

Monterey 265 Cruiser

Brief Summary

If you are looking for a cruiser you can take to any lake or shore, whether by water or by land, the 265 Cruiser from Monterey Boats can fill the bill. She is a large pocket cruiser designed for long weekends of fun on the water and entertaining loads of friends.

Price

Base Price \$66272.00

Prices, features, designs, and equipment are subject to change. Please see your local dealer or visit the builder's website for the latest information available on this boat model.

Key Features

- Cockpit area sports two large bench seats behind the helm
- Stereo mounted below with remote controls at the helm and stern
- Galley complete with a small refrigerator, microwave, cook top and plentiful storage
- Full “wet” head with vanity, shower and toilet

Test Results

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
600	4.1	3.5	1	4.05	3.52	324	282	61
1000	5.9	5.1	2	3.03	2.63	242	211	75
1500	7.4	6.4	3.6	2.07	1.8	166	144	79
2000	8.2	7.1	6.9	1.2	1.04	96	83	82
2500	20.1	17.5	10.3	1.96	1.71	157	137	83
3000	24.2	21	11.3	2.14	1.86	172	149	82

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
3500	30.2	26.2	14.9	2.03	1.77	163	141	83
4000	34.5	30	18.1	1.91	1.66	153	133	86
4500	41.7	36.3	26.4	1.58	1.37	127	110	89
4900	46.9	40.8	34.9	1.34	1.17	108	94	94

[View the test results in metric units](#)

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Specifications

Length Overall	26' 11"
BEAM	8' 6"
Dry Weight	6,000 lbs.
Tested Weight	
Draft	20"
Draft Up	
Draft Down	
Air Draft	
Deadrise/Transom	18 deg.
Max Headroom	~

Bridge Clearance	9' 9"
Weight Capacity	
Person Capacity	
Fuel Capacity	89 gal.
Water Capacity	30 gal.
Length on Trailer	
Height on Trailer	
Trailer Weight	
Total Weight	
Aft Deck	
Salon Inside Width	
Salon Fore & Aft	
Salon Height	
Salon Volume	
Galley Volume	
Master SR Width	
Master SR fore & Aft	

Master SR Overhead	
Master SR Volume	
Eng. Room Volume	

Acceleration Times & Conditions

Time to Plane	5.7 sec.
0 to 20	
Ratio	1.78 : 1
Props	F4 stainless steel
Load	2 persons, full fuel, no water, min. gear
Climate	91 deg., 79% humid.; wind: calm; seas: calm

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Tested by Capt. Bob Smith

When I passed the tractor-trailer rig with two boats shrink wrapped, I wondered if they were the two boats I was planning to test. I really couldn't see much under the shrink-wrap, so I just had to wait and see like everyone else. Sure enough, they were the ones I needed. Lou Vazquez, Vice President of Sales and Marketing for Monterey, explained that they were fresh from design and production and that we would be on them quickly. It proved to be as quick as we could get the marina to move into action anyway.

The 265 is a trailerable pocket cruiser. On the trailer, she looked even bigger. She looked stylish with the radar arch and large hull-to-deck ratio. Lou's Volvo crew spent much of the first day tweaking the cruiser. As a first hull in the design, you can expect some changes on the fly. She seemed a bit "tender" and needed extra port trim to feel good. By the second day, I was not able to detect any more problems with the tenderness.

Entertainment Central

She is designed to entertain. Her cockpit area sports two large bench seats behind the helm. Here you can insert a stowable table with cup holders molded right in the corners. The wet bar serves you from the port side of the cockpit central area. It is complete with a double sink and a nice size cooler for keeping lots of cool beverages and sandwiches. The companion seat is really a lounge with a sculpted armrest that doubles as a backrest when you want to sit facing the driver. The helm seat is a sizeable bench with flip up thigh bolster to improve view underway.

At the Controls

The helmsman has all the controls in easy reach from the tilt steering wheel. Tab controls are back of the throttle so you don't have to reach over the throttle controls to adjust the tabs. You can easily reach the engine compartment for routine maintenance from the cockpit sole hatch cover. Boarding the boat is from the swim platform and through a swinging transom door that locks in place in the closed position for safety. There is a telescoping ladder mounted under a cover on the starboard side of the large swim platform. She is well equipped below for a comfortable weekend or just a nice place out of the sun and fun topside. The stereo is mounted below with remote controls at the helm and stern. Entering through the sliding door with molded in steps for going forward topside, you feel at home in a large cabin area. The forward area makes a large seating area with beautiful oblong table, or a sizeable berth for overnighting. The backrests are fabric covered and padded for comfort. A small hanging locker is to starboard as well as the circuit breakers, carbon monoxide detector and air conditioner controls. The galley is to port complete with a small refrigerator, microwave, cook top and plentiful storage. Across from the galley is a full "wet" head with vanity, shower and toilet. Just to the right of the steps going up to the cockpit is a crawlway to the stern bunk. The kids will love this area and it is large enough for them to have their own space on the bunk. She handled well in the challenging currents of Sanibel Resort Marina. Out on the water she performed equally well. She handled nicely in tight turns ramping up to plane without hesitation. She planed in less than 6 seconds. In speed runs she produced a speed of 25.8 mph at 3000 rpms. At this speed she would burn about 11 gallons of fuel per hour. She was a quiet cruiser with levels in the low 80's and a maximum sound level of 94 dBa at 4900 rpms, our fastest. We clocked her at about 47 mph at 4900 rpms while Volvo managed a little better at 4960 rpms and a best of about 49 mph. You can expect to burn about 35 gallons per hour if you want to run at top speed.

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