

Yamaha 232 Limited

Brief Summary

The 232 Limited is as good looking as she is functional and durable. It will serve your whole family well for a long day on the water. This is their luxury model, and it has a not-so-luxury price tag.

Price

Base Price \$41199.00

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

- Freshwater Shower
- Multiple Storage Compartments
- Stainless Steel Details
- 36-quart Built-In Ice Chest
- Swim Platform with Telescoping Reboarding Ladder
- Adjustable Tilt Steering Wheel
- Ample Seating for 10
- Marine Grade Berber Carpet Kit
- Bimini Top
- Satellite-ready Sony® AM/FM/CD Stereo with Remote at Stern

Test Results

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
2500	4.9	4.3	2.5	1.95	1.69	88	77	72
3000	6.4	5.6	2.7	2.37	2.06	107	93	75
4000	7.3	6.4	2.9	2.51	2.18	113	99	83
5000	8.4	7.3	3.6	2.32	2.02	105	91	84

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6000	13.7	11.9	5.6	2.46	2.14	111	97	80
7000	28.4	24.7	7.5	3.78	3.29	171	149	83
8000	34.3	29.8	9.5	3.6	3.13	163	141	87
9000	43.6	38	13.7	3.18	2.76	144	125	92
10000	48.2	41.9	16	3.02	2.62	136	119	93
10250	50.3	43.7	21	2.4	2.09	108	94	94

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

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Specifications

Length Overall	23' 0"
BEAM	8' 6"
Dry Weight	3,314 lbs.
Tested Weight	
Draft	16"
Draft Up	
Draft Down	
Air Draft	

Deadrise/Transom	20 deg.
Max Headroom	open
Bridge Clearance	N/A
Weight Capacity	
Person Capacity	
Fuel Capacity	50.2 gal.
Water Capacity	N/A
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	2.5 sec.
0 to 20	
Ratio	N/A
Props	Impeller
Load	2 people, 1/2 fuel, no water, 50 lbs. of gear
Climate	92 degrees, 78% humidity, winds: 0 mph, calm seas

An Experience the Whole Family Will Love

By Captain John B. Wenz

Do you enjoy the finer things in life? Do you like good value? If your answer is “yes” to both questions and you’re in the market for a boat in the 20 to 25 foot range, go straight to the nearest Yamaha boat dealer. Ask to see the 232 Limited. It will be a pleasant surprise. This is their luxury model, and it has a not-so-luxury price tag.

In my opinion, the entire Yamaha boat lineup is a big “sleeper”. They’re darn good boats, loaded with features and value. But the public has yet to recognize the inherent advantages in the waterjet propulsion system nor do people typically compare these boats to I/O runabouts and bowriders in this size range. I see this scenario as somewhat similar to the when Audi introduced the Quattro four-wheel drive automobiles. It

took a while for people to “get-it”, but once they did, four-wheel drive became extremely popular. The other aspect of this situation is the stigma that was created when the first two-stroke jet boats first came on the market. The first attempt at transitioning customers from inline PWC seating, these things resembled noisy, floating bathtubs. But that description is far from how I would describe the 232 Limited. I recently took a close look. Here’s what I found.

About the Boat

For starters, this boat is a complete package. But don’t be fooled- Yamaha doesn’t give you things like fenders and boat hooks. They leave the “Coast Guard Package” for the dealer to handle. What they do include are things like twin engines and a swim platform. That’s the kind of stuff which is hard to find, even as an option on a boat of this size. The 232 Limited is built on Yamaha’s 23 foot hull. It’s got an 8’6” beam and a 20 degree deadrise, making the hull shape very suitable for the intended use. The draft is only 16”, less when on a plane. That’s great news these days, given the lack of money for dredging, plus the new emphasis on protecting the environment.

Take a look on deck and you notice the fine upholstery offering really comfortable seating for ten. The bow seats offer room for me to stretch my legs out, and I’ve got a 34-inch inseam. I’m often cheated when it comes to legroom, but not here. There’s lots of storage underneath the seats, so you can bring everything you need for a day out on the water and it won’t be lying around the deck. There are stainless handrails in handy places, as well as stainless cupholders. For the skipper, they’ve installed a captain’s chair with an adjustable bolster. It’s not the most comfortable captain’s chair I’ve ever sat in, but it’s suitable, and the bolster offered a great view.

The instrument layout is efficient and logical; dual tachs on either side of a speedo, with a compass, a depth finder, and a row of rocker switches. It’s all standard, so nothing looks like an afterthought. And since you need to have a soundtrack to your boating adventures, they’ve included a Sony stereo with CD player, Sirius, and an MP3 input. Additional creature comforts are much appreciated- a bimini top, a cockpit table, and a nicely finished head compartment. Don’t look for a factory installed toilet, though. They’ve left it up to the dealer to include as an aftermarket option. That’s a smart idea, given the different ways people use this boat. The finish work on the entire boat is excellent. It’s consistent with the classy little details like the wood-grain dash, the snap-in Berber carpeting, the finished head compartment and the color-matched gel coat in the engine compartment. In fact, the builder’s fine execution of the 232 Limited will force you take a second look at the price tag.

The Entertainment Center

The best part of this boat, for my money, is the swim platform. It’s the center of activity on the 232 Limited when you’re anchored at your favorite beach or cove, and rightly so. The deck surfaces are covered in what they call Hydro-Turf mats, and backrest cushions are integrated in the design. There’s a mount for the cockpit table, so you can enjoy refreshments at the water’s edge. A freshwater shower and a remote for the stereo complete the details, and the platform lifts to provide storage underneath. The design offers a smooth transition between being in the water and being in the cockpit. Think about it; when you spend the day with

your family on a boat like this what do the kids want to do? Anchor so they can get in the water. This boat offers the perfect platform for that kind of family fun.

Our Test

We cruised around one of the lake systems in Central Florida to do a little sightseeing. The connecting canals offered shallow, environmentally sensitive wetlands to cruise through. The waterjet propulsion systems didn't appear to effect the fragile plant and animal life at all. In terms of performance data, I was impressed by what I saw. We rocketed up out of the hole in 2 ½ seconds, and reached thirty in 4.8 seconds. Our top speed was 50.3 MPH, and we figured that we could cruise for 171 miles at 28.4 MPH on a tank full of gas.

A Class Act

The 232 Limited is as good looking as she is functional and durable. It will serve your whole family well for a long day on the water. When the day ends, this is a classy ride for the adults to take a harbor cruise or go for a nice dinner at that waterfront bistro across the bay. I was fortunate to have my wife along for this test ride, and she loved this boat. I'm sure you will, too.