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The Sea-Worthiness of Aston Martin

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For those subscribers and readers of Grand Touring who are living in Miami or plans to be there this weekend, it is worth checking out the “Yachts Miami Beach” on Collins Avenue. One of the major stands there will be Quintessence Yachts, one of the premier boat builders in the industry, who will unveil the Aston Martin AM37 powerboat prototype for the first time in the U.S. at this event, which is regarded for being a major boat exhibition with the largest yacht collection in the world.

The AM37, a collaborative work between Quintessence and the famous British sports car marque had her world premiere in Monaco back last September. The concept of the design is to translate the brand’s “DNA” in both innovation and bespoke craftsmanship throughout the 37-foot craft, giving her the style and elegance befitting the Aston Martin name.

The eight people cruiser was designed with a signature sliding deck that can cover the cockpit at a single touch of a button. She features the one piece surround windscreen which has a unique double curvature. More attention to detail that is typical of Aston Martin’s bespoke design can found in the cockpit’s dashboard that is made from carbon fibre, with appropriate leather trims and polished metals.

The innovation of this prototype is extended to the cabin, where the table can be stowed and converted into a double bed with complete amenities available, from a fridge, air-conditioning, microwave oven, espresso machine, lavatory and even mood lighting. The entire interior is made tastefully with leather, metal, glass and wood. Not forgetting that it is an Aston Martin of course is the issue of power. Should you be interested in acquiring one, then there is the choice of twin Mercury diesel 370-horsepower engines or two Mercury petrol 430-horsepower engines that can get you up to 45 knots. But if those are not enough, then you can upgrade to an AM37S that has the more potent 520-horsepower Mercury petrol twin units (like shoehorning a V12 into a Vantage) that can get you another 5 knots.