

Nimbus T9 (2020-)

Brief Summary

Nimbus' Scandinavian design team builds its boats for the yachtsman who appreciates comfort, safety and functionality. The Nimbus T9 is the first of the new 9M series of boats by the Swedish boatbuilder and she is designed as the successor to their popular Nova Series. She is the first of three versions built on the same hull, the T9 Tender, the C9 Commuter and the W9 Weekender.

Price

Base Price \$219935.00

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

- Double-step v-hull
- Fully automatic ZipWake trimtab system
- Walk-around deck design
- Enclosed head
- 8-person capacity

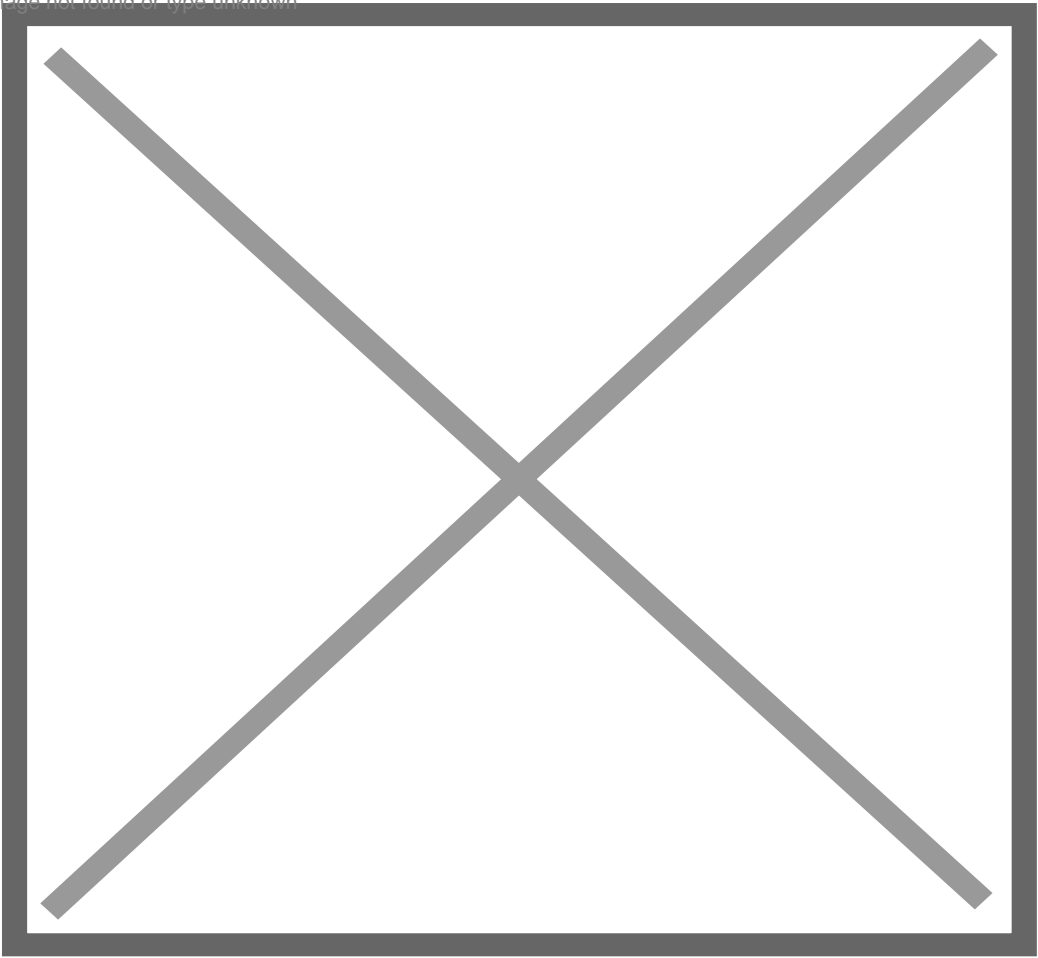
Test Results

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
600	2.7	2.3	0.7	3.8	3.3	286	248.9	63
1000	4.3	3.7	1.3	3.3	2.9	250	217.4	66
1500	6.2	5.4	1.9	3.4	2.9	253	220.3	68
2000	7.7	6.7	3.1	2.5	2.2	188	163.3	73

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
2500	8.8	7.6	5.3	1.7	1.4	126	109.6	76
3000	11.2	9.7	8.5	1.3	1.2	100	87.1	80
3500	16	13.9	10.9	1.5	1.3	111	96.5	83
4000	22.6	19.7	13.4	1.7	1.5	128	110.9	82
4500	31	27	15.3	2	1.8	154	133.6	83
5000	38.1	33.1	18.9	2	1.8	153	132.7	85
5500	43.7	38	24.8	1.8	1.5	133	115.9	86
5700	44.8	38.9	30.8	1.5	1.3	110	95.5	88

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

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Specifications

Length Overall	30'8"
BEAM	9' 8"
Dry Weight	6,173 lbs. 2,800 kg
Tested Weight	7,295 lbs. 3,309
Draft	3' 2"
Draft Up	

Draft Down	
Air Draft	
Deadrise/Transom	
Max Headroom	
Bridge Clearance	
Weight Capacity	8
Person Capacity	
Fuel Capacity	84.5 gal
Water Capacity	14.8 gal
Length on Trailer	
Height on Trailer	
Trailer Weight	
Total Weight	7,295 lbs. 3,309
Aft Deck	
Salon Inside Width	
Salon Fore & Aft	
Salon Height	

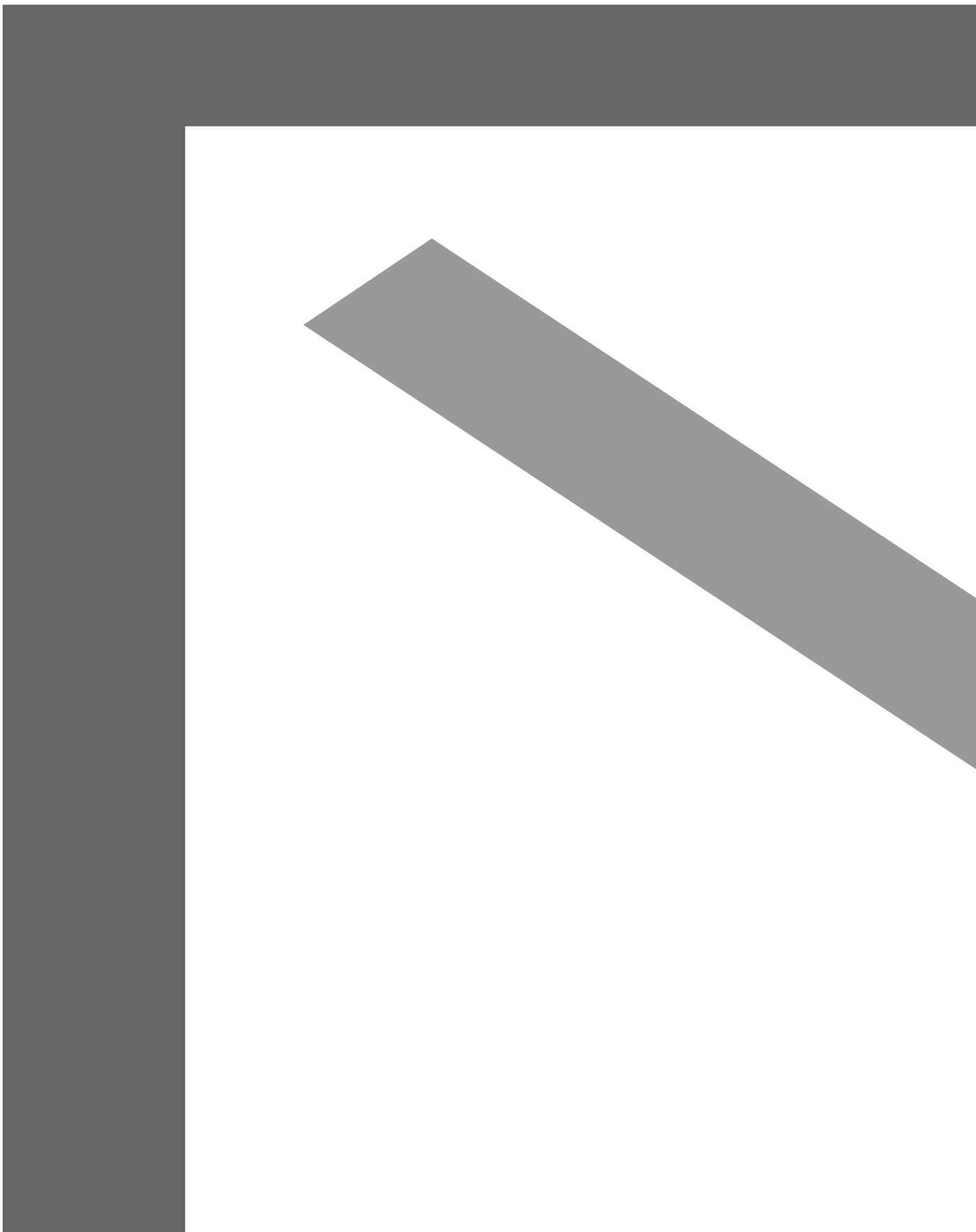
Salon Volume	
Galley Volume	
Master SR Width	
Master SR fore & Aft	
Master SR Overhead	
Master SR Volume	
Eng. Room Volume	

Acceleration Times & Conditions

Time to Plane	5.4 sec.
0 to 20	
Ratio	
Props	14.5x17 Enertia
Load	4 persons, 1/2 fuel, 1/2 water, 50 lbs. of gear
Climate	80 deg., 68 humid; wind: 5-10 mph; seas: <1

By Capt. Nick Martinez

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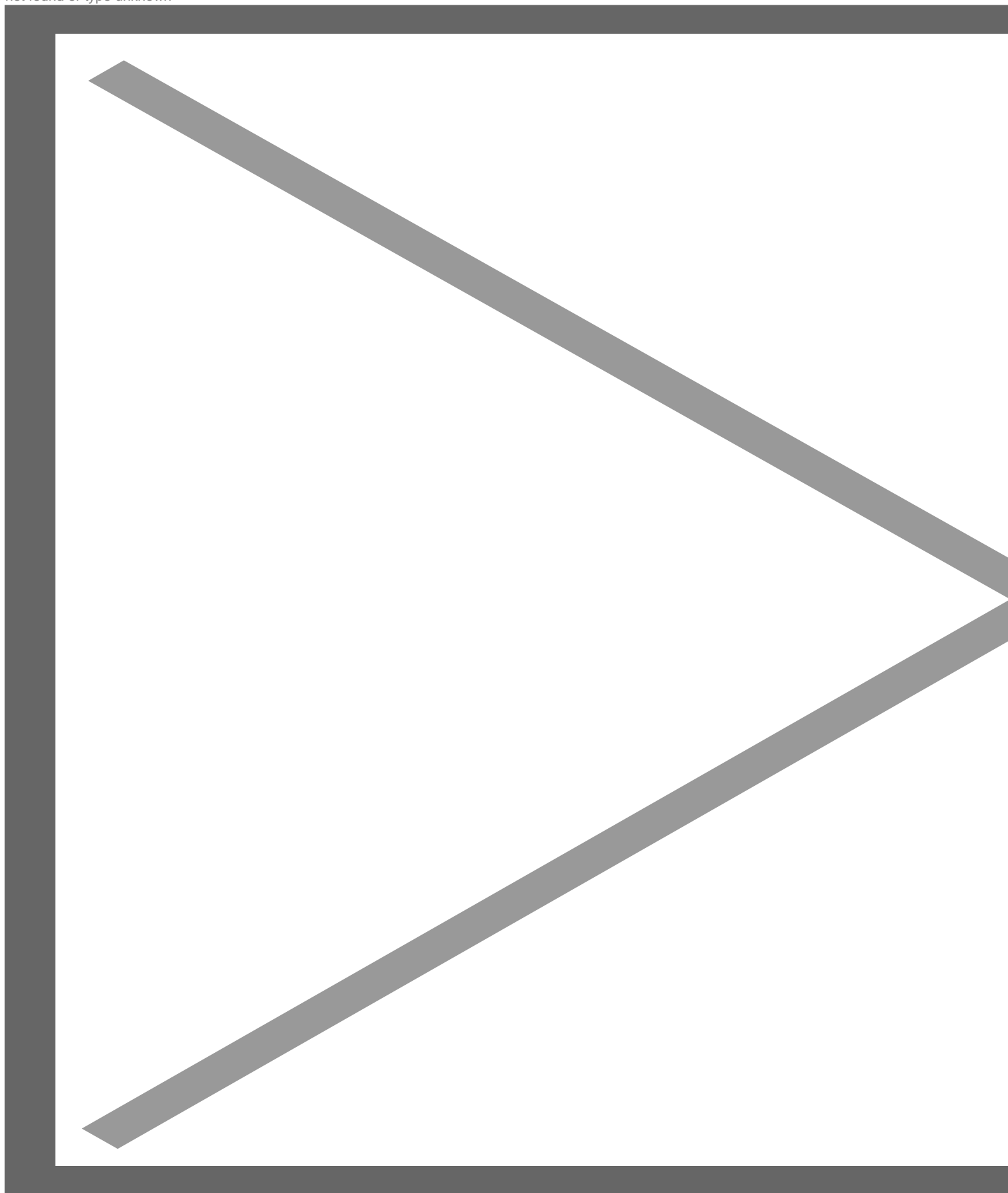
The Nimbus T9 is a fast tender that reached up to 45 mph in our tests.

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The Nimbus T9's twin stepped V-hull is designed for smooth cruising capability.

Overview

The Nimbus T9 is a 30'8" (9.35 m) day boat that is intended for versatile recreational boating. With its twin stepped hull, open cockpit, inboard or outboard engine options this boat is sure to peak interest from people looking for a configurable walk-around dayboat. It comes standard with a 250-hp Mercury outboard in the U.S. with multiple engine upgrades to the Mercury 300 or 350-hp Verado engines. It also does have an inboard version available in Europe.



The T9 comes standard with a Mercury Verado V8 250-hp outboard. Our test boat was powered by an optional Mercury 350 Verado outboard engine.

Major Features

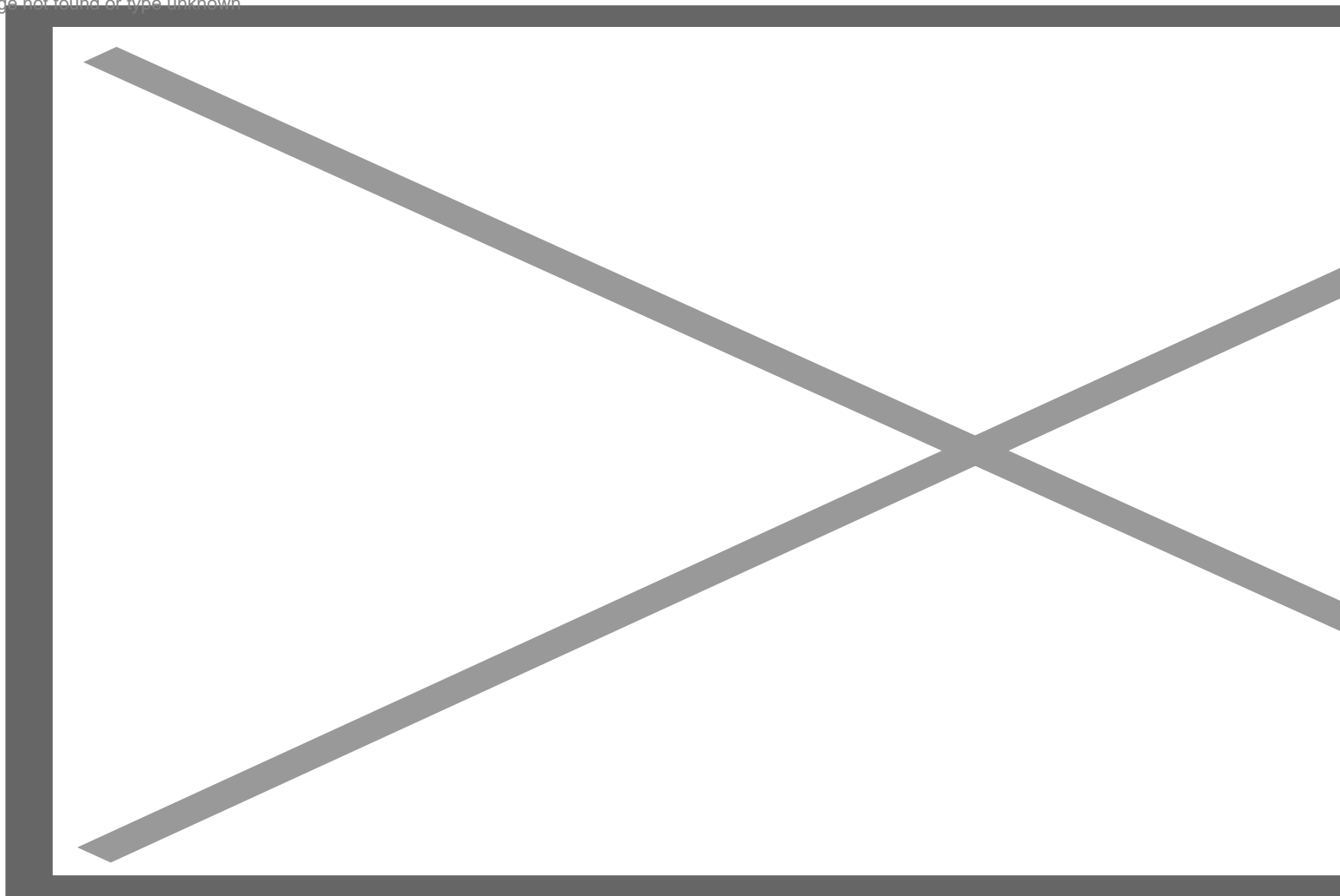
- Large sturdy rubber rub rail
- Bow thruster
- 250-hp Mercury Verado outboard
- Open bow rail for forward boarding

Design

Nimbus T9 design
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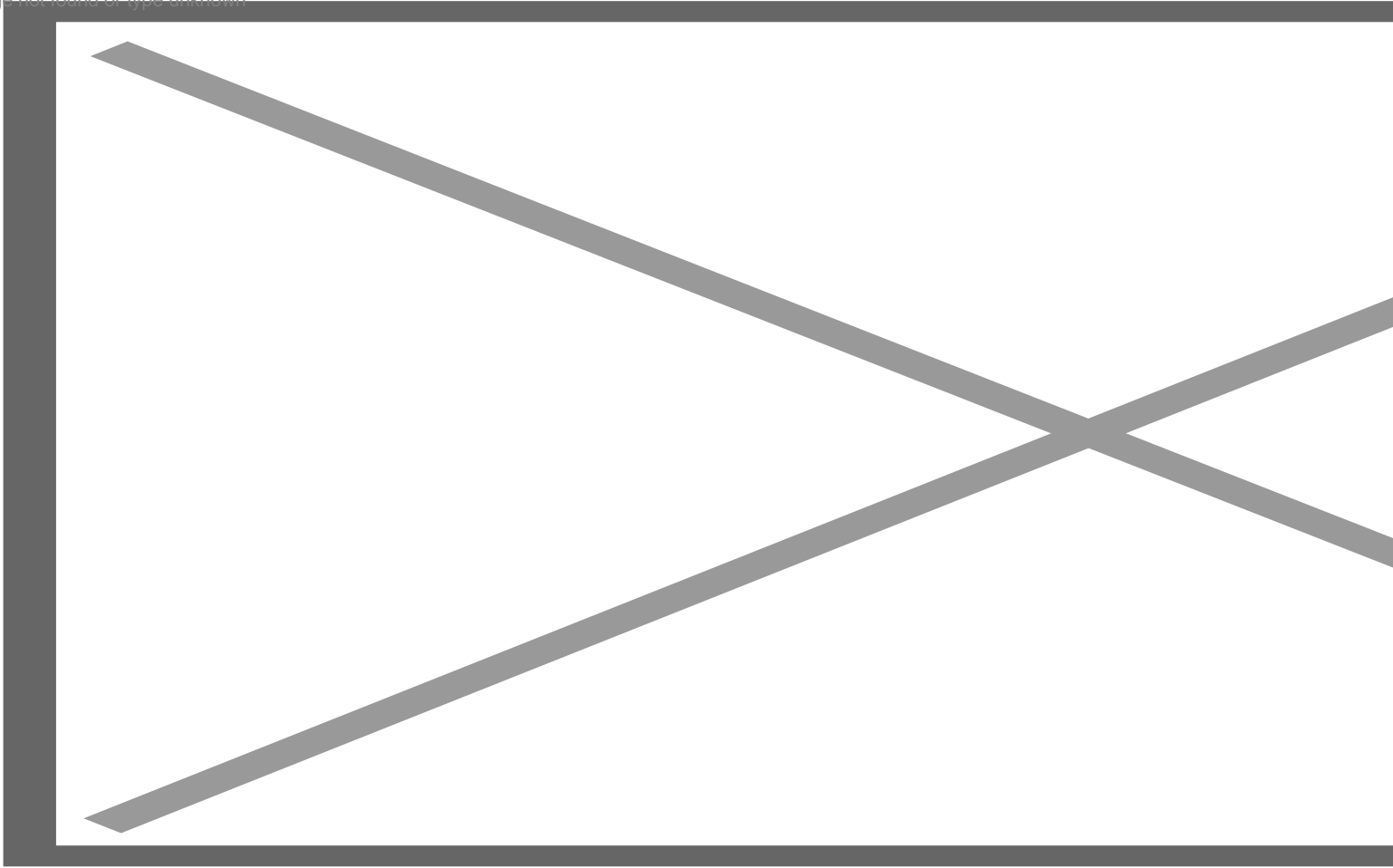
The Nimbus T9 has an open uncluttered design, meant to accommodate multiple passengers without feeling cramped.

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The Nimbus T9 has a twin stepped hull for a low planing threshold and a smooth cruising ride.

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The T9 is fitted with an interior cabin with a head to be able to accommodate long excursions.

Commuter T9

The Nimbus C9 is the commuter version of this 9-meter series, featuring an enclosed pilothouse.

Nimbus Weekender

Nimbus' W9 Weekender is designed for social and overnight activities. She can accommodate sleeping up to four people and notice she adds large side windows and a collapsible Bimini top.

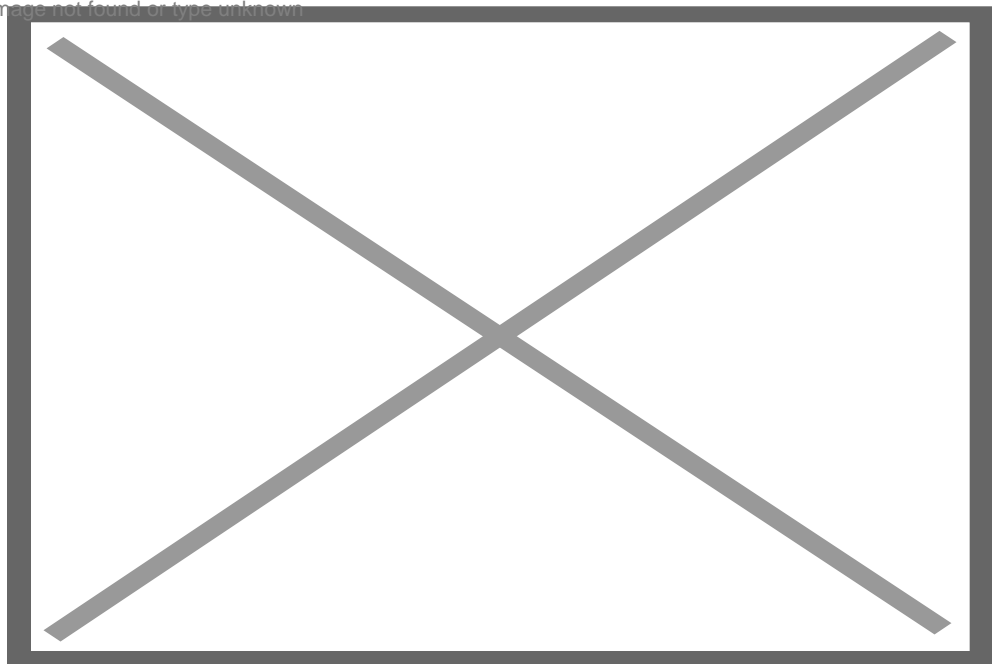
Features Inspection

The Cockpit

The Nimbus T9's cockpit shows the intended versatility in the design. The aft deck can be fitted-out with a straight sofa, that provides considerably more space, or it can be configured with a U-shaped sofa with seating for five. There is also a foldable teak table on two fixed pedestals just forward of the couch, the table is removable and stows into a dedicated insert in the in-deck storage when not in use. That insert is

also removable for access to the bilge pumps and fresh water tank. With the table stowed away, the center backrest can be removable and fits between the two side cushions to convert to a sun pad. In addition, there is storage under each of the sofa seats.

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The T9 has an open cockpit design that's not only good for socializing but comfortable while in transit as well.

Wet Bar

To enhance the social aspect of the T9 there is an optional wet bar that can be installed just behind the helm seats. The wet bar storage is covered by a hatch and padded bolster. The Wet bar comes with a sink, portable Weber gas grill, a Corian top, and storage underneath. There is also a grab rail just forward of the wet bar in the event there is a little rocking while cooking.

Fold away gas grill/wet bar

Notice how the wet bar, even when in use, does not impinge the amount of space for mobility around the T9.

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teak table

The aft teak table is foldable and attached to two fixed pedestals to convert the lounge area to a dining area.

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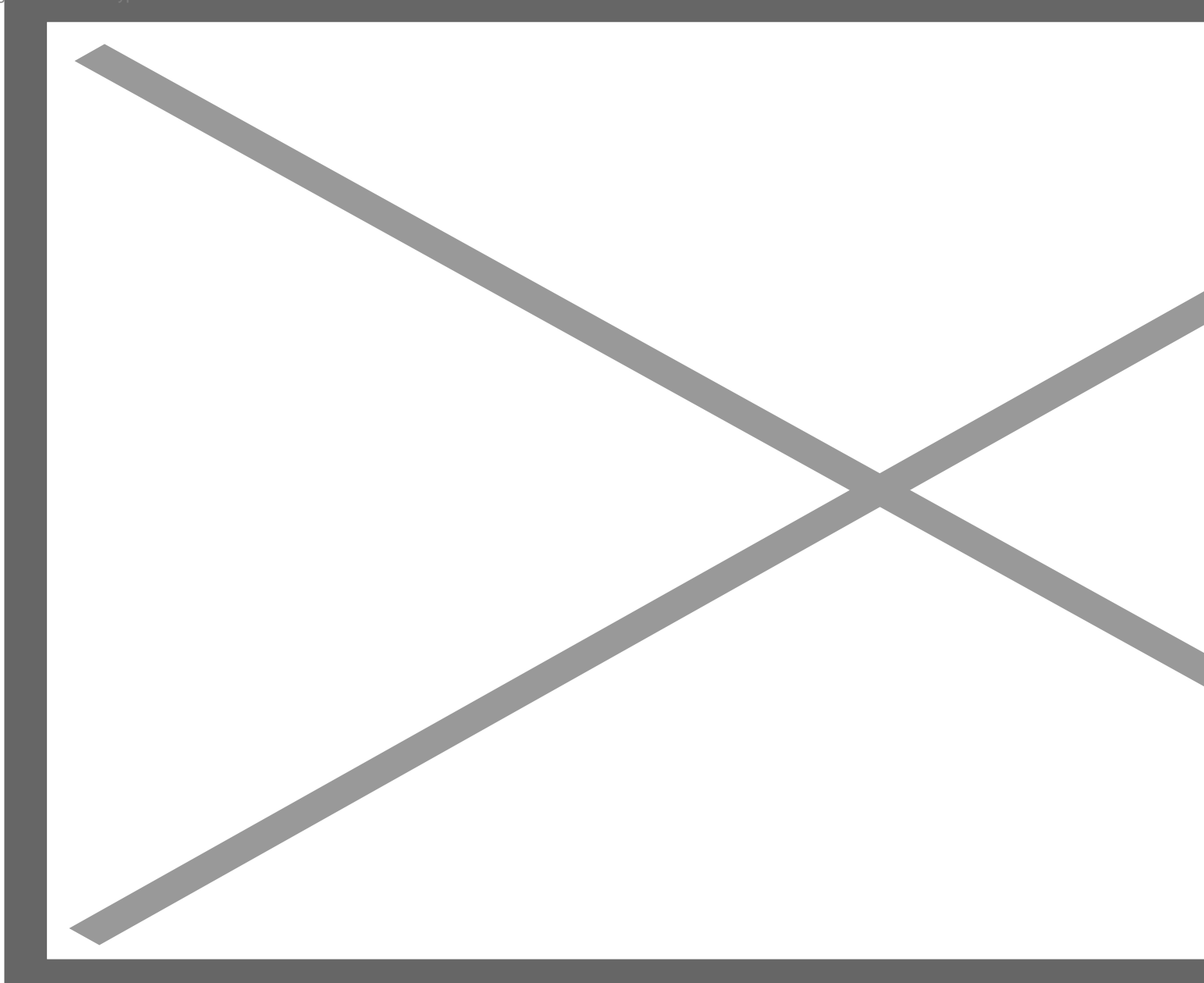
Aft table

The cockpit table when folded not only provides more room around the cockpit but provides four cup holders and notice the recessed hinges.

In-deck storage

There are removable brackets in the in-deck compartment that provide dedicated storage for the table and pedestals. With the bracket removed, we have unimpeded access to the bilge, fresh water tank, and pump below.

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The heavy-duty brackets that support the backrest also permit it to be converted into a sun pad between the two side sofa seats.

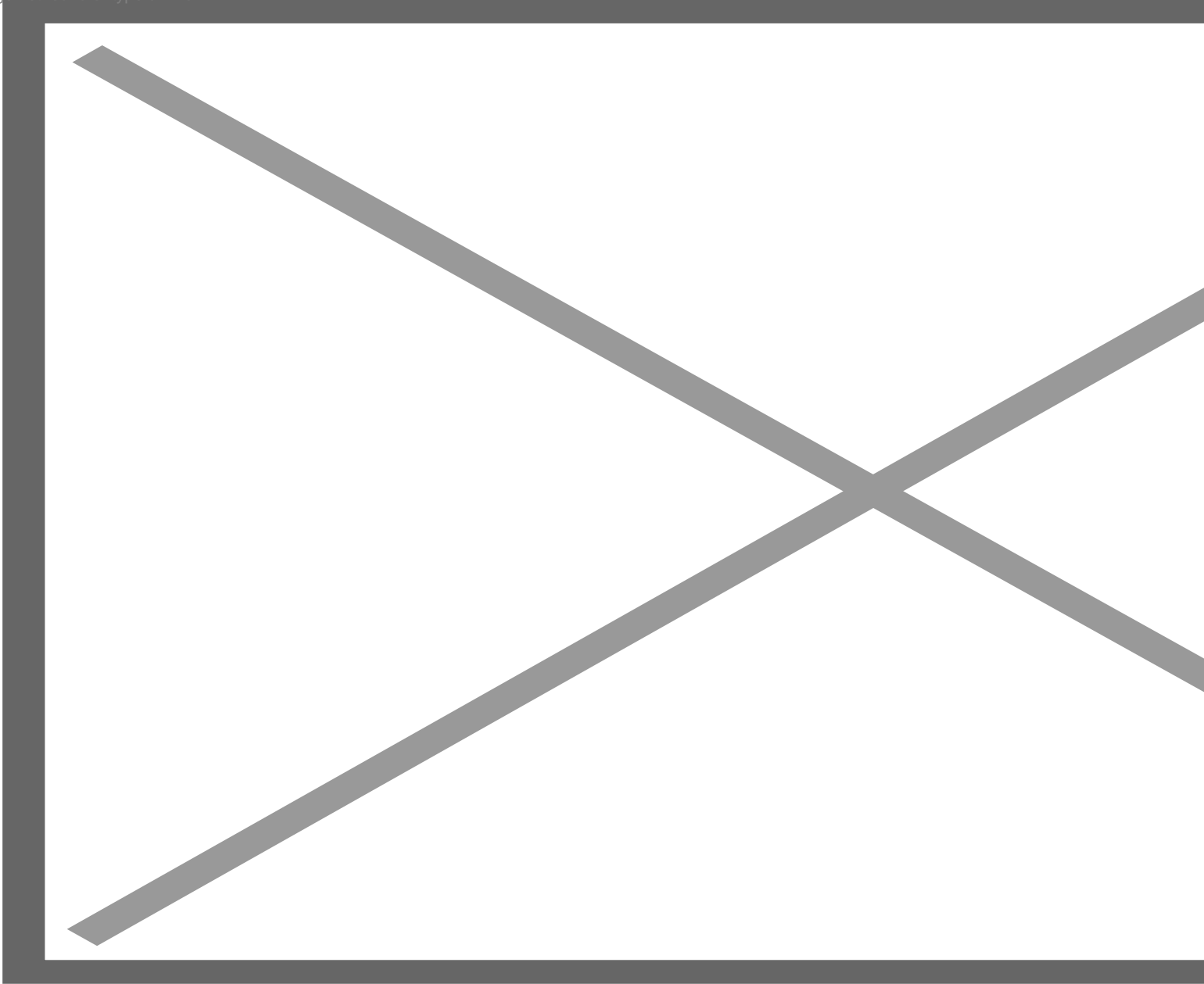
After sun pad

With the table stowed away, the center backrest can be used to create a sun-pad measuring 78" x 42" (198.12 cm x 106.68 cm).

Couch Storage

There are three storage compartments in the aft sofa area, one center and one to the port and starboard side. Notice under each port and starboard side seat storage there is a shoe cubby. One of many thoughtful designs touches that Nimbus adds to the T9.

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The center storage is actually a tub that can be removed so that it can fill it up elsewhere and replaced. It also allows access to the bilge pumps underneath when removed.

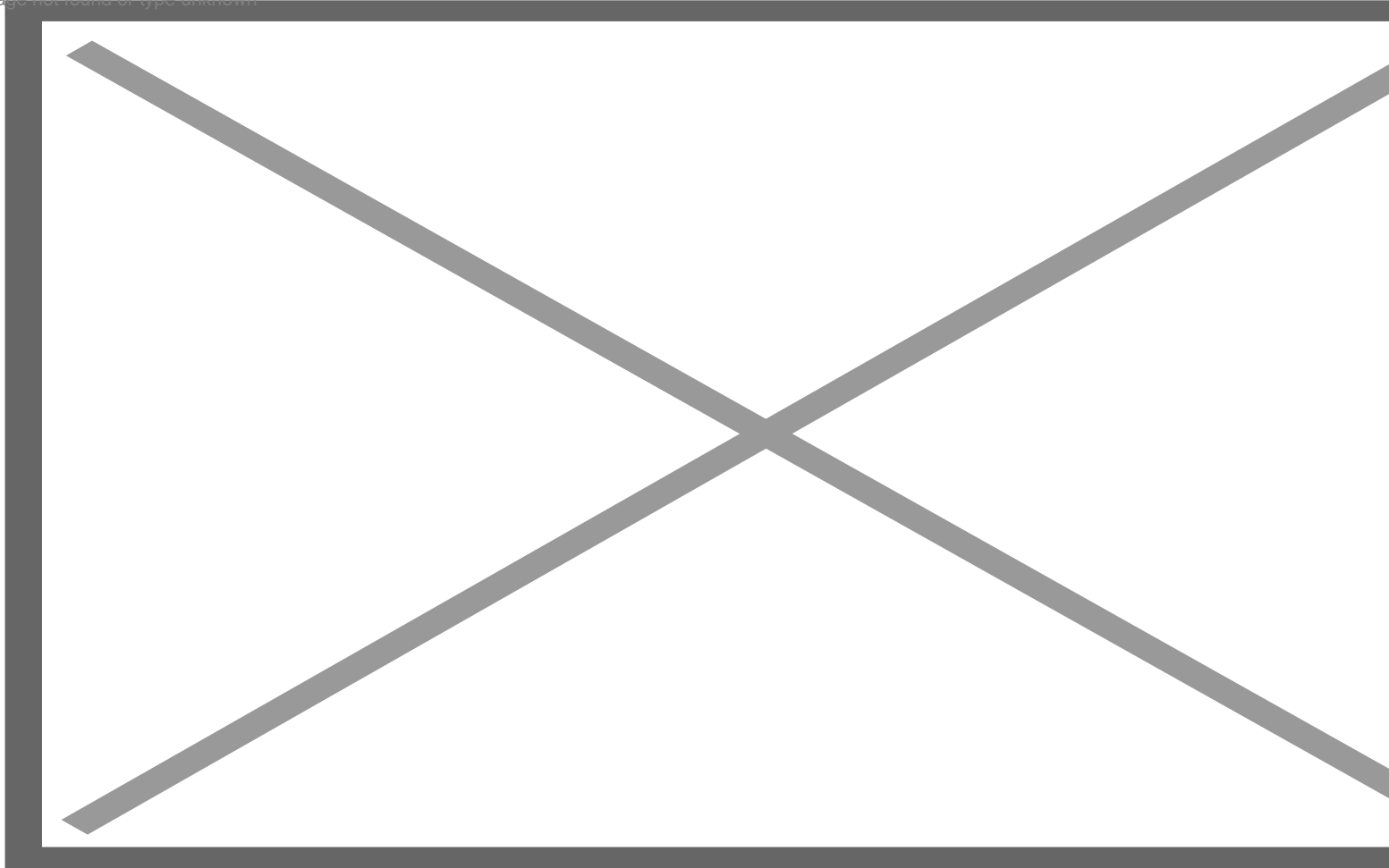
Stern

The entertainment aspects continue aft to the stern of the boat. There is a 7" (17.78 cm) step by the aft seat and another 3" (7.62 cm) step just before the swim platform. When walking to the stern of the boat we notice that the bulwarks are 29" (73.66 cm) high with the rails going up to 31" (78.74 cm), far exceeding ABCY standards. The whole platform is covered in teak decking, continuing the style of the rest of the deck. Notice there are high grab rails to both sides of the reboarding ladder making it easier to get in and out of the water. One of the more important aspects of the stern is the two platforms that extend past the engine. In case of an error docking, the platforms take the hit, not the engine. Another nice design feature is that even with the extended platform, it takes into account the full turning radius of the outboard while leaving us maximum space.

Aft swim platform

The aft swim platform extends past the engine providing a handy place to board the boat.

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There are high bulwarks with rails that far exceed ABCY standards, making it that much safer and more comfortable to walk around the decks.

deep storage
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On both starboard and port quarters there are deep storage lockers alongside 10" (25.40 cm) oversized cleats.

swim ladder
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The swim ladder folds and telescopes with high grab rails above for easy reboarding from the water.

Engine up
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The engine can tilt fully out of the water even with the center platform in the closed position.

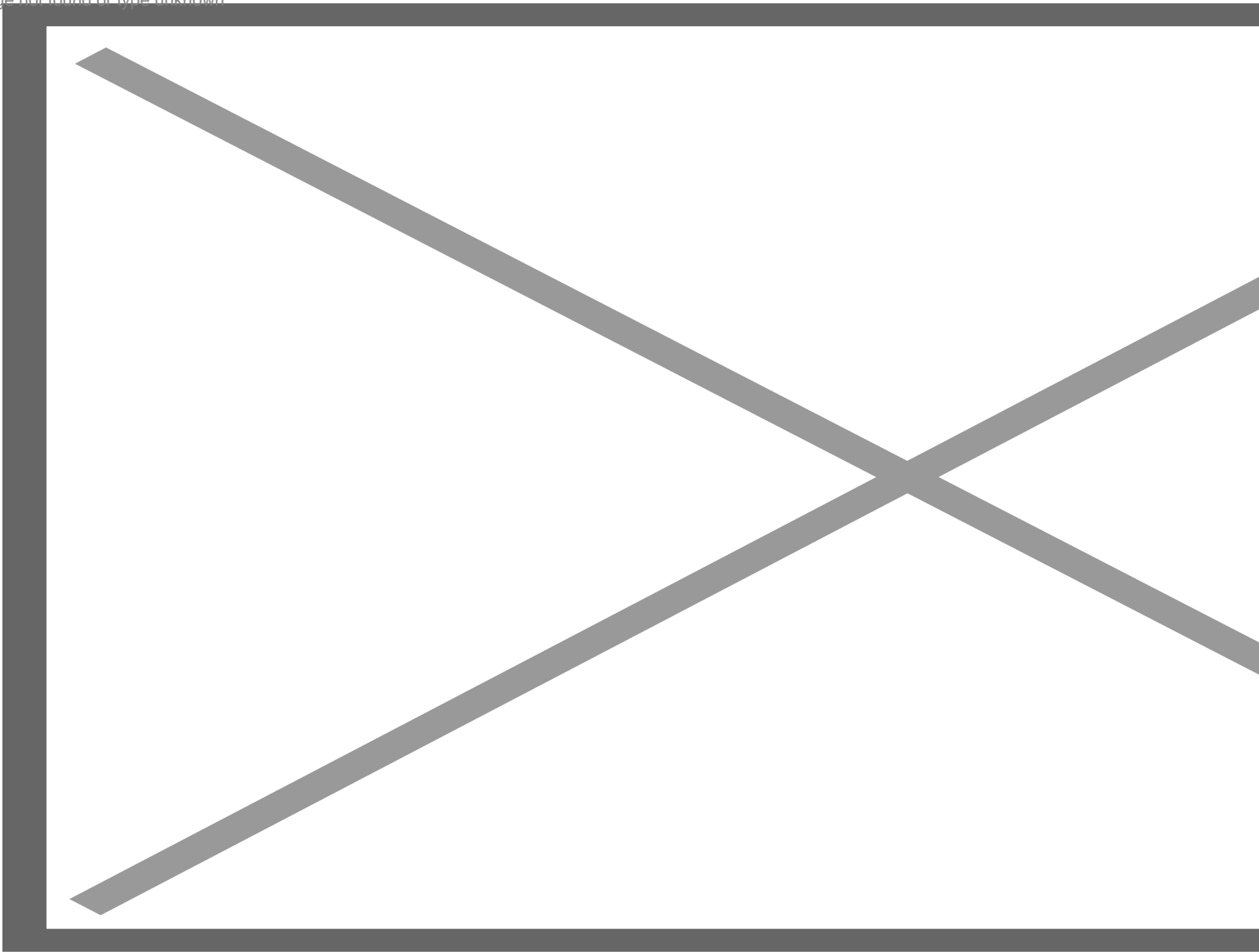
Optional Tops

The Nimbus T9 comes standard with a hard T-top, but it can be deleted from the build. It includes plenty of LED lighting, a grab rail around the trailing edge with six rocket launcher style rod holders. On the perimeter, there are tracks for a canvas that will go all the way to the down attaching to deck fitting to will enclose the entire area. The hardtop also comes with an electric opening sunroof that has guttered edges to prevent water on top from entering the boat. The hardtop not only adds additional functionality to the T9 but also adds to the good looking profile of the boat as well.

LED lighting
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There are LED lights throughout the boat that are included in the optional hardtop.

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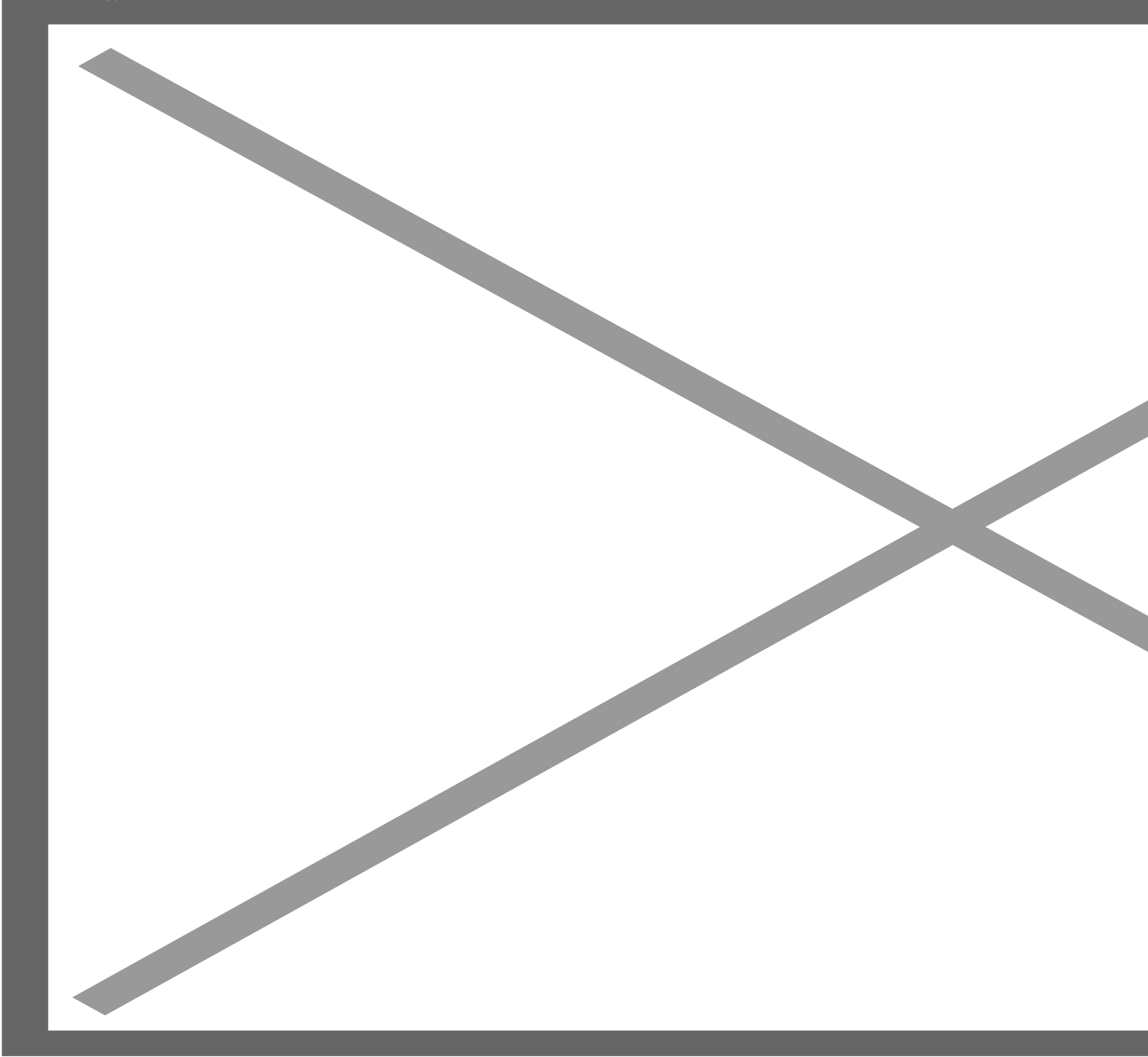
Notice the large opening of the sunroof with its guttered edges to help water escape and keep the area dry underneath.

The Bow

There are 10" (25.40 cm) steps on each side of the console that lead to 15" (38.10 cm) wide side decks. The bulwarks come up to 17" (43.18 cm) and the rails top out at 23" (58.42 cm). There is also LED courtesy lighting around the bulwarks. Forward of the helm console, there is a 46" (116.84 cm) wide seat that can open to the cabin underneath allowing ventilation or simply load gear in. Fully forward there is a 13" (33.02 cm) elevated platform, covered in teak, that leads to a split bow rail design suitable for bow-in boarding. In the center of the platform is a hatch that exposes the anchor locker and a Lewmar anchor

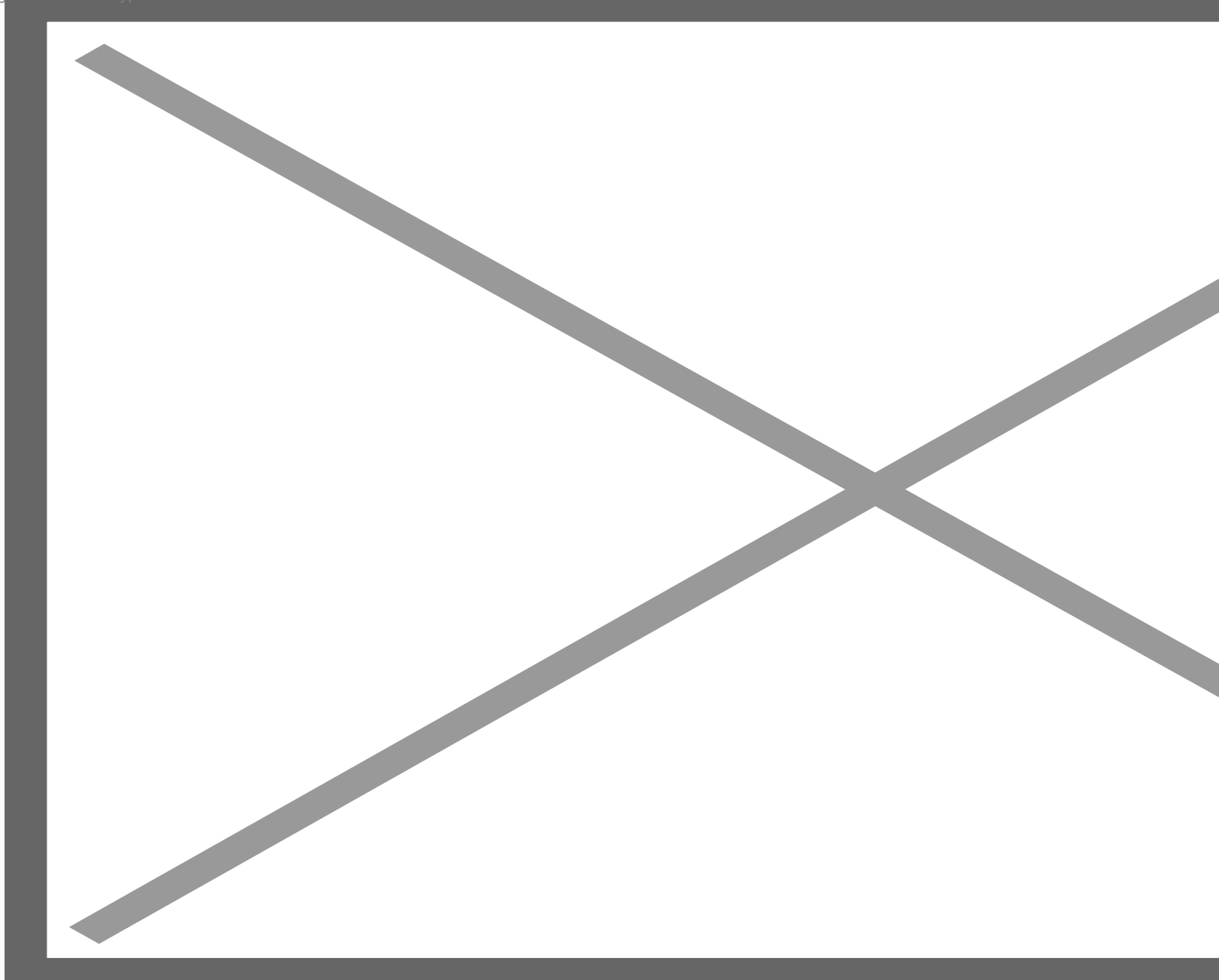
windlass. There are also accommodations to the side for line storage. There is also an option to add padded side bolsters that attach to both port and starboard side bulwarks as well as another optional foldable teak table attached to two fixed pedestals.

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All of the deckings on the Nimbus T9 is teak from bow to stern.

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There is a 10" (25.40 cm) step that leads to the 15" (38.10 cm) wide side decks, leaving plenty of space to walk around.

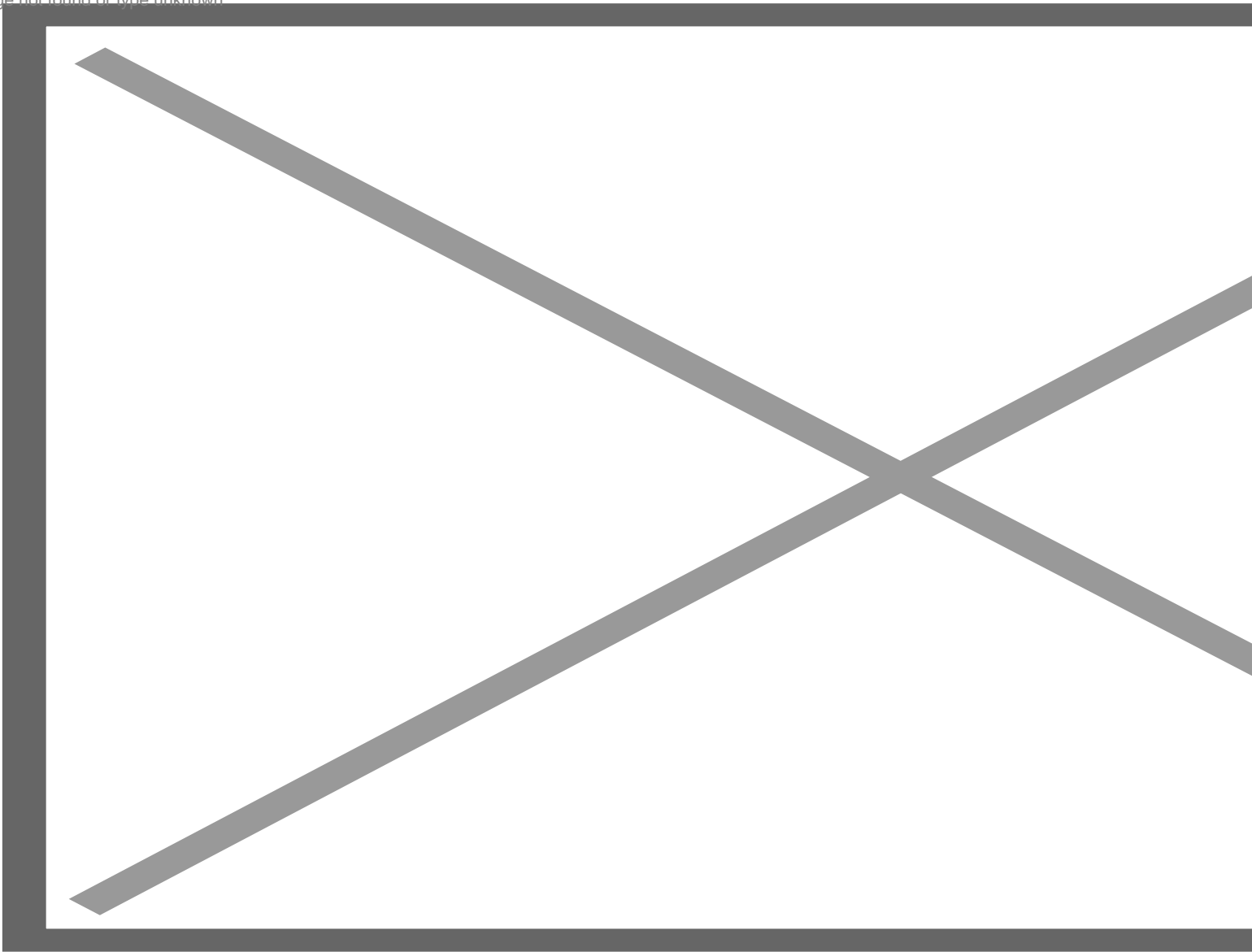
front seat

The forward seat is wide enough to fit two people with convenient grab handles on each side.

cabin entrance

The front seat doubles as a gas strut assisted hatch for the cabin. Notice interior grab rail for closing from the inside.

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Notice how the corner of the trunk cabin and the bulwark mirror each other to keep a consistent side deck clearance.

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anchor box

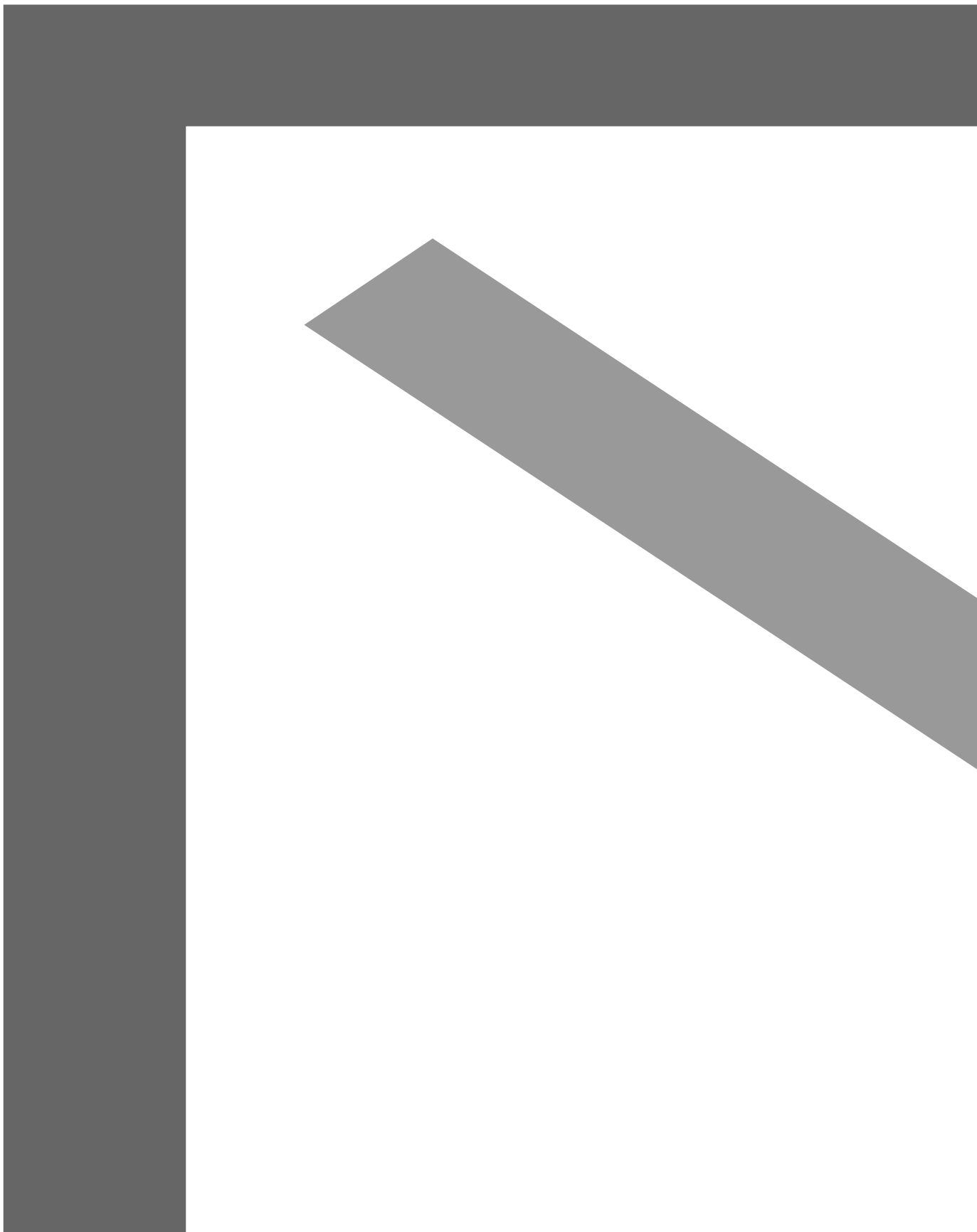
Inside the anchor there easy access to rode storage. There is an optional Lewmar windlass, and notice to the side there are hangers for dock lines.

The Helm

The T9 has an ergonomic starboard side helm with an adjustable captain and observer seat, both with flip-up bolsters. It comes standard with a 9" (22.86 cm) Garmin MFD (Multi-Function Display), but there is also the option to have a 12"(30.48 cm), 16"(40.64 cm) or dual 12" (30.48 cm) displays that are connected to the

engine, so no need for gauges. The compass is in line with the helm and mounted on a soft-touch dash. The digital throttle and bow thruster control are right alongside the steering wheel, which is on a tilt base. The ZipWake trim tab system control is located right under the throttle. There is a SmartCraft gauge on the left side of the helm with accessory buttons on top. A Fusion stereo head is located on the starboard helm bulwark with a storage cubby just below.

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The windshield was right in Captain Steve's line of sight when going slow but when up on plane he had a clear line of sight.

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The breaker panel and a fire extinguisher are located just below the adjustable captain and observer seats.

Nimbus T9 helm found or type unknown

The Nimbus T9 helm comes standard with a Garmin 9"(22.86 cm) display that is also keyed into its Mercury engine to show all its instrumentation, eliminating the need for gauges.

Nimbus helm found or type unknown

The helm has a leather-wrapped custom steering wheel that is on a tilt base.

Electronic throttle found or type unknown

The throttle, thruster, and trim tab controls are all right alongside the steering wheel and all within comfortable reach.

Trim tab system found or type unknown

The ZipWake auto-trim system also comes standard with the T9.

Fusion stereo found or type unknown

There is a convenient storage cubby under the Fusion stereo that has plenty of room. Notice the USB connectivity port just above.

Port side refrigerator found or type unknown

To the port side, there are lighting controls, another small cubby and a refrigerator perfect for the captain's beverages.

Cabin

You enter the cabin through a port side flying door. Under the entrance, there is a comfortable seat. The cabin has an overhead clearance of 4'11" (1.49 m), 3'5" (1.04 m) over the seat, and 2'5" (0.74 m) over the bed. There are storage pockets to the aft and port bulkheads. The easily accessible head has 4' 11"(1.49 m) of overhead clearance and comes with a molded vanity sink.

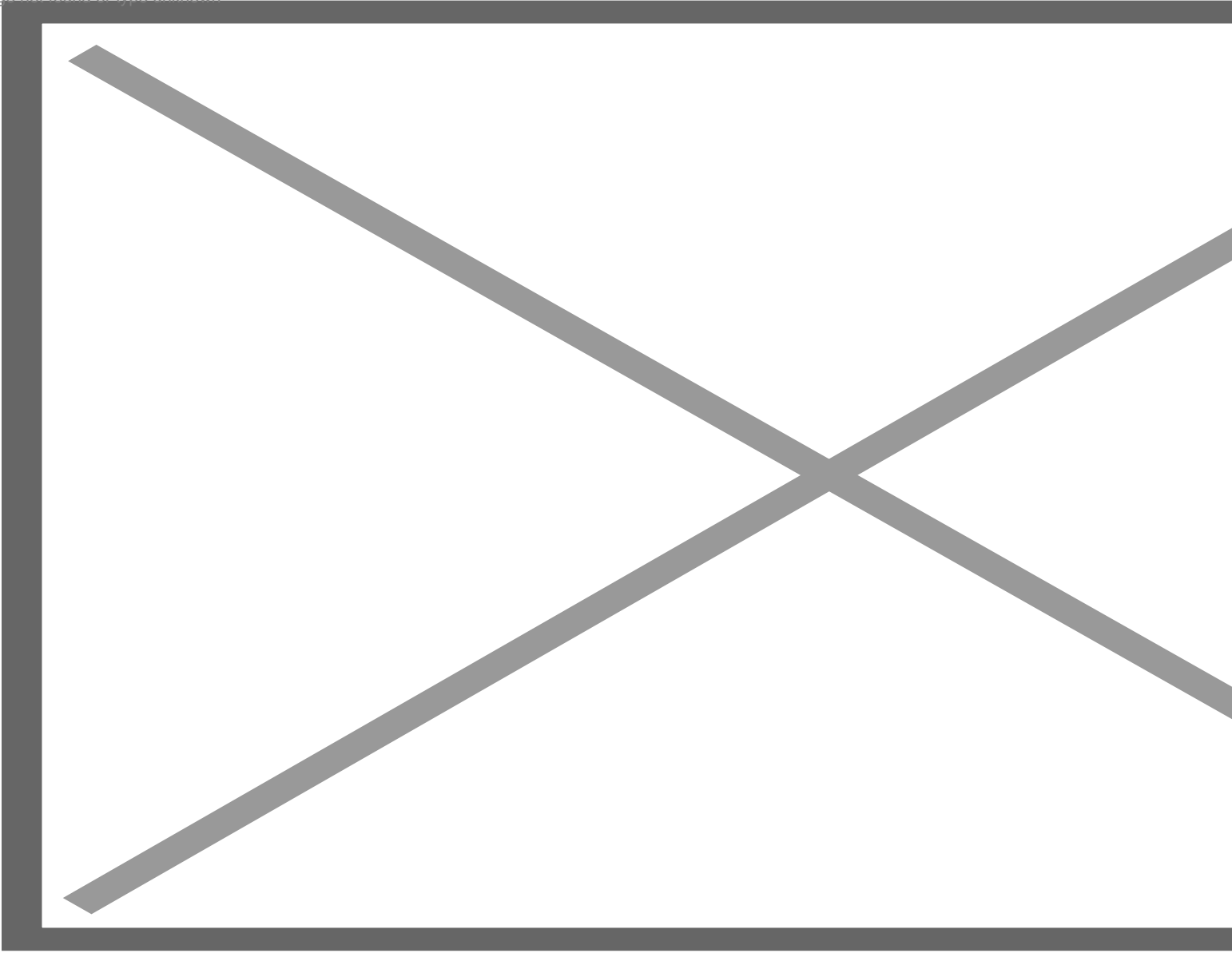
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Just inside the entrance, there are storage pockets on the bulkhead as well as under the step.

interior bed found or type unknown

The V-berth could accommodate two people.

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The head has 4'11" (1.49 cm) of overhead clearance with a long mirror just above the sink and a hullside window for ventilation.

Head

The head comes with plenty of counter space, a small sink, and a manual pump type toilet.

Performance

Nimbus T9

The Nimbus T9 has a top speed of 45 mph at 5700 rpm and a best cruise of 31 mph at 4500 rpm.

The Nimbus T9 has an LOA of 30'6" (9.29 m), a beam of 9'7" (2.92 m), and a draft of 17" (33.18 cm). With 42-gallons (159 L) of fuel and 10-gallons (38 L) and four people aboard our test boat, we had an estimated test weight of 7,295 lbs. (3,309 kg).

With a single Mercury 350 Verado 4.6L V8 engine turning a 14.5" x 17" Enertia propeller, we hit a top speed of 45 mph at 5700 rpm. We found our best cruise speed at 4500 rpm at 31 mph. With a fuel burn of 15.3 gph, that translated into 1.8 nmpg and a range of 133.6 nautical miles, all while holding back a 10-percent reserve of the boats 84-gallon (317.98-L) total fuel capacity. At trolling speed, we recorded 2.7 mph at 600 rpm and 3.7 mph at 1000 rpm. The T9 planed at 11.6 mph in 5.4 seconds, we reached 20 mph in 16.2 seconds and 30 mph at 23.9 seconds.

Handling

She handled well at cruising speed and afforded a comfortable ride. With the flared out hull, we noticed she was also a very dry ride even going through our camera boat's chop. She was responsive at the helm but at high speed turns there was a good amount of ventilation so it is best to avoid a lot of cranking and banking. There was a little hull slap only when going above cruising speed. The T9 handled well in turns, sliding nicely with no chine walk at all.

Engine Options

Outboard

- Mercury Verado V8 300-hp (\$4,000)
- Mercury Verado V8 350-hp (\$9,647)

Inboards (not currently available in the USA)

- Volvo Penta V8 CE/DPS 350-hp (\$3,176)
- Mercury Diesel 3.0L V6 270-hp (\$19,059)

Options

- Wet bar with water, sink, cushion, and portable Weber gas grill (\$3,400)
- U-shaped sofa (\$1,741)
- Water-ski pole (\$ 541)
- Fishing rode holders (\$1,094)

- Bow Lewmar windlass (\$3,506)
- Top with electronic canvas roof system (\$13,412)

Pricing

MSRP \$219,935

Observations

Overall, the Nimbus T9 is an impressive boat. The amount of space is the first thing that catches our eye on this boat but there is also plenty of functionality throughout. She was easy to use and was comfortable all around as a good day boat, all while having the capability of being an overnighiter. Comfort, functionality, and ease of use are the top three things that we appreciated about this boat. It all came together in the Nimbus T9.