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## Ferretti 550

Lots of accommodation and a spritely performance

**What they say** "This innovative motor yacht has been inspired by a new concept of space. Three cabins and three bathrooms in only 17.3m: a result that represents a new goal for Ferretti Yachts engineers and designers."

**What we say** Ferretti do themselves down: with its commodious crew cabin this boat in fact offers seven berths and four heads – in 57ft and with a top speed of 37 knots to boot. Quite a mouth-watering prospect and it's no surprise this boat has proved more than popular since its launch at Cannes last summer.

Prospective buyers seeing the boat on its London debut will have been immediately wowed by the massive saloon.

The beamy 550 delivers space and pace.



The folding glass bulkhead opens onto the cockpit.



The forward cabin and galley (below).



### At a Glance

**LOA** 57ft 0in (17.37m)  
**Beam** 16ft 2in (4.93m)  
**Top speed** 37 knots  
**Engines** Twin 900hp MAN V8  
**Price from** €1.25 million ex tax (approx. £987,000 inc UK VAT)

With a beam of 16ft 2in (4.93m) this is a very wide vessel and Ferretti have used that to full effect. The sense of space is heightened by an impressive one-piece windscreen and Ferretti's customary rear windows, which fold up to create a luxury alfresco living room.

The galley is kept separate from the saloon by dropping it down three steps. It's meant as a crew area, with a cabin and bathroom off the smart cooking area, but unsurprisingly would be more than adequate for any of your guests.

There are aesthetically pleasing touches all over the place, but the fat and chunky guardrails and mooring cleats surely take some beating, and on a boat this size they are a seamanlike touch too. A typically luxurious addition is the basin by the cleats, presumably so you can wash your hands after handling those nasty dirty ropes. Down below there are three good-sized cabins, all ensuite, with immaculate upholstery and large oval windows in both the guest cabins.

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## Cranchi 43 Mediterranée

The latest from Cranchi packs IPS drives

**What they say** "The latest addition to the popular Mediterranée range, offering lots of stylish accommodation and packing in IPS600s for sharp performance and handling."

**What we say** This is Cranchi back to their best. The 43 is a great-looking open sportscruiser that oozes style both inside and out. The cockpit offers bags of space and a commanding central helm position with three raised seats offering superb all-round visibility. Some of the brightly coloured surfaces are a little garish but the large sunpad that lifts hydraulically to reveal a cavernous engine bay is both smart and practical. A smaller quick-access hatch is an extra. Tenders will have to live on the oversized bathing platform, and lifted on with the aid of the crane/passerelle. Headroom down below is exceptional for a boat of this size, and the classy aft cabin is a tour de force. The price is a big step up from the 41 Endurance but given the extra style, space and the costly IPS600 system that is hardly surprising. There is also a hardtop option.

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### At a Glance

**LOA** 44ft 0in (13.41m)  
**Beam** 13ft 4in (4.10m)  
**Top speed** 35 knots  
**Engines** Twin 435hp Volvo IPS600  
**Price from** £322,960 inc UK VAT

The raised central helm looks amazing.



Aft cabin has headroom and style to spare.



The IPS600 drives are visible at the stern.

