

American Angler 1660 Bass and Bay

Brief Summary

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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

- One Piece Bottom
- Semi-V Hull
- 3-Keels
- Endurance Lifetime Flooring
- 4-6 Inch Deck Cleats
- Fuel Gauge
- Circuit Breakers
- Navigation Lights
- 24 Volt Trolling Motor Plug

Test Results

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
800	2.2	1.9	0.1	21.75	18.91	352	306	60
1000	3.9	3.3	0.1	38.5	33.48	624	542	65
1500	4.9	4.3	0.3	16.33	14.2	265	230	68
2000	6.2	5.3	1.1	5.47	4.75	89	77	72

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
2500	7.3	6.4	1.1	6.83	5.94	111	96	77
3000	11.3	9.8	1.4	8.18	7.11	133	115	79
3500	17.3	15	1.7	10.15	8.83	164	143	84
4000	21.9	19	2.4	9.3	8.09	151	131	86
4500	25.4	22.1	2.8	9.24	8.03	150	130	88
5000	28.6	24.8	3.4	8.52	7.41	138	120	93
5500	31.3	27.2	4.3	7.27	6.32	118	102	94

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

Length Overall	16' 0"
BEAM	86"
Dry Weight	640 lbs.
Tested Weight	
Draft	N/A
Draft Up	
Draft Down	

Air Draft	
Deadrise/Transom	N/A
Max Headroom	open
Bridge Clearance	N/A
Weight Capacity	
Person Capacity	
Fuel Capacity	18 gal.
Water Capacity	none
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	5.9 sec.
0 to 20	
Ratio	2.08:1
Props	N/A
Load	2 pers, 1/2 fuel, no water, min. gear
Climate	61 deg., 80% humid.; wind: 0-5 mph; seas: flat

AMERICAN ANGLER 1660 BASS & BAY

By Capt. Ron Svoboda

I have to admit, I'm a bit spoiled, especially when it comes to boats. But I also respect utility and minimalism. So when I got the call to test the latest edition to Smoker Craft's American Angler series I went with my bias. After all, I've tested Smoker Craft boats before, and for lack of a better term, they are plush. Well, the 1660 Bass and Bay is not for you champagne drinking types; this is a man's man boat, complete with just the basics, hull, engine and seats, but there are some features that cross the line between comfort and necessity. For instance, a pair of swivel casting chairs comes standard, as does a small helm console and

adequate dry storage compartments.

Construction

Where the B&B really shines is in its rugged, no nonsense, easy to clean and easy to keep personality. It all starts with a hull built with heavy gauge aluminum that's welded throughout to give decades of faithful service. Then, an all composite floor is installed. According to the company, this flooring material will never rot or mildew, plus it comes with a texturized surface that gives you excellent grip. Finally a set of folding seats are placed at the helm and companion side to give you and your pals a place to sit.

At the Helm

The helm is...well, bland, but then again you don't need much on a boat like this. A fuel gauge, a speedometer and an accessory power switch panel make up the helm's dash. I recommend you have a tachometer installed since most speedos fail or do not read accurately anyways. I also found the driving position very uncomfortable due to un-adjustable seats and non-tilt steering wheel. Remember, I'm spoiled though. On the up side, the helm and companion seats are mounted to boxes that give generous dry storage right at your finger tips.

Fishing Features

Now for fishing fun, the boats forepeak has a full-beam casting deck and uses sturdy diamond plate aluminum for maximum grip and toughness. There is a convenient power plug built into the gunwale for the optional trolling motor and it's all pre-wired. The gunwales incorporate built-in rod holders and a handy shelf system to keep equipment secure and easy to access. At the back of the boat, the 1660 has a raised deck with ample space to cast from and includes a mount for a second bass chair. Below the deck are two storage tunnels and access to the engine's battery box.

Considering the Bass and Bay's purpose in life it accomplishes it very well: rugged utility, value, and fishing fun. So if you're a hardy sportsman looking for a stout, economical mate then I think I have a match for you.