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## Project DAS

By Andrew Johansson, Mar 28, 2011

France-based Verhaaren Naval Architects has revealed a new 37-metre lightweight composite superyacht concept, designed specifically for day trips in the Arabian Gulf, enabling her owner to visit the islands in the area and enjoy sport fishing. "Thanks to the experience and wishes of its Gulf customers, Project DAS benefits from all of Verhaaren Naval Architects fast naval vessel expertise, as well as its wide experience of Gulf countries," explains managing director, Thierry Verhaaren.



Able to accommodate between six to eight guests and five crew, the DAS concept has a single open space in the main salon, with two large windows that can open when at anchor to offer panoramic views. On the aft deck, a retractable dining table has been included to allow for sheltered dining, however, further details of the interior have yet to be announced. A central tender garage at the stern, which features a bathing platform, can recover and launch a 3.6-metre RIB tender or two jet skis for easy access to the sea.

Her carbon/epoxy composite structure will be powered by two MTU 16V 4000 M90 engines producing 2720 kW, with two KMW 63 S3 water jets, achieving a maximum of 47 knots. "Thanks to its hydrodynamic characteristics, weight balance and power to weight ratio, Project DAS offers excellent sea-keeping and performance," says Verhaaren. "Water jet propulsion ensures safe shallow water navigation and high maneuverability."

Read more on Thierry Verhaaren in the next issue of SuperyachtDesign, Q6, where he discusses the issue of conversion or refit.



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