## Caravelle 207 LS Bow Rider

# **Brief Summary**

The 207 is an entry-level runabout designed for day cruising and water activities. She's ideal for the family that is just getting into boating.

### **Price**

#### **Base Price**

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**

- 100% Wood-Free Construction
- Walk-Thru Transom
- Fiberglass Liner with Snap-in Carpet
- L-Bench with Two Captains Chairs
- XPV Hull Design
- Popular Transom Platform Options
- Loaded with Standard Features

### **Test Results**

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
600	3.4	2.9	0.7	4.79	4.16	155	135	68
1000	5.1	4.4	1.2	4.25	3.7	138	120	71
1500	7.8	6.7	3.3	2.35	2.04	76	66	74
2000	10.7	9.3	5.3	2.01	1.75	65	57	78
2500	21.3	18.5	6.6	3.24	2.82	105	91	80

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3000	29.7	25.8	9.1	3.26	2.84	106	92	83
3500	36.7	31.9	11.1	3.32	2.89	108	94	85
4000	41.1	35.7	16.4	2.51	2.18	81	71	88
4500	48.6	42.3	20.2	2.41	2.1	78	68	89

View the test results in metric units

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# **Specifications**

Length Overall	20' 4"
BEAM	8' 6"
Dry Weight	3,000 lbs.
Tested Weight	
Draft	17"
Draft Up	
Draft Down	
Air Draft	
Deadrise/Transom	18 deg.
Max Headroom	open

Bridge Clearance	48"
Weight Capacity	
Person Capacity	
Fuel Capacity	36 gal.
Water Capacity	none
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	4.4 seconds
0 to 20	
Ratio	N/A
Props	14 1/4 x 21 Aluminum
Load	2 persons, half fuel, minimal gear
Climate	81.2 degrees, 28% humidity, winds south 6 kts., seas calm

#### A Strong Performer

Tested by Capt. Brandon De Natale

The 207LS from Caravelle is the perfect low maintenance trailerable family boat for lakes and bays. With its 20'4" length and 8'6" beam this is truly a boat that can do it all. With the wood free constructed hull and features such as a full fiberglass cockpit liner and snap in carpeting keeping her looking her best, won't take away from time spent on the water. And with several engine options to choose from and seating for up to 10 people the 207LS is truly a boat with multiple personalities.

#### **Speed**

Our test boat was equipped with a 220-hp Mercury 5.0Liter, which enabled us to reach a top speed of 48.6 mph. We found her best cruise to be 36.7 mph at 3,500 rpm's, giving us a range of over 100 miles on a single tank.

#### **Great Platform for Water Activities**

One of the optional features you will surely want to have on the boat is the extended transom platform. This

is a great feature, which makes it easy and safe for older people or smaller children to get onboard. There is loads of room back here and it's also the perfect staging area for water sports or just lounging out. The 207LS will appeal to anyone looking for a weekend boat for their lake house or for use on inland bays and sounds. With the ability to easily trailer the boat and the small space required for storing, this will help open the world of boating for many families.

On the transom the use of pop-up stainless steel cleats and built in tow hook provide an excellent platform for water skiing or other water sports. The walkthrough transom makes getting to and from the cockpit a breeze, and allows everyone to stay seated when changing skiers or just pulling up to the dock. In the floor of the walkthrough is a storage box with drain, which is perfect for storing wet items. Moving forward into the aft cockpit is the L-shaped bench seat with attached sundeck behind. This is a great spot to catch some rays when at anchor.

There's storage under the port bench seat and the engine access is under the aft seat.

In the engine compartment you will find additional storage forward for brushes and other items. Hooking our test gear on the 220-hp Mercury was made easy by all the open space around the engine.

#### At The Helm

Forward of the aft seating is the helm station with adjustable seats. The boat we tested had the optional flip-up bolster seat, which is a nice feature to have for water sports, or higher vantage point while operating. The helm station features Faria gauges and a well laid out instrumentation panel. Everything you need including speed, oil, RPM's, trim indicator and much more are well placed for easy reading. There's also a 12-volt receptacle for charging a cell phone or using a spotlight, and the standard Sony CD player with 4 speakers is right at your fingertips. Over to port the companion seat can swivel around to face the people seated aft and the large glove box is convenient for storing personal items.

#### Plenty of Storage and Seating

Up forward in the bow there's seating for four and underneath to port is an insulated cooler. To starboard there's a spot for storing life jackets and other bulky items you want out of the way. The welded stainless steel bow rail provides a great place to hold onto when underway and with plenty of drink holders around you'll never have to worry about where to put your beverage. There is even a filler cushion that turns the bow into a giant sun pad for lounging in the sun.

If a low maintenance boat that can easily be taken on long road trips while providing enough room and comfort for the whole family is what you're looking for, the 207LS deserves a closer look. With plenty of power supplies to choose from, and good performance this boat should appeal to many boaters.