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BENĒTEAU ANNOUNCES THE ARRIVAL OF THE NEW BENĒTEAU 40

Marion, SC. Since the phenomenally successful launch of the Beneteau 49 and 46 this past fall, Beneteau has continued to strive to lead by bringing the most exciting designs to sailing, and they now announce the arrival of the all new Beneteau 40. True to the concept of offering the most exceptional livability, quality, cachet and value as found in her larger siblings, the Beneteau 40 was created by the collaboration of the renowned naval architects Berret/Racoupeau combined with the stylizing of the design firm of Nauta Yachts. This third member of the ‘next generation’ of Beneteaus launches another impressive, elegant yacht with great excitement.

From the sweeping, classically modern ‘musclé’ of the deck line to the huge, twin wheel cockpit, the Beneteau 40 is executed to be startlingly attractive and superbly functional.

The spacious and luminous interior of the Beneteau 40 is highlighted with rich, light colored select Moabi hardwoods, and many refinements, such as the generous use of stainless steel, add interesting focal points to a core of warmth and ease. With two commodious staterooms and an ample aft galley this yacht is sure to be perceived as providing sumptuous comfort.

We invite you to come discover the amazing new Beneteau 40 at the special American unveiling at Strictly Sail Philadelphia January 18th at five o’clock. Afterwards she will be on view in the Philadelphia show through January 21st after which she will travel on to Strictly Sail Chicago from the 1st to the 4th of February. These will be introductions that should not be missed. In the near future you will be able to discover her full specifications and see photographs of the new Beneteau 40 by visiting us online at www.beneteauusa.com.

Beneteau USA, the American division of the world’s largest sailboat manufacturer, builds hundreds of 32-49 foot production sailboats, as well as the Swift Trawler 42, in Marion, SC and imports sailing yachts up to 57 feet in length from its parent company in France. The boats are sold through a network of over 40 dealers from the north in Alaska to the southern tip of Chile.

Preliminary Specifications

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| Length overall | 39’11” |
| Hull length | 38’11” |
| Maximum beam | 12’12” |
| Light displacement | 16,932 lbs |
| Draft choices– keel | 6’5” or 5’3” |

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| Naval Architect..... | Berret/Racoupeau |
| Interior Design..... | Nauta Yachts |
| Fuel Capacity | 53 gal |
| Fresh water Capacity | 95 gal |
| Sail area..... | .844 sq ft |