



## 2 BIG BRANDS AT THE SHOW

TOP: Stroll along the marina, where about 350 new boats will be on show It's Southampton International Boat Show time again. The 54th edition of the tenday event runs from Friday, 15 September to Sunday, 24 September. More than 600 exhibitors will be there and together they will be displaying around 350 boats in-water on the usual purpose-built marina pontoons and another 300 or so ashore - everything from kayaks and SUPs to superyachts.

Sunseeker, Princess and Fairline will be there with their usual substantial line-ups. Sunseeker's will include an all-new Superhawk 55 and a 75 Sports Yacht, Princess's will include the new S72, and Fairline its long-awaited new Squadron 58.

There will also be plenty of UK debuts from international brands, such as the Prestige X60, Pardo Endurance 60, Bavaria SR33, Sealine S390, Nord Star 42, Rodman 790 Ventura and Candela's C-8 foiling electric sportsboat.

For further details on many of these and other new launches happening at the boat show check out our full preview this month, starting on page 27.

Like last year, the entrance will be just outside the West Quay Shopping Centre and the opening times haven't changed either: 10am until 6pm, save for the final Sunday when it closes an hour earlier.

Complete with food stalls, bar and music stage, the Shipyard zone will include professional DJs, live band performances and screenings

of the two big Rugby World Cup matches on the first and last Saturdays at 4.45pm, just a few strides away from the Guinness Bar.

Motor Boat & Yachting editor Hugo Andreae will also be hosting a live Q&A event at Premier Marina's stand next to the marina entrance from 3pm to 4pm on Saturday 16 September. MBY readers are welcome to drop in for a chat, ask their own questions or seek buying advice about any of the boats at the show.

Tickets for the boat show are available online at <a href="https://www.southamptonboatshow.com">www.southamptonboatshow.com</a> with reduced rates available for students and local residents living in postcodes SO14 and SO19.

All children under the age of 15 are allowed in free of charge with an accompanying adult.

VIP packages are also available which access the Quayside Club and Waterfront Lounge with complimentary drinks and gourmet buffet while enjoying views of the marina.



## Fold-down bulwarks create extra space in the cockpit

## PARDO ENDURANCE 60

LOA: 59ft 4in (18.08m) BEAM: 16ft 10in (5.13m)
ENGINES: twin Volvo Penta IPS700-800s TOP SPEED: 25 knots
PRICE: from €1,927,080 inc VAT CONTACT: www.argopardo.com





riginally introduced at the 2021 Cannes Yachting Festival but making its first appearance here in Southampton with UK dealer Argo Yachting, the Pardo Endurance 60 subverts

the brand's formula for walkaround Med-style dayboats with a welcome extra dose of four-season practicality. At 59ft long, with a reverse bow and forward-raked windscreen, it's certainly a very handsome boat and it's extremely secure too, thanks to a fully enclosed wheelhouse and walkaround side decks with such lofty bulwarks that there's no need for any guardrails.

The E60 also adds the upper deck that the brand's pilothouse-equipped GT line lacks. Accessed from the port side of the cockpit, the compact, low-slung flybridge is designed to offer extra space and flexibility while keeping the centre of gravity as deep as possible. It can be specced with or without a second helm station and there's an unusual decking section ahead of the wind deflector, which makes a great place to sit with a view or to stow a couple of bikes or SUP boards.

Back down in the cockpit, a pair of fold-down bulwarks creates an extra 180ft<sup>2</sup> of cockpit space with great access to the water. The hydraulic hi-lo swim platform is big enough for a proper jet tender and there's also a retractable sunshade that projects aft from the pilothouse structure. As for the pilothouse itself, it certainly provides all the protection you need but it also uses an aft galley with drop-down windows on both sides to ensure that when you open things out, the aft end becomes every bit as partyfriendly as Pardo's

more classical open boats.

If extended cruising is your thing, the E60's three cabins, three bathrooms and optional double crew cabin will come as welcome news - and so will the fact that, like the forthcoming E72 of the same Endurance line, the E60 puts running efficiency at the heart of the package. With a pair of IPS 700s or 800s for a top end in the region of 25 knots, it's clear that this is more about quiet, comfortable passagemaking than outright pace.



