft	
Draft Up	19" 48 cm
Draft Down	
Air Draft	
Deadrise/Transom	20 deg
Max Headroom	
Bridge Clearance	8' 7" 2.62 m

Weight Capacity	
Person Capacity	12/1725 lbs 12/782 kg
Fuel Capacity	90 gal 341 L
Water Capacity	9gal 34 L
Length on Trailer	
Height on Trailer	
Trailer Weight	
Total Weight	
Aft Deck	
Salon Inside Width	
Salon Fore & Aft	
Salon Height	
Salon Volume	
Galley Volume	
Master SR Width	
Master SR fore & Aft	
Master SR Overhead	

Master SR Volume	
Eng. Room Volume	

Acceleration Times & Conditions

Time to Plane	4.6 seconds
0 to 20	
Ratio	
Props	
Load	
Climate	90 deg., 85 humid; wind: 5-10 mph, seas: slight chop

Robalo R230

by Capt. Ken Kreisler

Robalo R230 running

Whether day-tripping with friends and family or out for some inshore fishing, the Robalo R230 delivers.

Robalo Boats has a long-established reputation for providing its owners with a wide variety of quality boats. Its new R230 is easily trailerable and it is offered to those wishing to be on the water for fishing action or have a day out with family and friends.

Mission Statement

With an LOA of 23' 7" (7.01 m), a beam of 8' 6" (2.59 m), a 20-degree deadrise and a maximum single 250-hp engine, Robalo designed this boat for ease of operation. Riding on its Hydro Lift™ multi-angle hull design, and equipped with port and starboard horizontal tubed rod storage, SeaStar tilt hydraulic steering, and a 25-gallon livewell, there's a lot more packed into this 23-foot package.

Major Features

- Upholstery material made from durable, scuff and scratch-resistant, 100% SiO silicone
- Easy access to the batteries and all onboard electrical systems
- Accessible water-resistant state-of-the-art circuit breakers
- Aluminum tandem axel trailer, disc brakes on all four wheels, folding tongue jack, 15" galvanized wheels, LED submersible lights, winch stand w/safety straps and trailer side guides
- Three-step telescoping boarding ladder w/concealed handle under a fiberglass hatch
- Encapsulated reserve flotation
- Fiberglass hardtop w/black or white powder-coated frame and four rod holders, storage box, LED spreader lights and integrated console grab rails

Features Inspection

The Cockpit

The deep aft cockpit is bolstered on both sides. There is a stainless toe rail under the port gunwale in addition to two full-length rod tubes. Fully aft is a full-width casting deck with topside aggressive non-skid, and is easily converted to a three-person seat by merely lifting the hinged backrests to the up position.

Rebalo R230 port cockpit gunwale

Port cockpit gunwale features easy-to-care silicone bolster fabric, a one-piece stainless toe rail, and a pair of rod holder tubes with a pad to protect reels.

To port is access to a 25-gallon livewell and the three-person, hinged center seat easily deploys up or down and when lifted, allows access to the bilge area.

Rebalo R230 livewell

The livewell has a clear plastic lid to keep an eye on your baits. Note the four rod holders on the back of the helm seat.

Rebalo R230 aft seat allows easy access to the bilge

The purpose-built aft seat allows easy access to the bilge.

Rebalo R230 bilge

The aft seat is raised to show the bilge area.

Robalo R230 battery switch panel

Readily available, and aft and to starboard, is the battery switch panel behind a hinged panel door.

The Center Console

Like everywhere aboard the R230, maximum use of minimum space is realized at the center console. Fitting securely under the bolstered, double helm seat, and easily locked into place, is a large cooler.

Robalo R230 cooler

The easily accessed cooler fits snug and secure under the helm seat. Note the four rod holders affixed to the seat back.

The helm has a straightforward layout with a center-positioned, flush-mounted 12" Simrad screen, flanked on both sides by stainless LED electronic push button switches and water resistant DC breakers. In addition, electrical connectors are triple O-ring sealed and are watertight. The wiring is tinned copper with waterproof connectors. The stainless wheel, with a control knob, allows for effortless steering courtesy of the SeaStar tilt hydraulic system.

Digital gauges can be replaced with the optional dual electronics package with information displayed through the electronics screen. Other features include integrated dual level footrest, a waterproof wireless charging dock, aluminum-framed glass windshield, forward console seat with entry into console w/space for extra storage or Porta Potti, and 12v DC dash receptacle and 12v wiring buss inside the console.

Robalo R230 powder coated frame

The sturdy and well-mounted powder-coated frame is available in either white or black.

Robalo R230 console compartment

The console compartment is large enough for extra storage space or a Porta Potti.

The Bow

Deep seats, full side bolsters all around, and a stainless rail to either side make for safe seating forward.

Robalo R230 bow cushions become comfortable lounges

With backrests in place, the bow cushions become comfortable lounges to enjoy while underway.

Robalo R230 casting platform

Stowing the cushions creates a casting platform.

Robalo R230 extra storage under the port and starboard lounge seats

Extra storage is found under the port and starboard lounge seats.

Performance

Speed & Range

Our test boat, with two people aboard and half fuel, powered by a single Yamaha VF250XB VMAX outboard was quick to plane in 4.6 seconds and achieved a top speed of 47.95 mph. At that turn of speed, we had a 117 statute mile range. Our best cruise saw a 26.8 mph rate with a 130 statute mile range and took into consideration a 10% fuel reserve.

Handling

Our test day saw fairly mild conditions, and considering we were at the wheel of a 23-foot center console boat, found our Robalo 230 delivered an exciting performance.

Options To Consider

- A choice of eight interior and hull colors
- Dual battery charger
- Upgraded JL sound system
- Pre-wire for trolling motor w/triple bank charger
- Minn Kota trolling motor
- Trim tabs w/indicators
- Bow filler cushions and table w/dedicated storage
- Simrad electronics package

Observations

The Robalo R230 is an easily trailerable, inshore center console boat offering many standard features and premium options. A spirited performer, she will provide family fun out on the water including being outfitted with all the necessary fishing equipment.

Remember, life is better on a boat!