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MONTHS TO DESIGN

Starting with the Selene Archer 42 hull, it took Howard Chen two years to bring this design to market, adding more volume and room than is found in some competitive designs.



SPACIOUS MASTER

The soft glow of Cantalupi recessed lights warms the teak bulkheads and furnishings found in the master cabin. Additional stowage is under the queen-size berth, and there's an aromatic, cedar-lined wardrobe as well.



The Galley

Granite or Corian countertops crown a galley that's made to entertain a crowd or feed a cruising family underway, with a three-burner Force 10 propane stove and oven, plus stowage above and below.

DISTANCE READY

The Selene 42 Europa seems well suited for voyaging enthusiasts.

By John Wooldridge

THE COAST OF BAJA California from San Diego to La Paz. The coast of British Columbia from Seattle to the Broughton Islands. Around the northern end of Vancouver Island. These are just a few places I've had the pleasure to cruise aboard capable Selene trawlers from Jet Tern Marine.

Now Jet Tern's founder and naval architect, Howard Chen, has developed

another Selene trawler yacht, the 42 Europa, that bears all the hallmarks of the Selene line — seakindly hulls, safe and workable deck layouts, handcrafted interiors and economical operation.

I had an opportunity to run a 42 Europa in the Atlantic just off Fort Lauderdale with Capt. Kiki Bosch from Luke Brown Yachts to see how it performed in open water. We had the good fortune to encounter sloppy conditions in the

Howard Chen's full-displacement hulls can handle open water with ease.

LEFT: COURTESY OF LASER ADVERTISING/CHARLES DAWTON, RIGHT: BILLY BLACK (2)



HOWARD CHEN'S EXPERTISE WITH DISPLACEMENT HULLS WAS IMMEDIATELY OBVIOUS.



Port Everglades entrance, with a stiff onshore wind stacking up an ebbing flow that roiled the waters.

Chen's expertise with deep-draft (4 feet 8 inches), full-keel displacement hulls was immediately obvious. The 42's deep forefoot and sharp entry made quick work of cleaving the tall, closely packed waves, while the extra volume and flare forward made for a dry ride without excessive pitch. Power was a single, 180-horsepower John Deere 4045AFM85 diesel, which helped produce a top speed of 9.7 knots burning 9.5 gph. This yacht can cruise efficiently in the 7- to 8-knot range, with the engine burning just 4.2 to 6.5 gph.

A 740-gallon fuel capacity gives the 42 a theoretical range of 680 nautical miles, with a 10 percent fuel reserve, at top speed. Pull the throttle back to 8.2 knots and the range rises to 1,092 nm.

This kind of efficiency means added safety prized by many distance cruisers.

The 42 has a large flybridge with an extension that overlaps the aft deck and the side decks well forward, leaving plenty of room to carry a RIB overhead. There's a comfortable bench and dinette for four abaft the twin helm chairs, and an outdoor locker opposite.

This yacht's interior is flawlessly fitted in hand-selected, straight-grain light teak, which integrates well with granite (or Corian) galley countertops and designer fabrics throughout. There's a comfortable seating and stowage area aft, as well as a long galley to port, just opposite the helm. A double helm bench seat is comfortable for one or two people, and the outward opening door to the starboard side deck is welcome when operating short-handed.

"The Luke Brown basic boat is well outfitted from the shipyard," Capt. Bosch said. "We also specify extras like a 9 kW genset, Side-Power 8 hp stern thruster, Cruisair reverse-cycle air conditioning, a fuel polisher and more. It's almost cruise-away ready — just add AV electronics, nav electronics, stabilizers and a dinghy."

Measuring almost 45 feet length overall and a beamy 14 feet 6 inches, the Selene 42 Europa has the size and build to go the distance. ♡

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Other notable Selene trawlers



SELENE 49

The Selene 49, based on the Selene 48, has a deeper hull design with integral stern platform plus 10 inches more headroom in the engine room.



SELENE 62

She is well known for an interior fitted out in teak or cherry, granites and sumptuous fabrics chosen by renowned designer Ken Freivokh.



She'll love more storage.

This is the boat she'll say *Yes* to. FIND OUT WHY ON PAGE 68.

