

Stratos 176 XT (2007-)

Brief Summary

Fishability, stability, all composite construction and under \$13,000? Stratos delivers! Stratos built the 176 XT with the angler in mind so that just about anyone with the desire has a solid choice. Stratos designers and builders are all fishermen and it shows. The 176 XT is longer, wider, and has more storage and casting space than many of the best selling aluminum boats. None match the outstanding stability of Stratos.

Price

Base Price\$14745.00

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

- Fiberglass stringers
- Flush mounted remote throttle control
- Minn Kota Edge 40 lb 36" trolling motor 12V
- Aerated livewell with timer
- Lowrance X 50DS
- On board 1 x 6 Minn Kota charger
- 3 across fold down seats
- Passenger assist grab straps
- Plush marine grade carpet
- Single axle trailer

Test Results

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
625	2.9	2.5	0.5	5.8	5.04	120	104	58
1000	3.3	2.9	0.6	5.5	4.78	114	99	61
1500	4.9	4.2	0.8	6.47	5.62	134	116	68

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
2000	6.4	5.6	1.4	4.74	4.12	98	85	70
2500	8.9	7.7	2.5	3.63	3.16	75	65	80
3000	15.6	13.5	3.1	5.02	4.36	104	90	84
3500	21.6	18.7	3.8	5.75	5	119	103	83
4000	25.5	22.2	4.3	5.93	5.16	123	107	83
4500	29.4	25.5	5	5.93	5.16	123	107	88
5000	32.8	28.5	6.2	5.33	4.63	110	96	92
5500	36.4	31.6	7.3	5.01	4.36	104	90	98

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

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Specifications

Length Overall	17' 6"
BEAM	84"
Dry Weight	1,200 lbs.
Tested Weight	
Draft	N/A
Draft Up	

Draft Down	
Air Draft	
Deadrise/Transom	N/A
Max Headroom	open
Bridge Clearance	N/A
Weight Capacity	
Person Capacity	
Fuel Capacity	23 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	4.6 sec.
0 to 20	
Ratio	2.0 : 1
Props	23M Stainless Steel
Load	2 persons, 7/8 fuel, no water, min, gear
Climate	78 deg.; 37% humid.; wind: 7 MPH; seas; calm

Stratos 176 XT

By Capt. Bob Smith

The representatives from Stratos were really pumped about the three boats they brought and especially excited about the 176 XT. Why? Because they are introducing a boat that gets the everyday bass angler a high quality, all composite bass rig that retails under \$13,000!

Bow Features

The 176 XT is 100% composite construction with no wood. The front deck offers 28 square feet of space to work the fish. A Minn Kota Edge 40 lb 36" 12 volt trolling motor is mounted high on the port gunwale. The trolling motor has a fixed position foot pedal in the center of the peak and an engine tilt switch located in a panel in the bow. Stratos mounts the cleats on recesses to keep the top snag-free. Bow storage is great for a boat its size and featuring two matching boxes are on either side. There is also plenty of rod storage up here. The center bow locker boasts room for up to 12 rods.

At the Helm

The center cockpit is arranged for great legroom for you and your buddy. The modular fiberglass helm has no-feedback steering with a three-spoke wheel. Analog speed, tach and fuel gauges are standard as well as a Lowrance X-50DS depth finder. Over on the right side, lighted rocker control switches are protected by push-button circuit breakers. The driver's drinkholder is tucked into the corner next to their seat on the side wall. Over on the buddy side is a handy four-rod running rack with reel protective pad, bungee strap, and a drinkholder. A small storage compartment is located under the center seat of the three-across fold-down seats.

More Fishing Features

Its an easy step up to the spacious rear casting deck which has 20 square feet of room. More storage is also located back here in matching dry boxes on either side. Plano style boxes store vertically in these boxes and Stratos even gives you some to start organizing your lures. Across the center is a divided aerated livewell with timer. Access to the equipment is through a beam-width hatch across the aft section of the stern. The cranking battery is stored on the starboard side with an oil reservoir location next to it. Access to the 800 bilge pump and livewell pump is in the center with the trolling motor battery and on board charger over on the right. The main breakers are also located on the port side.

Boat Specifications

The 176 XT measures 17'6" length overall with a beam width of 84". On the trailer, she is 18'10" long with a width of 95". She carries 23 gallons of fuel and can handle up to an 75-hp outboard engine.

I tested the 176 XT on an inland lake with two people on board. She has smooth acceleration and a mostly dry ride. The 70-hp Yamaha delivered good torque and speed. She is on plane in 4.6 seconds and up to 30 mph in 13 seconds. The 176 cruised most economically at 29.4 mph turning 4500 rpm. At cruise, she can deliver 123 miles on a full tank of fuel. She managed a top speed of 36.5 mph which was really pretty good for just a 70-hp outboard engine.

If you are looking to get into chasing bass but don't want to be chased by the bank, check out the Stratos 176XT. She has great performance, all composite construction and a low entry price.