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**Mustang 430 Sports Coupe**  
Hot and Horny

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Luxury Cruising

**Nordhavn 43**  
Serious Passagemaker

● **GREEN CRUISING**  
Diesel Electric Hybrid Power

● **MAKING GOOD WATER**  
Convenient and Healthy

● **REPLACE OF RENOVATE**  
Extending a Brava Cat

## Nordhavn 75 Expedition Yachtfisher #2 arrives in the US



The second Nordhavn 75 Expedition Yachtfisher has been shipped to the Nordhavn office in Stuart, FL.

The powder blue-hulled number 2 boat marked the 75 Expedition Yachtfisher's public debut at the Palm Beach International Boat Show in late March. Nordhavn has taken what it does best – build long range luxury expedition yachts – and incorporated all the fishing features and rigging

found on tournament sportfishers to create a yacht that can truly go after any species of fish, anywhere in the world. An enormous fishing cockpit, dual 60-gallon baitwells, a 35-cubic-foot deep freezer, plentiful gear and tackle storage, and all the rod holders and rigging a deep-sea angler could ever want, top a long list of fishing features.

[www.nordhavn.com](http://www.nordhavn.com)



## Leopard Cats tested in Atlantic crossings

Delivery captain, Piet Schepers can't get enough of a good thing. Schepers and two crewmates recently put a new Leopard 37s to the test, delivering the Morrelli & Melvin-designed recreational power catamaran from Robertson & Caine's Capetown, South Africa production facility to the Moorings Village in Tortola, BVI.

Loaded with 2875 litres of fuel, 145 litres of water and additional gear, the crew left Cape Town in early in December. On its maiden transatlantic crossing, the Leopard 37 travelled 1,740 nautical miles before stopping to refuel at the remote island of St. Helena in the South Atlantic.

The Leopard 37 sprinted another 2,559 nautical miles to make landfall in Fortaleza, Brazil. Rested and reprovisioned, Schepers and the Leopard 37 crew headed 2,335 nautical miles north and to celebrated the New Year in Tortola, BVI.

The Leopard 37 encountered winds from 0 to 35 miles per hour and seas from every direction during the crossing. Waves broke over the boat



and showered Schepers on the bridge deck, but that did not stop him from going back for more. No sooner had delivered the Leopard 37 to the Moorings charter fleet than did Schepers return to South Africa to repeat the performance.

Schepers and his crew also found the Leopard 37 to be very fuel-efficient. At the outset of their voyage, they encountered winds of 35 miles per hour across the beam and 12 to 15-foot waves. With one motor averaging 2,200 rpm, they made 7 knots and consumed 1.5 litres of diesel per nautical mile. The pleased captain

reported topping 17 miles per hour at times when the Leopard 37 surfed down waves.

Late in their transatlantic crossing they encountered calmer conditions and found "motoring in flat water with the wind from the stern to be comfortable and a breeze!"

Comfortable with the seaworthiness of these cruising powercats, Robertson & Caine has two other Leopard 37's en route from South Africa to Tortola in time for the peak Caribbean charter season.

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