

# Caravelle Interceptor 232 (2007-)

## Brief Summary

The 232BR Interceptor is one hot running boat with a powerful, throaty roar. In the cockpit you have molded-in armrests, a high performance dash with matching color-coordinated instrumentation and Zero Effort performance controls. Step in, sit down, and hang on, you are in for a great ride and a fun day on Caravelle’s 232BR Interceptor!

## 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.*

## Key Features

- Kenwood CD player
- Custom dash with full instrumentation
- Zero effort racing controls
- Adjustable tilt steering
- Concealed electric horn
- U-shaped bench seating with sundeck
- Stainless steel hardware throughout
- Sunbrella bimini top

## Test Results

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
700	3.8	3.3	0.9	4.22	3.67	137	119	70
1000	6	5.2	1.5	4	3.48	130	113	70
1500	7.9	6.8	2.6	3.02	2.63	98	85	78
2000	13.4	11.6	5.4	2.5	2.17	81	70	80

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
2500	29.3	25.4	7.1	4.12	3.58	133	116	83
3000	35.9	31.2	9.6	3.74	3.25	121	105	87
3500	42.2	36.7	12.5	3.39	2.94	110	95	87
4000	48.9	42.5	17.4	2.81	2.44	91	79	88
4500	56.2	48.8	21.5	2.62	2.28	85	74	95
5000	58.6	50.9	22.8	2.57	2.23	83	72	95

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

Length Overall	23' 0"
BEAM	8' 4"
Dry Weight	3,500 lbs.
Tested Weight	
Draft	36"
Draft Up	
Draft Down	
Air Draft	

<b>Deadrise/Transom</b>	20 deg.
<b>Max Headroom</b>	open
<b>Bridge Clearance</b>	N/A
<b>Weight Capacity</b>	
<b>Person Capacity</b>	
<b>Fuel Capacity</b>	36 gal.
<b>Water Capacity</b>	none
<b>Length on Trailer</b>	
<b>Height on Trailer</b>	
<b>Trailer Weight</b>	
<b>Total Weight</b>	
<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>	

Master SR Width	
Master SR fore & Aft	
Master SR Overhead	
Master SR Volume	
Eng. Room Volume	

# Acceleration Times & Conditions

Time to Plane	3.2 sec.
0 to 20	
Ratio	1.60 : 1
Props	14 3/4 X 21 Stainless Steel
Load	2 persons, 1/2 fuel, no water, min, gear
Climate	Temp: 54 deg., humid: 77%, wind: 5-10 mph, Seas: moderate chop

## Caravelle’s High Performing 232 Interceptor

By Capt. Robert E. Smith

Caravelle combines 100% wood-free construction with their patented XPV design to deliver quicker planing times and the ability to stay on plane even at slower speeds. Now, keep in mind slower speeds is not what this boat is about, unless you are slowing down to let someone get a good eyeful! We tested the 232 Interceptor on Lake Lanier in Georgia on some rather rough water, so we really got the chance to have fun!

### Starting at the Bow

The Interceptor has a large pop-up docking cleat in the center of its aerodynamic pointed bow. Up here seating wraps from a lounge back on the helm side to a matching lounge back on the companion dash front. Under the hinged seat on the starboard side you will find storage and there is a built-in cooler on the

port side. Stainless drinkholders are just ahead of the windshield base on either side and bow rails are severely canted in for a smooth gunwale top. Beneath the bow's removable cushion is an anchor well with clips for a Danforth-style anchor. If you need additional space for sun tanning, add the filler cushions and you have a great layout up front.

### **Companion Side**

Caravelle now offers a low-profile tinted sport windshield on the Interceptor. This really looks great and deflects much of the air as it comes over the bow. In the floor between the bucket seats is a large in-floor storage compartment for skis, boards, and more. The bucket seats are spring suspension and quite comfortable. On the companion side you have speakers in the side wall along with an auxiliary jack for plugging in an MP3 player. A stainless drinkholder is located in the corner along with a heavy-duty grab bar across the front of the dash. Just below the grab bar is the control for the Kenwood CD player. There is a place to keep wallets and valuables dry in the large glove box on the top of the dash.

### **At the Helm**

Over on the driver's side, there is an equally comfortable seat with tilt padded steering wheel. Lighted rocker switches are grouped to the left and right of the wheel. A 12 volt socket is next to the ignition for portable gear. Color coordinated bezels surround the Faria gauges, including a digital depth gauge and there is a drinkholder for the driver mounted in the top of the dash. Our model was tested with zero effort controls that made operating this boat a breeze.

### **Cockpit Seating & More**

Aft cockpit seating wraps around from just behind the companion seat to just aft the driver's seat with a lift-out filler for the transom walk-through. Seat bases form generous storage for all your gear. The engine hatch doubles as a large sunpad and next to the engine is a large storage space for keeping the life jackets warm and dry.

Stepping out on the integrated swim platform, our model had a Kenwood remote commander mounted in the sidewall next to the walk-through so you can easily control the tunes from the water. The telescoping swim ladder is concealed under the starboard aft edge of the extended swim platform.

### **Specifications & Performance**

The 232 Interceptor measures 23' length overall and has a beam of 8'4". She weighs about 3,500 lbs dry and carries 36 gallons of fuel. While rated for a maximum 375-hp, the 320-hp 5.7GX<sub>i</sub> performed well. We tested the 232 Interceptor with a Volvo 320-hp 5.7 GX<sub>i</sub> with SX sterndrive. With two full sized men and ½ tank of fuel in sloppy conditions, this boat was a joy to drive. I didn't get the first bit of spray and the spring suspension seats performed wonders on the rough water. Turns were as if the water and the boat were one. She was out of the hole in 3.2 seconds and passing through 30 mph in 6.2 seconds. I found she cruised most efficiently at 35.9 mph turning 3000 rpm for a full tank range of 121 miles. Although I got 58.6 mph for a top speed, in smoother conditions, she is probably capable of more.

Speed, luxury, and comfort are all attributes of a bowrider you want and the 232 Interceptor is ready for action. Just fill up the cooler, the tank, and go!