

Doral Boca Grande

Brief Summary

The Boca Grande has been one of Doral's most popular models. This express cruiser has proven itself a solid performer and now, Doral has outfitted this popular model with the Volvo IPS drive system making it perform even better. Now the entire family can learn to drive this boat with confidence around the docks where often the most talented captain will have “issues.”

This flagship express cruiser sports many standards and options to satisfy your lifestyle underway. Bountiful seating topside is complimented by comfort in the cabin. The fiberglass retractable arch makes it easier to transfer your boat to the next shore or pass under low overhead bridges that others can only turn tail and run from.

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

- Offered with Volvo IPS option
- 8” walk-around side decks
- Retractable arch
- Translucent green acrylic accents for drink holders and chart holders in cockpit
- Matching translucent cabin entry door
- Deluxe refrigerator with independent freezer
- Queen sized master suite bed

Test Results

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
700	4.7	4	1	4.45	3.87	1033	898	69
1000	6.9	6	1.9	3.69	3.21	857	746	72

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
1250	8.2	7.1	2.7	3.09	2.69	719	625	73
1500	9.3	8	5.1	1.82	1.58	422	367	77
1750	10	8.7	7.7	1.29	1.12	300	261	79
2000	11.2	9.7	11	1.02	0.89	236	206	80
2250	14.6	12.7	13.8	1.05	0.92	245	213	83
2500	19.2	16.7	16.2	1.19	1.03	275	239	82
2750	25	21.7	17.3	1.45	1.26	336	292	82
3000	29.4	25.6	18.9	1.56	1.35	361	314	82
3250	33	28.7	21.3	1.55	1.35	361	314	83
3640	39.1	34	28.2	1.38	1.2	322	280	84

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

Length Overall	36' 2"
BEAM	12' 6"
Dry Weight	18,800 lbs.
Tested Weight	

Draft	N/A
Draft Up	
Draft Down	
Air Draft	
Deadrise/Transom	18 deg.
Max Headroom	6' 6"
Bridge Clearance	8' 4"
Weight Capacity	
Person Capacity	
Fuel Capacity	258 gal.
Water Capacity	50 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	9.0 sec.
0 to 20	
Ratio	
Props	
Load	2 persons, full fuel, no water, min. gear
Climate	78 deg., 65% humid, wind: 10-12 mph, seas: min chop

Doral Boca Grande with IPS

By Capt. Rob Smith

The Boca Grande already had its own flock of believers, but new members have something else to crow about while they easily slide into a challenging marina slip in a ripping current. Doral now has mated the IPS joystick system to the Boca. This is certain to allow more day cruisers the confidence to move up to weekend or week long cruises. This along with the optional hardtop certainly makes the cruising life seem fun.

Entertainment Central

Doral created a palatial platform for play on the Boca. It sports a center folding deep reach swim ladder, twin corner fender racks and storage lockers. I always prefer a center boarding walkthrough and Boca's has a French door system with magnetic catch to keep them open until you are ready to close them.

The one-level self bailing cockpit offers room to relax for all. Benches and loungers wrap around from the companion/navigator's seat around to the helm. The refreshment center provides a great place to build and serve drinks and snacks aboard without going back and forth to the galley. If you like to enjoy television at anchor, opt for the cockpit TV that mounts at the refreshment center. An optional icemaker or cockpit refrigerator will also be handy if you entertain frequently aboard. As I spend a lot of time outside, I can recommend the hardtop for protection from the harsh sun and sudden showers.

The Command Center

The helm had rich wood accents any executive will appreciate. All systems are easily monitored underway. The joystick control will be the center of attention, though, as you effortlessly ease into the tightest of spots or parallel park alongside the floating restaurant.

Out Front

Molded-in steps lead you easily up the dash and through a wide windshield walkthrough. Up at the bow is a convenient freshwater connection to rinse of the anchor or rinse the deck after a cruise. A remote spotlight is standard. I recommend the optional windlass to make your day more fun and taking the work out of hauling the anchor. For anchor time relaxation, add the teak loungers and toast to your favorite sunset. There are drink holders, but they are inconvenient when you raise the lounge backs.

Time to Relax Inside

When the sun goes down in the west or it gets uncomfortable outside, head on down. The entry door is a two piece with sliding companionway and screen door for fresh cool air when you don't need the optional 16,000 BTU air conditioner. The galley has solid wood and laminate cabinets with anthracite granite aspect counters. The upper cabinet doors can catch your fingers if you open several at once. Basic equipment includes double cooktop, microwave oven, stainless steel sink and 6.3cu foot refrigerator/freezer. The TV is mounted in the end of the upper cabinets on a swivel so it can be seen from the bow or from the salon. The salon stairs are steep taking less space from the salon floor. The plush cushions have an adjustable height table that converts the lounge into another berth when needed. Wood blinds complement the wood accents and there are plenty of storage spaces for your cruising gear. You can upgrade your entertainment to a flat screen TV with DVD for the cabin. The common head has a full fiberglass liner, shower with separate shower wand, vanity with sink and ceramic toilet. Under the cockpit is another seating space that

converts into another berth.

The Master Suite

The main berth is separated by an accordion door that is compact and far better than a simple curtain. The island Queen berth has storage under the mattress and a makeup station. My test boat had a remote for the stereo below the starboard bedside table and one for the optional DVD player under the port.

Measuring Up

The Boca Grande measures 36'2" length overall, 39'3" with the swim extension. Her width is 12'6" and weight is approximately 18,800 lbs dry. She carries twin 129 gallon fuel tanks and a single 50 gallon freshwater tank.

I tested her on a fairly calm day and wasn't disappointed at all by her handling. The IPS performed as advertised. It took about 9 seconds to get the diesels spun up to plane and about 17 seconds to make 30 mph. At 3000 rpm she is running 29.4 mph for a cruising range of 361 miles. Her top speed was 39.1 mph at 3640 rpm.

In summary, the Boca Grande is a proven hull and adding the IPS system has definitely made weekend cruising more of a reality for everyone, especially those new to cruising.