



Open Season



◆ **THE Marquis 420 Sport Bridge** debuted at the Miami International Boat Show last winter, but this 42-foot cruiser is all about summer fun. Conceived by Italian design firm Nuvolari-Lenard and constructed by Marquis Yachts, the boat has the same running surface and svelte profile as the Wisconsin builder's 420 Sport Coupe but features an open fly-bridge with twin helm seats, plus options that include a table for alfresco dining and a large sun pad for lounging and entertaining.

The sense of openness aboard the 420 Sport Bridge extends to the teak-clad platform aft. The transom lounge located in front of the platform electronically slides forward and back, enabling owners to enlarge the exterior space from 54 to 60 square feet. With the transom in the forward position, the platform serves as a spacious staging area for swimming and snorkeling. Sliding the transom back opens up the exterior space leading into the salon, which is connected to a galley, the primary helm station, and an entertainment center. Belowdecks the boat offers a master stateroom with a queen-size bed, a smaller stateroom with twin berths, and a head with a shower.

Priced from \$695,000, the 420 Sport Bridge cruises to a top speed of 34 knots when powered by a pair of 425 hp engines, the most potent option for this model. For maneuvering at slower speeds, the cruiser comes standard with Volvo's IPS propulsion system, which allows for easy joystick control when docking. —MICHAEL VERDON

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