

# Ranger Boats 173 Ghost

## Brief Summary

If getting into the skinniest water is what you're after, the 173 Ghost will accomplish that goal. This new model is the sistership to the 183 and it's sure to catch some attention. It has good space around the console to hit those fish forward or back. With Ranger's zero hull-slap technology, this boat is whisper-quiet in the water so that anglers can confidently stalk even the spookiest fish.

## 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

- Binnacle throttle control
- Fiberglass stringer system
- Hydraulic steering
- Pultruded fiberglass transom
- Re-circulating aerated livewell/baitwell combination
- 12V DC power receptacle
- NMMA certified
- Self-bailing cockpit
- Skid resistant deck and interior
- Recessed trim tabs

## Specifications

Length Overall	17' 3"
BEAM	86 1/2"
Dry Weight	985 lbs.
Tested Weight	

<b>Draft</b>	8"
<b>Draft Up</b>	
<b>Draft Down</b>	
<b>Air Draft</b>	
<b>Deadrise/Transom</b>	N/A
<b>Max Headroom</b>	open
<b>Bridge Clearance</b>	N/A
<b>Weight Capacity</b>	
<b>Person Capacity</b>	
<b>Fuel Capacity</b>	30 gal.
<b>Water Capacity</b>	N/A
<b>Length on Trailer</b>	
<b>Height on Trailer</b>	
<b>Trailer Weight</b>	
<b>Total Weight</b>	
<b>Aft Deck</b>	
<b>Salon Inside Width</b>	

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	
0 to 20	
Ratio	
Props	
Load	
Climate	

**\*\*Below is a press release from Ranger Boats\*\***

**RANGER 173 GHOST**

*Ideal for the skinniest water, this technical poling skiff is rated for 115 horsepower*

FLIPPIN (February 19, 2007) New for 2007, Ranger Boats introduces the 173 Ghost - a technical poling skiff that still gets anglers into the skinniest water without asking them to sacrifice things like space, comfort and performance.

Rated for a maximum 115 horsepower and equipped with a 30-gallon fuel tank, this 17-foot, 3-inch boat is ready to make short work out of long runs, giving anglers more time to fish. With the increased horsepower, the 173 Ghost is able to deliver a smoother, drier ride without sacrificing maneuverability - allowing it to float in as little as 8 inches of water.

"Making long runs in little boats can take a long time, you're at the mercy of the wind and it can be a wet ride. But small boats are it for a lot of this back-county fishing because they're easier to pole in fishing situations," said Ranger Pro and TV personality Blair Wiggins. The 173 Ghost, is effortless to pole plus you get the benefits of the additional horsepower and fishing space."

Horsepower wasn't the only reason for building a 17-foot, 3-inch technical poling skiff. The added length and width gives the 173 Ghost plenty of interior and deck space, making it feel like a much larger boat. Rated for four people, this boat has plenty of room for guides to pole clients around the mangroves in search of trophy fish or for family and friends to catch whatever is biting. With Ranger's zero hull-slap technology, this boat is whisper-quiet in the water so that anglers can confidently stalk even the spookiest fish.

Passengers aboard the 173 Ghost will find easy access to storage and to on-board features such as the aerated livewell/baitwell with high-speed pickup and in-line filter. The boat also offers quick access to batteries, breakers and pumps with all electronics using corrosion-resistant wiring and resettable breakers. Elsewhere, the 173 features a skid-resistant interior and custom-fitted, premium marine upholstery.

Additional custom details of the 173 Ghost include an anchor locker, flush-mounted push pole holders, gel-coated storage boxes, recessed trim tabs and a bevy of other features. With plenty of storage (10-foot rod storage in the gunnels plus added storage at the bow and stern) and plenty of fishing space, the 173 Ghost is everything that savvy saltwater anglers have come to expect from a Ranger: unparalleled performance and fishability, loaded with features and a smooth, dry ride.

Equipped with a single-axle, custom-matched aluminum trailer built for saltwater use, the 173 Ghost is easier to maneuver and enjoys the smooth trailering benefits of custom alignment and individually balanced wheels. Up front, the center swing jack retracts flush to the frame and creates a more balanced load, making it even more secure on the trailer. Combined with matching stainless steel fenders, aluminum wheels, matching spare tire and wheel, Ranger's exclusive oil bath COOL Hub® lubrication system, torsion axle suspension, and swing-away tongue, the RangerTrail® trailer delivers lasting peace of mind and easier towing.