

Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius (2015-)

Brief Summary

The Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius will be as sleek and as modern as any express cruiser on the water – no matter where it was designed and built. The Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius reserves the entire main deck for entertaining, offering no fewer than five inviting venues stretching from bow to swim platform. The accommodations layout features two large en suite staterooms and a lower salon. Buyers who prefer a third stateroom can readily be accommodated, according to the company.

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	7.1	6.2	1.45	4.9	4.26	2864	2491	71
1000	10.6	9.2	7.9	1.34	1.17	785	683	75
1350	12.3	10.7	15.5	0.79	0.69	465	402	77
1500	14.3	12.4	26.5	0.54	0.47	315	274	80
1750	19.6	17	35	0.56	0.49	327	284	79
2000	26	22.6	43.5	0.6	0.52	350	304	81
2250	32.1	27.9	56	0.57	0.5	335	291	81
2500	37.2	32.3	66.5	0.56	0.49	327	284	81

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
2560	39	33.9	72.5	0.54	0.47	315	274	82

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

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Specifications

Length Overall	59' 10" / 18.2 m
BEAM	16' 0" 4.9 m
Dry Weight	52,500 lbs. 23,813 kg
Tested Weight	55,070 lbs. 24,979 kg
Draft	4' 2" 1.27 m
Draft Up	
Draft Down	
Air Draft	
Deadrise/Transom	N/A
Max Headroom	open
Bridge Clearance	N/A
Weight Capacity	
Person Capacity	

Fuel Capacity	650 gal. 2,460 L
Water Capacity	150 gal. 568 L
Length on Trailer	
Height on Trailer	
Trailer Weight	
Total Weight	55,070 lbs. 24,979 kg
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	7.6 sec.
0 to 20	
Ratio	N/A
Props	T4 Props
Load	4 persons, 4/25 fuel, 93/100 water, 50 lbs. of gear
Climate	80 deg., 57 humid.; wind: 5-10 mph; seas: calm

Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius running shot

Scheduled for a launch sometime this summer, the new 60 Cantius will be the flagship of the Cruisers Yachts line as well as one of the sleekest large motor yachts on the water.

Overview

Building on the success of the Cantius line (41, 45 and 48), Cruisers Yachts' new 60 Cantius incorporates all of the successful aspects of the smaller vessels into a motor yacht-sized express that looks to be at least the equal of any boat we see currently on the market.

Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius accommodations plan

The accommodations deck of the new 60 Cantius measures over 39' (11.9 m) from the crash bulkhead forward to the master stateroom's aft bulkhead, separating it from the engine room. As can be seen, the boat's 16' (4.88 m) beam is carried for most of the length of the boat.

Accommodations -- For Genteel Cruising Only

For yachtsmen (and yachtswomen) who plan a regular two to three week cruise each summer, there's nothing quite so enjoyable as sharing experiences on the water with another couple or with the whole family. In many cases, that means a grown family, maybe even one with grandchildren. Obviously, when sharing a cruise with another couple, issues of privacy are of more importance than with family, so let's discuss that first.

The Second Couple. Most veteran cruising boaters that we know recommend two-couple cruising, rather than shoe-horning three or four couples on a boat (unless they are all family). It is in this configuration that most large motoryachts offer the most private and comfortable surroundings -- 100'+ mega yachts notwithstanding. The designers at Cruisers Yachts know that and have created an accommodations plan in the 60 Cantius that maximizes room, comfort and privacy for two couples. By placing the VIP stateroom at the opposite end of the boat, and by separating it from the master by two or three bulkheads, the builder has maximized both sound and distance privacy.

Atrium/Foyer

The two staterooms are separated by a common area below deck that includes the companionway to the main deck and an atrium that is 14' (4.27 m) high and through which light pours. But there is more...

© Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius vip stateroom layout

The VIP stateroom has a walk-in closet and another large walk-in closet. Long narrow side windows maximize the amount of light that can come into the cabin.

© Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius stateroom

What we see here is a proven décor scheme for Cruisers Yachts -- dark, classy woodwork with light tones as a counterpoint. Note the three-layer soffit above that handles indirect lighting and gentle air conditioning, the long windows on the sides, and the chest of drawers port and starboard.

The VIP Stateroom

The VIP stateroom not only has a large head with a separate shower stall, but it also has a walk-in closet, something we rarely see even on far larger boats in the second stateroom. The island queen berth is not jammed up into the bow as we often see builders do in order to cram more "living area" into a small space, but rather is placed further aft. This allows the headboard to be almost full width, with only a minor concession.

© Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius vip bed

The VIP bed actually has both the width at its widest point and the length of a household size queen bed. However, it is slightly tapered both at head and foot to provide adequate room along the side bulkheads to ease making up the bed.

© Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius vip head

Note the large VIP head with a bench seat in the shower and wide counters around the sink. It also serves as the day head.

© Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius head

The 60 Cantius' VIP head with its toilet and shower stall.

The head has been carefully designed to not only provide a large shower stall for the most portly of gentlemen but also separate the toilet from the sink. The sink also has generous side counters. The teak and holly treatment on the deck in the head is Amtico for durability and low maintenance. All faucets and plumbing fixtures in the head are of Cressi, made in Italy. The faucets have LED lights that are activated by hot and cold water.

Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius master stateroom

The full-beam master stateroom is possibly the largest in class with a total deck space of over 244 sq. ft. (23 sq. m). Headroom is full-standing all over the cabin.

Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius window surface

Looking aft, we note the expanse of window surface port and starboard and the Romantic café table at left for coffee or drinks.

Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius stateroom

Looking to port we see the double set of drawers under the window. The deck is carpeted.

Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius closet

Looking forward from one of the café table seats we can see the closet in the passage way forward, and the frosted glass door to the large head.

The Master Stateroom

The master stateroom is full-beam and contains a household-size king-size bed, something that is not always possible in boats even of this size. Also, there is full-standing headroom throughout this cabin and the builder has not had to resort to dropping the deck between the stringers in order to provide that. As a result, the entire master cabin deck is on one level.

Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius sinks

Looking outboard in the master head, we see his and hers wash basins left and the door to the master at right. Note the smooth water flow from the Cressi faucets. At night the LED colored lights can be seen in the water.

A café table and two facing seats are installed to starboard which makes a cozy place for morning coffee or celebrating with a glass of champagne in the evening. Opposite is a chest of drawers large enough for his and her clothes for a circumnavigation. Forward of that is a household size closet/hanging locker that is over 6' long. The head is forward and features a double sink and a double shower stall as well.

Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius sofa layout

This 7'-long sofa can house a hide-a-bed to sleep another person or two. A privacy curtain can be installed. Opposite is a versatile credenza.

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Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius vip entrance

Looking forward to the entrance to the VIP stateroom in the background, we see the 7' long sofa to the right and a bit of the credenza at left.

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Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius salon sofa

A view of the salon sofa. The door to the left of the stairs hides the full-size, all-in-one washer and dryer, and the outboard door is for a hanging locker.

Lower Salon or Third Stateroom

The standard 60 Cantius design has a lower salon with a starboard sofa that is over 7' long. It is an ideal place for guests to relax late at night talking into the wee hours without disturbing their spouses. To the port side there is a long credenza that can house all manner of optional equipment, including an icemaker and under-counter refrigerator, or a wine cellar.

Serving Double-Duty. It is not often that boaters go distance cruising with three couples and that is why there are only two staterooms in the standard version. But occasionally an owner's grown children or grand children will want to come along, even if for only a long weekend. In that case, the settee performs admirably in convertible mode, forming a double bed. By designing the boat this way, Cruisers Yachts has created a space that will be used 85% of the time for entertaining and relaxing, and 15% of the time for sleeping.

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Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius third guest cabin

A third guest cabin could be placed in the space used by the salon's sofa. This could house a single bed, bunks, or a Pullman arrangement. Some people might like to use it as the ship's office.

Alternative Layouts

Cruisers Yachts knows its customers quite well and has based the standard accommodations plan on feedback it has gotten from its owners ready to move up. As we said this boat is designed on the main deck for entertaining, and below decks for comfortable two-couple or family cruising. However, there are many boats on the market this size with three private cabins in this size range.

Different Strokes. For that reason, we suspect that the builder will be accommodating to customers who want a private third cabin. Further, that space can be used for other things as well. For example, it could be an on-board office, laundry room, nanny's room with Pullman, or possibly even a galley down. Depending on the builder's flexibility and the buyer's checkbook, possibly the boat could be slightly modified to

incorporate a wet head in the space currently used for the VIP walk-in closet.

Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius layout

The 60 Cantius has a 16' (4.88 m) beam that is enough to permit both reasonably wide side decks and especially large spaces inside the superstructure.

A Premier Entertainment Platform

Cruisers Yachts is going head-to-head with any boat on the market in class and by using the whole main deck for full entertaining possibilities -- not just a giant sun pad -- it has leap-frogged most boats this size which is getting a little long in the tooth, function-wise. The market for this size boat has moved on from the giant sportboat style that we saw emanating from Europe for the last decade and has moved up to more functional amenities. These amenities are directed almost exclusively toward utilizing the whole main deck for entertaining in several venues.

On the new 60 Cantius there are no fewer than five entertaining venues --

Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius bow

The bow features reverse crescent seating, port, and starboard sun lounges as well as two tables.

1) The graceful bow with reverse crescent seating, port and starboard sun lounges, and room for two tables for cocktails. Heretofore, this has been the domain of two pads for sunning. But those days are over. Now Cruisers Yachts is using the space in a creative manner for cocktails, dining, or just sight-seeing while underway in appropriate conditions. At anchor, it will be the most popular place for some guests who like to feel a gentle breeze.

Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius salon

The salon with its U-shaped settee and table.

2) A large salon amidships with a U-shaped settee with a large sofa opposite that can easily seat six to eight people for cocktails. In formal dinner mode, the table rises and two leaves fold out providing the most generous seating for six people we have seen in class. No need to un-stow folding chairs, but if one does, this table will seat eight.

Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius layout

The accommodations layout of the 60 Cantius features two, large ensuite staterooms and a lower salon. Anyone wanting a third cabin should contact a Cruisers Yachts dealer.

Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius galley

The galley is open and functional for cooking and entertaining underway. As it shares the same space as the helm station and main salon.

3) The galley is aft, and just as we have seen in the smaller Cantius models, Cruisers Yachts has once again created an outdoor bar with stools at the aft bulkhead with a window opening to the galley. It reminds us of a cozy snack bar at the local yacht club. Inside, opposite the U-shaped food-prep area of the galley is a counter to starboard that can be used as a side table for beverages, ice and hors d'oeuvres during a cocktail party. The passageway is wide from the aft deck to the salon, allowing guests to mix and mingle freely and pass each other two abreast.

4) We find a U-shaped dinette on the raised aft deck -- not to be confused with a cockpit found on smaller, lesser boats -- that is large enough for six people without adding folding chairs inboard. This venue like the rest of the boat is large and open. A console to starboard, nestled in the boat's sweeping superstructure can hold a refrigerator and icemaker.

 Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius aft deck

In southern Europe where yachts are typically moored stern-to, the aft deck is a much-prized place to see and be seen. With the galley bar forward to port and the wet bar forward to starboard, those walking the quay will be green with envy -- as well they should.

 Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius helm seats

This view of the helm station with the companion helm seat illustrates the open main deck concept with the helm sharing space with the main salon, galley and multifunctional seating that can be used for dining, or relaxing and watching TV.

 Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius aft deck

 Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius aft sunshade

The optional SunShade powers out over the aft deck.

5) The stern platform is the fifth entertaining venue when anchored and we suspect that it will be popular with the men among the guests. Here they can greet guests arriving in their tenders and help them aboard to what amounts to the 60 Cantius' own personal dock. With its retractable sunshade, it is also a place where the BBQ cooks show off their expertise, making the deck an outdoor "patio" of sorts, with water lapping underneath. Some might even partake of a well-earned cigar here -- if it is allowed.

 Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius swim platform

The swim platform is huge. A hydraulic lift is optional.

 Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius swim ladder

We like the four-step swim ladder.

Our test boat had the optional hydraulically activated swim platform. With its fold away boarding ladder. This is not only a good way to get swimmers in and out of the water, but would also work well with a set of chocks attached and a tender or a PWC mounted on the platform.

Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius unknown
Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius profile shot

This is the most important image of all: The 60 Cantius will be as sleek and as modern as any express cruiser on the water -- no matter where it was designed and built.

Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius unknown
Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius engine room

The 60 Cantius is an ideal owner/operator vessel. It really shows in the spacious engine room. There is standing room in some areas and all through hulls and valves are easily accessible. Strainers for both main engines and the generator are also within easy reach.

Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius unknown
Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius running shot

The 60 Cantius had a top speed of 39.0 mph at 2560 rpm, while burning 72.50 gph.

Performance and Handling

The Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius has a displacement of 52,500 lbs. (23,814 kg). With crew, gear, and fuel ECT, we tested her at 55,070 lbs. (24,979 kg). She has two Diesel Volvo Penta 725-hp main engines sending power to the IPS950 pod drives turning T4 props. Her bottom was designed by Donald L. Blount Associates, one of the world's premier powerboat designers, and the expert on hulls powered by the IPS drives.

WOT.

With the throttles on the pins she goes 39.0 mpg, burns 72.50 gph and has a range of 157 statute miles.

Best Cruise.

Based on our test numbers, the best cruise is between 1750 to 2000 rpms, achieving 26 mph at 2000 rpms with a range of 175 miles. If one really wants to extend the range, running at 1000 rpms at 10.6 mph will enable 392 statute miles on a full tank of fuel.

Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius unknown
Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius running shot

She reached time-to-plane in 7.6 seconds.

Handling

The 60 Cantius quickly responded to command inputs. The wheel responded as expected. Turns are fairly tight for a boat of this size which has an IPS. The boat achieves plane in 7.6 seconds. We simulated rough water using our chase boats wake. Hitting a 2' wave at full speed produced some bumps but still handled well with no loss of control.

Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius joystick

The joystick is placed forward so it will be more comfortable to use while standing.

Docking Details

Docking was tested with the IPS950 joystick controller. We brought her into the docks bow first, and in tight quarters turned the boat 180-degrees and went into the slip stern in. Both spinning and sideward motion uses more engine RPM than expected but achieved the desired results. Once calibrated to the amount of power required to make these maneuvers, the system performed remarkably well.

Observations

Of course, there is much, much more to this boat than her entertaining possibilities, cruising amenities, and her good performance. Our first take on this yacht is not only is she intended for entertaining but just as important, she is designed to make guests comfortable by not trying to squeeze too much into a small space. Rather, all spaces seem to be open and robust. With her exterior design by Italian Patrizio Fachieris, interior by Luiz deBasto, and bottom by Blout and Associates, the Cruisers Yachts 60 Cantius has all of the best features and design available today.