

Henriques 38 Flybridge Sportfisherman

Brief Summary

A classic-looking sportfisherman with comfortable accommodations and a well-appointed interior.

Price

Base Price \$381000.00

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Key Features

- * Soft, dry ride* 140-square foot cockpit great for entertaining
- * Two 103-gallon insulated fishboxes
- * Several different layouts available
- * Spacious flybridge with plenty of seating and comfortable captain’s chair
- * Step-down galley and dinette nicely separate the salon

Test Results

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
650	7.9	6.9	1.4	5.63	4.89	2102	1827	71
1000	9.8	8.5	4.5	2.16	1.87	805	700	78
1250	12.2	10.6	10.4	1.17	1.02	436	379	78
1500	16.4	14.3	16.9	0.97	0.84	362	315	80
1750	20.5	17.8	21.9	0.93	0.81	348	303	80

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
2000	25.5	22.2	30.3	0.84	0.73	314	273	84
2250	28.7	25	37.4	0.77	0.67	286	249	86
2500	33	28.7	53.6	0.62	0.53	230	200	88

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

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Specifications

Length Overall	38' 0"
BEAM	13' 10"
Dry Weight	28,000 lbs.
Tested Weight	
Draft	3' 10"
Draft Up	
Draft Down	
Air Draft	
Deadrise/Transom	~
Max Headroom	~
Bridge Clearance	~

Weight Capacity	
Person Capacity	
Fuel Capacity	415 gal.
Water Capacity	75 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	7.9 sec.
0 to 20	
Ratio	2.0:1
Props	18 x 24 4-bld med.
Load	2/3 :Fuel, full :Water, 3 persons :Load, min. gear :Gear
Climate	93 degrees :Temp, 51 % :Humid, 10 knots: Wind, 1 ft. :Seas

Not Just for Fishing Anymore

In years past, Henriques was known for rugged, uncompromising sportfishing boats: Great for a day offshore with the guys, but lacking the poshness of “mainstream” manufacturers. Henriques has recognized this and is striving to change this perception. Recently we tested the company’s 38-foot flying bridge sportfisherman. While still an uncompromising fishing boat, the fit and finish, and interior trimmings were every bit as refined as the majority of production sportfishing boats.

When I arrived at the boat, I immediately knew the “angle” of the story. The huge cockpit with two gigantic fish-box hatches indicates this to be an all-out fishing machine. The boat possesses all of the obligatory sportfishing equipment: a tackle center, cockpit freezer, even a place for bait prep, cockpit controls, or a drink cooler; but other features stand out. The manufacturer includes six rod holders in the covering boards, and six more along the back of the cabin. On most fishing boats the walk-around decks along the cabin sides are as narrow as possible to increase interior volume, but Henriques opted for unusually wide decks and well placed handrails to facilitate safe line and anchor handling. The ladder from the cockpit to the bridge is unexpectedly wide as well. While this lessens space on the bridge, it is an important consideration

when the captain needs to hit the deck to help boat a big fish.

On the bridge, a large helm console supplies copious space for electronics. So much space is furnished that an overhead electronics box is unnecessary. A bench seat is provided in front of the helm, and two swivel chairs are located behind the helm.

While I was engrossed in the details of the exterior and arranging my thoughts for the video, I opened the salon door. Much to my dismay, the story changed dramatically. I was expecting a non-descript, functional cabin. Instead I was impressed by a well-appointed interior including whitewashed ash woodwork, and white vinyl overheads. Horizontal blinds on the salon windows are complimented by fabric upholstered lambrequins and valances. The salon sofa and dinette seats are ultra-leather. In short, this boat is built to impress more than just fishermen.

With the cockpit and side decks enlarged, I expected the cabin to seem small. I'm not sure where Henriques stole the space from, but it was not the salon. The interior layout is pretty basic, but quite comfortable. The port side of the salon includes an entertainment center forward and the main electrical panel aft. A sofa, coffee table, and ottoman occupy the starboard side. The ottoman stores underneath the coffee table when not in use, and opens to be used for storage. The sofa lifts to reveal a huge storage area, although on our test boat the gas lifts for the sofa were not stout enough to keep the compartment open. The galley is on the starboard side, a few steps down from the salon. A dinette across from the galley drops to form a double bed. Alternately, this area can become an optional second stateroom. The owner's stateroom includes a queen bed forward, a head and shower to starboard, and a hanging locker to port. Ample drawers and cabinets are provided for storage.

While the interior is stylish, there are a few compromises for fishing. Some may complain about the aesthetics of the powder-coated aluminum handrail in the middle of the salon overhead, at least until they are offshore in a sea. Others may not like the rod storage area recessed into the overhead above the galley. Then again, if I could store my tackle in the living room, I would. The rod lockers outboard of the forward berth take up storage space, but could serve double-duty for storing all of those little throw pillows when the tackle is out. While Henriques has softened their interiors, it is obvious that fishing comes first.

Underneath the salon, the engineroom provides excellent access to all equipment. The fuel tanks are under the cockpit, allowing room all the way around the diesels. The generator is placed aft over the keel. Fuel filters, sea strainers, and other maintenance items are all easily serviced. The batteries and drip-free stuffing boxes are beneath the cockpit, but quickly and easily accessed by removing the fish boxes. The engineroom is entered either by lifting the stairs to the galley, or removing three large panels which make up the salon floor. Removing the salon carpet and floor is quite easy and takes less than two minutes.

Henriques offers seven choices for engines. The boat we tested had twin Volvo 480 horsepower electronic diesels. We topped out at 33 miles-per-hour at 2500 RPM, and cruised at 25.5 miles per hour at 2000 RPM, burning 30.3 gallons-per-hour for a range of 314 miles with her 415 gallon fuel capacity. I should note that our tests were conducted on an unusually hot and humid day, even for New Jersey in July. Warm seawater and hot, humid air can rob a diesel of horsepower. During our test run, a moderate swell gave us a chance

to see how the “Modified-V” hull handled. While running into the sea, the sharp, deep-V entry cut through the waves with out pounding, but with a flat bottom aft she was quite stable when sitting still, even in a beamy sea. On a fishing boat, smooth running through sloppy seas in only half the battle; a comfortable trolling platform is equally important.

While the Henriques 38 is a great boat to take the guys out fishing, it is equally suited to have cocktails with friends or a weekend with the family.

By Capt. Vincent Daniello

Test Captain