



Cranchi T-36 Crossover

Eclectic opportunities await.

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Founded in 1870, Cranchi Yachts is arguably one of the more popular boat manufacturers in Europe. With two large production plants located near Lake Como, Italy, Cranchi (pronounced 'cranky') produces a large and impressive line of luxury day cruisers, trawlers, and motor yachts. For 2018, Cranchi unveiled a brand new model at the Dusseldorf Boat Show, the Cranchi T-36 Crossover.

As the Crossover name implies, the unique styling of the T-36 incorporates a blend of several different yacht designs. Is it an express cruiser? A trawler? Perhaps a pilothouse? Whatever you want to call it, the T-36 boasts a spacious layout for a vessel of its size, had the capability of economical cruising, and when you want to get where you want to go to a port in a hurry, you can get the hull up on plane and reach a top speed of almost 30 knots.

To underline the eclectic crossover features of the T-36, a pair of bicycles were mounted to the hardtop appears in much of Cranchi's promotional material. If cycling is not your thing, kayak, canoes, or SUP's can be easily mounted here. Generous side decks lead to the bow where you'll find a large sunpad, which can even be fitted with a unique sunshade. Buyers have the option of choosing from a variety of hull and hardtop colour com-

binations to add their own flair to this unique vessel.

From the very spacious swim platform, a walkway to starboard leads to the cockpit fitted with an L-shaped bench seat large enough to accommodate a small crowd. A large sliding glass door leads to the main salon where you'll find a large U-shaped seating area to port and off to starboard, a generous sink and cooktop are neatly concealed under a large flip-up counter. Ample storage is found below and above the countertop.

The helm is located forward and off to starboard. The large windscreen and wrap around windows offer a clear and unobstructed view when cruising. Two large hatches in the hardtop offer up plenty of natural ventilation, and optional heat and A/C is available as well – a must have feature, in my opinion.

On the lower deck, the T-36 Crossover is available in two configuration – two stateroom and two heads, or a three stateroom and one head. Regardless of the layout, sleeping accommodations are generous and quite impressive for a vessel this size.

Cranchi Yachts uses Volvo power exclusively, and the T-36 Crossover is fitted with a pair of Volvo Penta D4 (260 hp or 300 hp), which power a pair of stern drives. Top speed is reported to be in the 30 knot

range, and a fast cruise of around 20 -22 knots. When in 'trawler mode' cruising speed would likely be in the 10 knot range.

Recently, the first T-36 arrived in North America and is currently lying in Montreal, and is available for viewing. It's eclectic enough to warrant taking a serious look.

SPECIFICATIONS

LOA:	11.7m / 38'4"
Beam:	3.49 m / 11'5"
Draft (drives down):	0.99 m / 3'3"
Dry Weight:	8449 kg / 18,739 lbs.
Fuel:	598 L / 158 US gal.
Water:	189 L / 50 US gal.
Waste:	98 L / 26 US gal.
Price:	see dealer

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