

● 50 foot fiberglass **Hatteras** Convertible







**(1) A fine family yacht for living,  
entertaining and cruising.**



## **(2) A superb Sportfisherman for those angle**





**rs who want to go for the big deep-water fish!**





# Hatteras Pioneered Large Fiberglass Motor Yachts

Hatteras Yacht Company, which began business in late 1959, spent a full year researching and developing plans to build a fiberglass boat in the 40 ft. range. At that time, there had been only a few custom, laminated fiberglass boats built. There were none being produced on a production line basis with prices that would make them reasonable enough for general buying.

Don Mucklow, now Vice President of Research and Development, built in 1957 the first fiberglass boat to win the strenuous Miami-Nassau race. It was only natural that Hatteras would seek him out at the start. Don had been experimenting and building boats of fiberglass for more than ten years at that time. Because of his early experience, he is considered one of the most knowledgeable men in the fiberglass boat manufacturing today.

When Hatteras pioneered the first large production-built fiberglass boat, Mucklow was there to direct and teach men how to build, tool, and lay-up fiberglass boats correctly. Also working with Mucklow were consultants from Owens-Corning Fiberglas.

The success that Hatteras has had in seven years shows that the founder of the Company had visualized and has filled an important need in an area of the boating industry. Today, older companies who have been building with traditional materials are following Hatteras by bringing out large fiberglass boats to share in the expansive market that Hatteras unveiled.

## **Gibbs & Cox specifications**

Owens-Corning Fiberglas helped develop the Hatteras, as did Gibbs & Cox, architects and marine engineers. (The Hatteras is built to Gibbs & Cox specifications.)

New techniques and improvements are constantly being added by Hatteras management.

## **J. B. Hargrave design**

The designer is J. B. Hargrave, whose business is designing yachts costing \$250,000 and up.

## **One-piece hull provides safety and spaciousness**

The Hatteras one-piece fiberglass hull has no seams or joints. Because of this unitized (one-piece) construction and the inherent high impact resistance of reinforced fiberglass, the Hatteras hull can absorb more severe blows than other hulls of traditional materials.

Longitudinal stringers of molded fiberglass, integrally bonded marine plywood bulkheads and decks sealed in polyester resins result in strong, yet resilient hull construction.

Hatteras yachts are exceptionally seaworthy. Fiberglass permits a hull contour which virtually eliminates pounding, yawing and broaching. Even at high speeds in heavy seas, the molded flare of the hull throws water off in a low flat arc.

Fiberglass construction eliminates ribs, beams, and frames, so you obtain more usable interior space. So it is possible to design deckhouse, galley, staterooms and heads to make life aboard more convenient and comfortable.

Fiberglass reinforced construction will take an enormous amount of abuse that would normally put a wood boat either in dry dock or in the deep six. We have tale upon tale from owners who have inadvertently subjected their Hatteras hulls to unbelievable situations and had only minor damage that was easily repaired.

## **Easy to maintain**

The one-piece, molded fiberglass hull eliminates leaks, dry rot, corrosion, and is immune to attack from marine organisms. It will not soak up oil, gasoline or diesel fuel. The danger (and odors) of fuel and oil-soaked bilges are eliminated. The launched weight remains static, cannot be increased by soaking up water.

There's no swelling, cracking or shrinking. No repainting of the hull and superstructure is required for protection. You can paint for appearance, if you want to.

We use fire resistant resin in our fiberglass fuel tanks. We feel these tanks are safer, offering insulation from heat not available with metal tanks. There is also no exposure to metal fatigue, weld failures or corrosion. Hatteras tank designs are accepted by the U.S. Coast Guard and major marine insurance companies. Less condensation is another benefit that makes our tanks much more desirable to the owner than any other type of construction.

## **Navy has used fiberglass since 1946**

One of the factors that influenced Hatteras to pioneer large production-built fiberglass yachts was the fact that the Navy had been purchasing fiberglass boats since 1946 and had found them exceptionally strong, seaworthy, and requiring a minimum of maintenance. (In fact, a majority of the boats bought or built in recent years by the Navy and the Coast Guard are of fiberglass construction.)

When you buy a Hatteras you know that you are obtaining a boat built to exacting standards by thoroughly trained and experienced craftsmen. Ask any Hatteras owner.



This 50 Ft. fiberglass Hatteras Convertible offers a new dimension in boating for sportfishermen and yachtsmen.

For the sportfisherman who is considering buying a large custom-built boat, it might be worth his while to examine this new Hatteras 50 Convertible.

It is 50 feet overall with 15'10" beam and a 4' draft. It was designed by Jack Hargrave who incorporated many features found only in large boats.

A few, if any, large sportfishing boats today (and then only custom-built boats at that) combine so many luxurious details with so many practical features as in this Hatteras Convertible.

Actually, this 50 foot yacht provides all the living conveniences and comfort desired for family cruising and for entertaining.

When it is converted to a Sportfisherman with the addition of outriggers, fighting chair and the optional bait and tackle box with freezer, it becomes a boat that will please the sportsman who loves to fish for the big ones in the tournaments from Montauk to Hatteras, to Bimini, to Florida, to Puerto Rico, to Acapulco.

#### **Purchasers say this is a most complete boat**

Complete is the word most often used by purchasers in describing this Hatteras. Except for the fishing gear, electronic gear and other equipment you normally add yourself, the accommodations of this yacht are described in this brochure.

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