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The Success Continues

BUILDING ON THE SUCCESSES OF 2015, VITRUVIUS YACHTS IS SET TO ENTER THE NEW YEAR WITH A number of fully custom motoryacht projects on the drafting table and under construction with world-class superyacht builders, ranging from 60-metre to 105-metre in length.

Latest Developments

With three widely renowned motoryachts of 60, 65, and 73-metres delivered by Italian yachtbuilder Picchiotti since 2010 and a completed conversion on the 71-metre explorer vessel *Engima XX* at Atlantic Refit Center, 2015 was a landmark year for Vitruvius Yachts. The London-based design and naval architecture company, led by Veerle Battiau and Philippe Briand, signed two new build projects at prominent shipyards, including *Feadship de Vries* in Holland and *Turquoise* in Turkey. Vitruvius Yachts also announced a number of exciting new collaborative projects for design concepts. Ms Veerle Battiau, Director of Vitruvius Yachts, said of the year's successes: "We are excited by what the future holds at Vitruvius Yachts. As well as our ongoing relationship with Picchiotti, this year we secured some wonderful new projects that look set to take our designs in new and challenging directions. The vision of our head designer Philippe Briand, complemented by the skills of his 10-strong team of design and naval architecture specialists, will now be realised by world-class superyacht builders in three countries within the next three years."

The project to be built at *Feadship de Vries* is a 68-metre motoryacht, which is due for delivery in 2018 and will have a design reference of a 'beach house on the water'. The 80-metre *VY80* is the first yacht to be commissioned under the newly rebranded *Turquoise* name, with expected completion in 2018. It will feature significant use of glass to give a sense of transparency and openness, while maintaining an intimate 'family feeling'. The yacht will include a dedicated owner's deck and accommodate 12 guests and 21 crewmembers. As with award-winning *Grace E*, the *VY80* will offer a significant amount of space for wellness and fitness adjacent to the beach club, as well as 385m² of exterior decks, an infinity swimming pool and two Jacuzzis.

The Ideal Proportion

The Vitruvius philosophy focuses on creating custom motor yachts that are efficient, robust and long-range, capable of independent global cruising. Drawing on the world-class pedigree of Philippe Briand's highly evolved sailing yachts, of which over 12,000 have been produced to date, Vitruvius Yachts uses the Briand Optimised-Stretched (BOS) hull design. >>



An Award-Winning Year

Vitruvius Yachts entered 2015 with an already impressive line-up of accolades for its past projects, including its 73-metre flagship yacht, Grace E. Delivered in 2014 by Picchiotti, a part of the Perini Navi Group, the spectacular yacht has exceptional range and stunning design as well as environmentally conscious, innovative technology. Furthermore, Grace E was presented with a further six awards from the International Superyacht Society, Showboats International and the World Superyacht Awards.



based on the ethos of 'ideal proportion' seen in Leonardo Da Vinci's Vitruvian Man. The 105-metre Acquaintance concept by Vitruvius Yachts and Dutch shipyard Oceanco maintains this core philosophy of balance, efficiency and optimization and has been designed to be 20% more efficient than other motoryachts of its size.

The Land Yacht

Vitruvius Yachts also announced a number of exciting new collaborative projects for design concepts, and is undertaking its first land-based project. A yacht club based in Hong Kong. As a new addition to the Vitruvius Yachts portfolio, the company was approached by investment company New World, which owns a yacht club in Hong Kong to realise their new facilities. A land yacht in the quintessential 'Vitruvius Yachts' style. Mr Briand and his team will be involved in every aspect of the club's new

set-up, including staff uniforms and designing the building to full yacht code standards and marine design philosophies. The yacht club is due for completion in 2017.

"We are enjoying the creative challenges of our projects, as Vitruvius Yachts grows and develops. We are seeing the market embrace our design philosophy, which is very gratifying," concludes Ms Battiau.

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In the next issue of SuperYacht Industry:
An exclusive interview with Philippe Briand.