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Vitruvius Yachts welcomes newcomer yacht owners, unveiling a 52m custom superyacht in collaboration with Tankoa Yachts

London-based design studio Vitruvius Yachts has revealed the first details of a brand new 52-metre custom superyacht collaboration to be built by the Genoa-based shipyard Tankoa Yachts, currently named as 'Vitruvius N10'.

With the studio headed up by the award-winning naval architect and yacht designer, Phillipe Briand, Vitruvius Yachts were selected by a couple who were looking to move into superyacht ownership following previous experiences of chartering.

Notably, this method of working is one of the things that makes Vitruvius Yachts unique as an independent studio, as it is able to begin projects with clients directly, without having to wait to be selected by shipyards.

Briand explains more: *"We received a call from this dynamic husband and wife team back in November 2020. As newcomers to yacht ownership, they had carried out extensive research on designers and asked if we could support them in their mission. We knew their mixture of enthusiasm and rationality would be a great match with our team, so of course we agreed!"*

He continues: *"We received an extensive brief four days later which did initially make us scratch our heads and ask: 'How are we going to achieve all of their requirements for a 52-metre yacht and stay under 500GT? Since then, we have produced 15 versions and developed the project down to the very last centimetre to make it all fit perfectly, finalizing the GA with FM Architettura."*

In addition, another clear challenge for the project was producing a very large sundeck with ample interior space, as well as ensuring that the yacht maintained excellent stability.

As Briand highlights: *"This is where naval architecture and exterior design must go hand in hand. As we plan the yacht's design, we always think about its technical viability; the structure of the vessel and how it will be built by the shipyard. Obviously, this adds an extra layer of complexity, but it guarantees that the client's plans will be executed once they have been approved."*

With an overall length of 51.5 metres, the custom vessel will retain all of the hallmarks of a Vitruvius vessel in her clean and sleek design, with her interiors by FM Architettura. Project management for the vessel will be taken care of by Albert McIlroy at OptimusNavis, and the yacht will be powered by hybrid propulsion for an impressive range of 4,000 nautical miles.

Onboard accommodation is provided for 10 guests across six generous staterooms. Designed with supreme relaxation in mind, standout areas on board Vitruvius N10 include her large

sundeck ideal for sunseekers and yoga enthusiasts, as well as her 250+ square metres of terraces which are found spread throughout the vessel.

About Philippe Briand – Founder and Designer of Vitruvius Yachts Ltd

The internationally acclaimed naval architect and yacht designer Philippe Briand is a driving force in his field. He made his name designing award-winning sailing yachts under his own brand name (www.philippebriand.com) and building on that experience has led him to create a revolutionary range of motor yachts: [www.Vitruviusyachts.com]

Inspired by a childhood sailing in the yachting centre of La Rochelle, France, Philippe Briand has dedicated his life to perfecting the art of conquering the sea. His designs stand out for their technical excellence and precision, combined with his strong artistic flair and ability to drive innovative design trends as he seeks perfection. As one of the founders of Water Revolution Foundation he contributes to the standards moving towards the neutralization of the ecological footprint of the yachting industry, and Vitruvius Yachts are 30% more efficient than other yachts of comparable size.

With over 12,000 boats built to date Philippe Briand could reasonably be considered the most prolific yacht designer of our time. His loyal client base of extremely discerning owners appreciate his collaborative approach to design – they are involved at every stage of shaping their own remarkable superyacht. With offices in both London and La Rochelle, Briand and his team of designers and engineers work with yacht owners around the world who are looking for the very best.

The impressive range of Vitruvius Yachts may range in size to over 100m in length. Briand's meticulous attention to detail means they are perfected to the nearest millimetre. This dedicated approach to intelligent, sustainable yet stunningly elegant design has been recognized internationally with 34 prestigious yacht awards so far.

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