

Fountaine Pajot MY 37 (2018-)

Price

Base Price

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Key Features

- One owner's suite and one bathroom, or two double cabins and one bathroom
- Panoramic windows and integrated cockpit access
- Flybridge with protected helm station and a sunbathing station

Test Results

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
600	3.9	3.3	0.4	9.6	8.4	2737	2380.3	59
1000	5.4	4.7	0.7	8.2	7.2	2341	2035.5	61
1250	6.8	5.9	1.1	6.4	5.6	1828	1589.8	64
1500	7.1	6.2	1.6	4.6	4	1303	1132.8	66
1750	8.1	7	2.5	3.2	2.8	916	796.3	66
2000	9.2	8	3.8	2.4	2.1	694	603.4	72
2200	9.4	8.2	4.9	1.9	1.7	551	479.3	74
2400	10	8.7	6.4	1.6	1.4	448	389.5	75
2600	10.6	9.2	7.9	1.3	1.2	382	332.4	78

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
2800	11.7	10.1	10	1.2	1	333	289.6	78
3000	15.4	13.3	11	1.4	1.2	399	346.7	80
3200	18.3	15.9	11.8	1.6	1.4	443	385.2	81
3400	20.6	17.9	13.9	1.5	1.3	423	367.8	83
3600	21.5	18.7	16.2	1.3	1.2	377	328.2	85
3800	22.8	19.8	19.1	1.2	1	339	294.6	87
4050	24.8	21.5	25	1	0.9	282	244.8	87

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

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Specifications

Length Overall	36' 2" / 11 m
BEAM	16' 8" 5.1 m
Dry Weight	19,621 lbs. 8,899 kg
Tested Weight	21,463 lbs. 9,735 kg
Draft	2' 7" 0.8 m
Draft Up	
Draft Down	

Air Draft	
Deadrise/Transom	
Max Headroom	N/A
Bridge Clearance	
Weight Capacity	
Person Capacity	
Fuel Capacity	316 gal. 1,196 L
Water Capacity	93 gal. 352 L
Length on Trailer	
Height on Trailer	
Trailer Weight	
Total Weight	21,463 lbs. 9,735 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	5.5 sec.
0 to 20	
Ratio	N/A
Props	N/A
Load	2 persons, 3/4 fuel, no water, 50 lbs. of gear
Climate	68 deg., 60 humid; wind: 10-15 mph; seas: 0

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Fountain Pajot MY 37 running

The Fountain Pajot MY 37 answers the call for boaters looking for more space, gathering areas, and features while still holding to a smaller LOA.

Overview

French manufacturer Fountain Pajot packed three staterooms, two heads and four gathering areas into the MY 37, a boat with an LOA of 36'2" (11 m). Because the vessel is a power catamaran with a beam of 16'8" (5.1 m), the company can build in some serious living space.

Features Inspection

Fountain Pajot MY 37 fly bridge layout

The MY 37's flybridge is the boat's entertainment center with space for a crowd to sit around the table and a doublewide sunlounge forward.

The Flybridge. Accessed from a ladder to starboard in the cockpit, the flybridge has an L-shaped lounge that wraps around a solid-wood pedestal-mounted table. A refrigerated drawer is under the end seat and forward there's a small sun pad with storage underneath. A fiberglass hardtop protects passengers from the sun and is supported by 2 ½" (6.35 cm) powder-coated framework.

Fountain Pajot MY 37 lounge

Guests can enjoy a snack or cocktail while seated around the table on the flybridge.

Moving forward, to port is a doublewide pad where sun worshippers can stretch out. Forward, there's a wraparound windscreen that did a good job deflecting the onrushing air when we were running.

Flybridge Helm

To starboard, twin bucket seats with flip-up bolsters are at the upper helm station. Working across from the port side, there is a windlass control, a 10" (25.4 cm) Garmin chartplotter and a Garmin autopilot on the left side of the steering wheel, which is mounted to a fixed base. Ahead of the steering wheel is a properly positioned compass with analog-style fuel gauges and tachometers with integrated multi-function displays just below. To starboard are the engine stop and start and Volvo Penta EVC displays. What we didn't see were accessory switches for items such as navigation lights. There's plenty of space in the panel and they

should be added to this station. They should be on the standard equipment list. To the right, the digital shift and throttle controls were comfortably positioned and down below were the VHF and wireless yacht controller.

Fountaine Pajot MY 37 captains seat

To port, the lounge has space where passengers can stretch out and the captain's and companion's seats have flip-up bolsters

Fountaine Pajot MY 37 dash

The dash has almost everything a captain needs to run the MY 37. Notice the absence of any accessory switches.

Fountaine Pajot MY 37

We liked that the digital controls were positioned on the flat and facing forward. It created a comfortable operating position.

The Bow. While we were on the upper deck, we got a good look out over the MY 37's bow. The wide-open foredeck has three removable lounge cushions with ratcheting backrests that can be set in various reclined positions. There's also a spacious storage compartment in this area to store the cushions. At the port bow there is another storage compartment that is, get this, 9' (2.74 m) deep, with a watertight bulkhead just abaft. Access to the same compartment in the starboard hull is optional and not selected on our test boat. Forward, there are 12" (30.48 cm) cleats on each side of the bow with another in the center to secure the anchor rode. The delta plow anchor is deployed and retrieved via windlass.

Fountaine Pajot MY 37 cushions

Here we see two of the three lounge cushions with the ratcheted backrests set for an upright seating position.

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There's plenty of space for the deck cushions to be stored in this deep compartment. The hatch is held open on a stainless-steel pneumatic strut so two hands can be used to retrieve the contents.

Fountaine Pajot MY 37 windlass

The windlass looks small on the spacious foredeck. Fountaine Pajot provides a cleat for securing the rode once the anchor sets.

Stern Passage. From the bow, it was easy to make our way aft to the MY 37's swim platform on side passageways that were 23" (58.4 cm) wide. Fountaine Pajot could have taken advantage of the boat's beam

and pushed out the salon width farther, but that would have meant narrower passageways. Our test boat's salon felt plenty wide and the passageways were easy to use. We also liked that there were properly placed grabrails on the inboard side of the passageway when we stepped down into the cockpit.

Fountaine Pajot MY 37 bow passage

At 23" (58.4 cm) wide, the side decks are plenty wide for easy passage from bow to stern.

Fountaine Pajot MY 37 hand rails

With the grab handle on the inboard side and the full-length rails outboard, crew members can ensure they are secure when moving fore and aft.

Swim Platform. Fountaine Pajot offers a hydraulically lowered swim platform as an option. Our test model had the fixed version that extended aft 4'10" (1.47 m) from the transom. It spans the full width of the boat's beam to offer a platform for SCUBA, snorkel, and other activities.

Fountaine Pajot MY 37 swim platform

The swim platform has enough space for hanging out or for storing a small tender.

Fountaine Pajot MY 37 swim platform

Here we see a boat equipped with the optional hydraulic swim platform lowered to water level.

Fountaine Pajot MY 37 ladder

Four is the minimum number of steps we would look for on the boarding ladder, considering how high the swim platform is off the water.

The Cockpit. Steps on each side of the platform lead up to the MY 37's cockpit, which has a forward-facing lounge and measures 5'6" (1.68 m) fore to aft and 15'1" (4.6 m) wide. There is a stainless-steel rail that creates a backrest for the bench-style seat and our test boat had customer installed rod holders integrated into the rail. Cushions attach to the rail so they won't blow off when the boat is underway. We noticed that the boat's deck is designed with recessed channels to remove water from the cockpit. Utility connections are on the stern to port.

Fountaine Pajot MY 37 bench

The outboard in-deck hatches open to provide access to the dual engine compartments.

Engine Compartments. With a catamaran, there are engines in each of the hulls so the boat has two compartments. To port, the ladder is on the same side as the hinges, which makes it awkward to enter. On the positive side in each compartment, there's plenty of space to work around the 220-hp Volvo Penta D3

diesel inboards. Aft, there was easy access to the transmissions, propeller shafts, mufflers, fire suppression, and steering systems. The starboard side was identical, but it also contained the 7.5 kW generator.

Fountain Pajot MY 37 engine hatch

The underside of the engine hatch was finished with sound-deadening insulation and it opened on a gas strut, but we felt that having the ladder on the same side as the hinges made it awkward to descend into the compartment.

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Volvo Penta's compact five-cylinder diesel takes up minimal space in the hull, leaving good room for moving about the compartment.

Main Deck

Fountain Pajot MY 37 main deck layout

The cockpit and salon are on the same level, creating a spacious area for entertaining and relaxing.

The Galley. Entry to the MY 37's salon is via a full-height sliding glass door that opens in three sections. The galley is aft to port and it comes standard with twin stainless-steel sinks and a propane stove, the tank for which stores in a compartment on the transom. A microwave is an available option. For a boat of this size, the galley has good storage capacity, including overhead cabinets, a large locker underneath, and even in-deck storage compartments. Large side windows provide good views of the outdoors and a small sliding section opens to let in fresh air from both sides.

Fountain Pajot MY 37 salon door

The three-section salon door opens plenty wide to let people pass through easily to the cockpit.

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Our test boat had a more basic galley with twin sinks and a propane stove. We liked that the upper counter had fiddle rails to contain items, but would have liked to have seen them on the lower counter, too.

Fountain Pajot MY 37 galley

This galley is on another boat and it's equipped with the optional overhead oven and microwave.

The Dinette. Across from the galley to starboard, the dinette has an L-shaped lounge around a solid-wood table on a fixed pedestal. Owners can opt for a smaller table on an adjustable base. Outboard of the lounge is the main electrical panel and there's a smaller opening section of the window inside the larger one. In the salon sole, there were numerous hatches that opened storage compartments and access points. At the

leading edge of the dinette, we found two refrigerator drawers and down the stairs to starboard was a smaller refrigerator.

Fountaine Pajot MY 37 dinette

The dinette wraps around to starboard, providing dining space for two couples.

Fountaine Pajot MY 37 main panel

The compact main distribution panel is in a cabinet immediately outboard of the dinette lounge.

Fountaine Pajot MY 37 in deck hatches

In-deck hatches throughout the boat offer access to storage and maintenance points.

Lower Helm. On the MY 37, Fountaine Pajot makes the lower helm station an option. If it's not ordered, an aft-facing lounge comes standard. Our test captain wondered why the two-person forward-facing bench helm seat didn't have a convertible backrest. It's a good suggestion. The helm itself is nearly identical to the upper station, except that it's positioned to port with the controls outboard, the gauges above the steering wheel and the electronics to starboard of the wheel. Like the upper station, the lower one had no accessory switches so powering up lights will have to be done at the main panel in the dinette.

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The lower helm station is positioned to port and notice the glare from the sunshine on the white dash.

Accommodations

Fountaine Pajot MY 37

This layout with a master stateroom to starboard and guest cabins to port is one of two layouts available on the MY 37.

Master Stateroom. To port of the helm is entry to the master cabin, which has a berth that measures 6'4" long by 4'9" wide (1.93 m x 1.75 m). Because of the depth of the hulls, there's more than 6'3" (1.91 m) of headroom. There's a hullside window with an opening port. Storage is provided at the bottom of the entry stairs in a full height hanging locker. Forward of the cabin is a head with a separate shower. A single hatch closes off the entry to the head and cabin area.

Fountaine Pajot MY 37 berth

The berth in the master cabin is 4'9" (1.75 m) wide, but notice how much seated headroom there is, which gives the area a more spacious feel.

Fountaine Pajot MY 37 hatch

This sliding hatch closes off the entry to the master head and cabin area, creating a suite-like feel for the area.

Fountaine Pajot MY 37 head

The master head has a separate shower stall, not something we always see on a boat measuring less than 40' (12.19 m) long.

Guest Cabins. To starboard of the helm, stairs lead down to fore and aft cabins with a shared head in between. Opposite the head door is a refrigerator that provides added cold storage. The forward cabin has a single berth, a hullside window with an opening port and an overhead hatch. As we saw throughout the boat, there's good storage space, including lockers under the berth and in the deck. The aft cabin has a double berth, a larger hullside window and another opening port. The storage is similar, including space under the berth. The head has the same separate shower stall and because of its location, it will be used as the day head as well.

Fountaine Pajot MY 37 guest cabin

Notice how the front of the berth in the forward starboard cabin tapers with the shape of the sponson.

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The head is finished primarily in molded fiberglass, which will make it easier to keep clean.

Underway. It's rare that we get the chance to run a boat in rough and calm conditions, but we were lucky enough to get just that with the MY 37. We had a stretch of protected water to record performance numbers and then we headed offshore in 20 to 25-knot winds and rolling swells. Let's start with the numbers.

Performance. We tested the MY 37 with twin 220-hp Volvo Penta diesel inboards turning straight shafts. At 4050 rpm, we reached our top speed of 21.5 knots. We found our best cruise at 3200 rpm and 15.9 knots, where we saw a combined fuel flow rate of 11.8 gph, which translated into 1.4 nmpg and a range of 385 nautical miles, while holding 10% of the boat's 316-gallon (1,200 L) fuel capacity in reserve.

Fountaine Pajot MY 37 running

In calm conditions, the MY 37 was a smooth operator, and notice the water being deflected off the spray rails on the boat's hulls.

Handling and Ride. In 3' (.91 m) swells, the boat acquitted herself well, slicing through the waves without rattling or pounding. The ride was also relatively dry thanks to the spray rails on each side of the hulls. This added buoyancy and deflected water to keep it off the decks. Even when we stopped and put the boat beam to the seas, she remained stable and felt comfortable. In head seas, she climbed up and over the waves and, like most cats, when we increased the power, the ride smoothed out. Bigger waves would produce the

sneeze effect with trapped air blowing the spray out the front of the tunnel between the hulls. Naturally, following seas were the most comfortable.

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If the boat gets caught in less-than-ideal conditions, the MY 37 can power through to get everyone home safe and sound.

Construction. Fountaine Pajot builds the boat with resin-transfer injection and infusion techniques. All internal components are built with composite materials and the combination of advanced processes and materials results in reduced weight, added strength, and boats that are environmentally friendly.

Fountaine Pajot MY 37 balsa coring

In this photo we can see the parquet-style pattern of the balsa coring that is used to strengthen the hulls.

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Fountaine Pajot uses the latest techniques in resin-infusion to ensure even saturation and distribution of resin through the laminate.

Observations

The Fountaine Pajot MY 37 puts a lot into an undersized package. It satisfies the needs of cruisers who want to extend their range without moving up to a larger vessel. For the American market, we'd like to see a few items, such as accessory switches at the helm, a horn, and a microwave oven, added to the standard-equipment list. Otherwise, she's a well-rounded power catamaran ready to take on the next adventure.