



Engineered by Tim Nolan, the Venture More has the high bow of an offshore sportfishing boat and the hull shape – and 3,000 mile plus range—to be a world cruiser.

# Nordlund Venture More

This yacht blends sportfishing machine and superyacht luxury.

It wasn't enough when sportfishing boats got bigger. They got fancier and more sophisticated, too, and outgrew their own niche as expectations launched a new breed of yachtfishers, a hybrid blend of megayacht and sportfishing machine. Able to cross oceans, handle rough seas, and pamper guests with luxury, yachtfishers became a specialty of Nordlund Boat Company and their collaboration with Ed Monk, Jr. and Tim Nolan Design. Venture More is their latest, a 106 foot boat with 3000 plus miles of range. Inspired by an adventureseeking owner whose family had a history of fishing and yachts, the project was guided through completion by project manager and devoted sportfish captain David Campbell. Campbell took advantage of assembling Venture More from concept to completion by including a variety of clever and infinitely practical features that only a lifelong fisherman could imagine.



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Tropical destinations are on the agenda, so the hardtop helps for allweather operation on the flying bridge. There, three STIDD helm chairs pamper their occupants during those long deck watches.



The raised aft station on the California deck overlooks the cockpit and has full controls for docking or maneuvering on a hot billfish. The teakdecked cockpit features coaming bolsters, drawer stowage for assorted tackle, and forwardfacing livewell windows so you can check on the baits at a glance.



Captain David Campbell (right), a lifelong sportfisherman, was the owner's project manager on the build. Fishing features were a consideration throughout the design.





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This yachtfisher features a 24' beam and six feet of draft with prop tunnels, and is ideally suited for expeditions to fishing grounds around the world. Here Venture More skirts the west side of Cabo San Lucas's famed arch rocks, the tailend of a 900 mile spine of worn desert mountains that run Baja's length and disappear into the sea at Cabo.



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Westhoff interiors has worked with Nordlund on nearly a dozen projects, and met with the owner and project manager to create a space inspired by the owner's father's previous yacht interior. The natural finish and lack of overbearing moldings created a clean, casual living area.



The open-galley design provides a spacious main deck and brightens the area, making it a more sociable space for cooks to interact with those in the main saloon.

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The wheelhouse has a glass bridge display teeming with stateoftheart electronics. There are three STIDD helm chairs and a spacious raised settee for enjoying the panoramic views while underway. And nothing was held back when it came to installing the latest instrumentation for fish finding, sonar, radar, systems monitoring, cameras, and more.



The interior is all satinfinished horizontal endgrain Anigre, in a contemporary display of joinery by Westhoff Interiors (of Kansas), which assisted Nordlund with the fabrication.



Port and starboard aft stairways lead to the fishing area, with easy engine room access and abundant rod and reel stowage plus lockers for gear. There's even a cleaning station and belowdeck fish freezers.



Venture More has the profile of a semidisplacement yacht, reaching a top speed of 22 knots and a cruising speed of 15 knots. The upper bridge offers a skyhigh perch for spotting fish and a perfect vantage point for navigating shallow waters. Shaped and laid out by the ever practical Ed Monk, Jr., who prides himself on “never building a gallon boat in a two-quart jar,” Venture More could have been bigger in design. But instead it’s the perfect yacht for an adventurous globetrotting sport fisherman—making sense every step of the way, in style.



The California deck was designed so viewers could watch all the fishing action astern, while being pampered under cover by the comforts of a sprawling settee, a bar, and an entertainment area with warm teak underfoot.



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