World Cat 250 DC (2006-) Brief Summary

Test Power-- 2 x 150-hp Honda 4-Stroke Outboards

Best Cruise-- 16.1 mph @ 3000 rpm

WOT-- 40.6 mph @ 5600 rpm

The 250 DC offers a winning combination of a family fishboat with the functionality of a catamaran. The unique Vectorflo hull delivers an improved ride, better stability, and even better fuel economy.

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

- Forward sun lounge
- Ergonomic helm design with ladder-back captain's chair
- Large enclosed changing area with Porta-Potti
- 3 forward lockable storage compartments
- 25-gallon lighted livewell
- 300-quart insulated aft fishbox

Test Results

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
700	3.5	3	0.5	7	6.09	1260	1096	62
1000	4.9	4.2	1.3	3.88	3.37	698	607	68
1500	6.7	5.8	2.1	3.19	2.77	574	499	68

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
2000	8.3	7.2	3	2.8	2.43	503	438	71
2500	10.4	9	4.5	2.3	2	414	360	77
3000	16.1	14	6.4	2.51	2.18	451	393	83
3500	20.5	17.8	9	2.27	1.98	409	356	85
4000	24.6	21.3	11.5	2.13	1.86	384	334	85
4500	30.4	26.4	13.6	2.23	1.94	402	349	85
5000	35	30.4	18.8	1.86	1.62	335	291	86
5600	40.6	35.3	27.9	1.45	1.26	262	227	88

View the test results in metric units

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Specifications

Length Overall	26' 0"
BEAM	8' 6"
Dry Weight	5,590 lbs. w/ twin engines
Tested Weight	
Draft	12"
Draft Up	

Draft Down	
Air Draft	
Deadrise/Transom	N/A
Max Headroom	N/A
Bridge Clearance	9' 0"
Weight Capacity	
Person Capacity	
Fuel Capacity	200 gal.
Water Capacity	10 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	7.1 sec.
0 to 20	
Ratio	2.14:1
Props	N/A
Load	3 persons, 1/2 fuel, no water, minimal gear
Climate	90 deg., 70% humid.; wind: 3-4 mph; seas: light chop

The 250DC -- The Most Popular Model in the Fleet

This catamaran will surprise you in many ways starting with her super-stable ride, and open fishing space. By Capt. Bob Smith

Test Captain

The 250DC shows how World Cat married the style and performance of a fast skiboat with the functionality and stability of an offshore catamaran fishing boat. I have to admit, while running in big swells out of the inlet

to Morehead City I had my doubts of staying dry, but while running the boat for the helicopter shots, I became a believer. I expected a rough ride with lots of crashing down, but that wasn't the case. I was pleased with the smooth landings even running at fast speeds.

Starting at the Bow

The bow of the 250DC has a sturdy bow pulpit with anchor roller and deck for working with the ground tackle. Large lockers on either side can handle long anchor lines and plenty of spare gear. Topside surfaces are skid resistant and the bow has high rails making the parents of small children aboard feel safer. You can either remove the cushions to create a large casting deck in front or add the filler cushions to create a wonderful spot to catch a cat nap or work on your tan. Under the bow seat is a huge fish box for your day's catch, and to keep your fishing gear close by, there are side lockers that offer plenty of storage for fishing equipment. The starboard locker on this boat has taken advantage of the space with a rod locker that reaches under the helm for longer rigs. When you need to refuel, snacks can be set up on the storable table with drop leafs, making it easier to slide into the bow seat with the table set up.

Helm Features

At the helm area I enjoyed the cover of the hardtop, but wished they had elevated it just another inch so the electronics box was not such a magnet for my head. Both seats in here are comfortable with slide and swivel adjustments and removable cushions for easy clean-up. The helm itself has a tilt wheel with hydraulic assisted steering. A large white space above the wheel offers enough room to add your favorite flat panel displays. Left of the wheel is a remote control for the stereo which is mounted in the head compartment. Honda gauges at the dash make keeping an eye on the engine performance very easy. Just behind the helm is a raw water connection for rinsing the deck after boating a fish and a fresh water shower for rinsing off after a swim.

The companion side has a nice gasketed glove box keeping your papers and wallets dry. Our boat took advantage of the space on the companion side with a pod that included a head inside. With a catamaran design, you'll appreciate the overhead room when getting into this head and changing room.

At the stern you have bolsters surrounding the space to protect your legs as you work a fish on board. Access hatches get you to the batteries and to the other mechanical equipment inside. Under the gunwales on both sides are tip out boxes with tackle organizers inside. In the port corner is a livewell and on the starboard side is a second fish box.

About the Engine

Our boat came equipped with twin Honda 150-hp outboards that provided great power for fishing and skiing in this rig. These powerful outboards are the same engines used in their Accord and Element automobiles, so you can expect proven good performers.

Honda's variable intake system meters the air to meet the demands of getting up on plane quickly, and then reduces the air to efficiently stay on top of the water underway. A belt-driven 44 amp alternator insures plenty of electricity to power both the engine and has power left over for powering the electronics you add on board. Routine maintenance of these engines is simplified with the use of a spin-on oil filter and a unique

oil drain system on the side of the foot of the engine.

Specs and Performance

The 2006 250 DC measures 26-feet length overall with a beam width of 8'6". She weighs 3,900 lbs. dry, and I found this boat is pretty easy to manage on the trailer. I tested the 250 in the Intracoastal waters of Morehead City, NC and found her best cruise to be around 16.1 mph at 3000 rpm with a full tank range of 451 miles. She topped out at 40.6 mph turning 5000 rpm.

If you want the versatility of a sportboat with the safety of a catamaran, and with twin power systems, then World Cat has a great solution for you with their 250DC.