



Sylvan

1984

Runabouts and  
Fishing Boats



## 22' Offshore



### OFFSHORE 22' I/O

**Standards:** 2-20 gal. built-in gas tanks • 4 cleats • Full camper enclosure • Bow rails • Stern rails • Full instrumentation • Ice box • Porti-potti space • Marine carpet • Interior lights • Side bumper rails • Bilge and blower • Front hatch • Rear and convertible lounge • Ladder • Cabin curtains • Removable rear jump seats • Bold accent striping.  
**Options:** Mooring cover.  
**Color:** Brown

### OFFSHORE 22' O.B.

**Standards:** 30 gal. built-in gas tank • 4 cleats • Top and boot • Bow rails • Stern rails • Full instrumentation • Ice box • Porti-potti space • Marine carpet • Interior lights • Side bumper rails • Bilge pump • Front hatch • Cabin curtains • Rear bench seat • Camper enclosure • Bold accent striping.  
**Options:** Mooring cover.  
**Color:** Brown



22' O.B. 22' I/O



Enjoy your favorite water recreation with the Offshores from Sylvan. Either the 22' or 18' models can give you the features you want from a cabin boat. Camping enclosures give you that important overnight capability.

## 18' Offshore

### OFFSHORE 18' O.B.

**Standards:** Top and boot • Bilge pump • Built-in gas tank 20 gal. • Removable rear jump seats • Side bumper rails • In-floor storage • Full instrumentation • Table • Front hatch • Porti-potti space • Interior lights • Bow rails • Marine carpet • Bold accent striping.  
**Options:** Mooring cover • Camper enclosure.  
**Color:** Blue

### OFFSHORE 18' I/O

**Standards:** Top and boot • Bilge pump • Built-in gas tank • Removable rear jump seats • In-floor storage • Side bumper rails • Front hatch • Porti-potti space • Interior lights • Full instrumentation • Bow rails • Marine carpet • Stern rails and ladder • Bold accent striping.  
**Options:** Mooring cover • Camper enclosure.  
**Color:** Blue



18' I/O 18' O.B.





# Skipper

## SKIPPER 22' I/O

**Standards:** Top and boot • Marine carpet • Glove box • Side bumper rails • Built-in gas tank • Full instrumentation • Lights • Bilge and blower • Bow rails • Stern rails • In-floor storage • Ladder • Carpeted deck • Walk-thru windshield w/ladder • Bold accent striping.

**Options:** Mooring cover • Side and aft curtains.

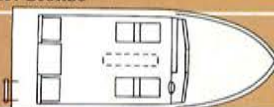
**Color:** Bronze

## SKIPPER 18' I/O and O.B.

**Standards:** Top and boot • Marine carpet • Glove box • Side bumper rails • Built-in gas tank • Full instrumentation • Bilge pump (O.B.) • Bilge and blower (I/O) • Walk-thru windshield w/ladder • Removable rear jump seats • Carpeted deck • Lights • Bold accent striping.

**Options:** Mooring cover • Side and aft curtains • Bow rails • Stern rails • Ladder (I/O).

**Color:** Bronze



22' I/O



18' I/O  
and O.B.



Easy to drive Skippers give you runabout performance and the advantage of aluminum economy. The 22' and 18' Skippers come in I/O and O.B. models.

# Ski-Tastic

## SKI TASTIC

**Standards:** Full instrumentation w/ dual speedometer • 3 fins on bottom • Deluxe steering wheel • Swim platform • Front storage • Center ski pole • Deluxe accent striping • 351 Pleasure Craft engine • Sliding adjustable driver's seat • Horn • Bilge pump and blower.

**Options:** Mooring cover

**Colors:** Bronze • Blue • Brown • Rust







## 22' Sportster

### SPORTSTER 22' O.B. and I/O

**Standards:** Top and boot • Marine carpet • Glove box • Side bumper rails • Built-in gas tank • Full instrumentation • Bow rails • Carpeted deck • Bow cushions and back rests • Bilge pump • Rear bench seat • Walk-thru windshield • Sleeper seats • Lights • Bow storage • In-floor storage • Bold accent striping.  
**Options:** Live well with swivel seat • Side and aft curtains • Bow curtain • Mooring cover.  
**Color:** Brown



22' I/O 22' O.B.



The Sportsters come equipped with standard features such as sleeper seats, full instrumentation and in-floor storage. Attractive design and comfortable cushions add to the appeal of the sportsters.



## 18' Sportster I/O

### SPORTSTER 18' I/O

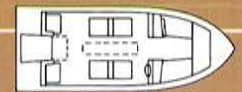
**Standards:** Top and boot • Marine carpet • Bow rails • Carpeted deck • Bow cushions and back rests • Jump seats • Bilge and blower • Built-in gas tank 18 gal. • Glove box • Side bumper rails • In-floor storage • Full instrumentation • Sleeper seats • Lights • Bow storage • Walk-thru windshield • Bold accent striping.  
**Options:** Mooring cover • Side and aft curtains • Bow cover.  
**Color:** Brown





# 18' Sportster

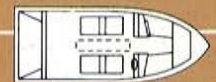
**SPORTSTER 18' O.B.**  
**Standards:** Top and boot • Marine carpet • Bow rails • Carpeted deck • Bow cushions and back rests • Jump seats • Bilge pump • Built-in gas tank 20 gal. • Glove box • Side bumper rails • In-floor storage • Table • Full instrumentation • Sleeper seats • Bow storage • Lights • Walk-thru windshield • Bold accent striping.  
**Options:** Mooring cover • Side and aft curtains • Bow cover.  
**Colors:** Blue • Brown



The Sportsters come equipped with standard features such as sleeper seats, full instrumentation and in-floor storage. Attractive design and comfortable cushions add to the appeal of the Sportsters.

# 16' Sportster

**SPORTSTER 16' O.B.**  
**Standards:** Sliding doors to gas tank • Side bumper rails • Non skid carpeted deck • Bilge pump • Bow cushions and back rests • Marine carpet • Split bow rails • In-floor storage • Walk-thru windshield • Bow storage • Lights • Sleeper seats • Bold accent striping.  
**Options:** Top and boot • Mooring cover • Side and aft curtains • Bow cover.  
**Colors:** Medium Blue • Rust • Brown





# 14' Sportster

## SPORTSTER 14' O.B.

**Standards:** Pillow back sleeper seats • Bow cushions and back rests • Carpeted floor and deck with four cleats • Walk-thru windshield • Bow storage • Lights • Bold accent striping.

**Options:** Mooring cover • Bow rails • Top, side, aft and bow cover.

**Color:** Rust



The Super-Sportster gives you the same great features of the Sportster with the same economy. But there's an important difference. Super-Sportsters turn into fishing boats when you add the optional fishing platform.

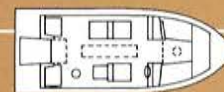
# 18' Super Sportster

## SUPER-SPORTSTER 18' O.B.

**Standards:** Top and boot • Carpeted deck • Bow cushions and back rests • Removable jump seats • Bilge pump • 20 gal. built-in gas tank • Glove box • Side bumper rails • In-floor storage • Table • Full instrumentation • Live well with swivel seat • Rod holders • Floor mounted base for fishing seat • 1 sleeper seat • Walk-thru windshield • Lights • Bold accent striping.

**Options:** Side and aft curtains • Bow cover • Mooring cover • Insert for bow area fishing seat • Extra seat • Removable pedestal • Bow rails • Seat arms.

**Color:** Blue • Brown

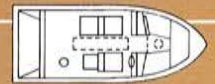




# 16' Super Sportster



**SUPER-SPORTSTER 16' O.B.**  
**Standards:** Carpeted deck and floor • Sliding doors to gas tank • Side bumper rails • Bilge pump • Bow cushions and back rest • In-floor storage • Live well with swivel seat • 1 sleeper seat • Rod holders • Floor mounted base for fishing seat • Walk-thru windshield • Lights • Bold accent striping.  
**Options:** Top and boot • Side and aft curtains • Bow cover • Mooring cover • Insert for bow area fishing seat • Extra fishing seat.  
**Color:** Red • Blue • Brown

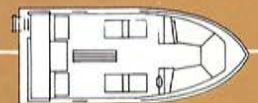


Treat yourself to all the fine features that a fiberglass boat can offer. The V 190 and V 153 are beautiful and equipped to perform.

# V190 I/O



**V 190**  
**Standards:** Built-in 30 gal. gas tank • Top and boot • Full instrumentation • In-floor storage • Swim platform and teak taff rails • Bilge and blower • Marine carpet • Glove box • Soft cushioned pillow back seats • Bow rails • Walk-thru windshield • Bow cushions and back rests • Lights • Bold accent striping.  
**Options:** Mooring cover • Side and aft curtains • Bow cover • Ice cooler.  
**Colors:** Rust • Bronze • Blue • Brown

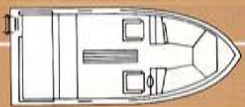






# I/O V190 Sport

**V 190 SPORT I/O**  
**Standards:** Built-in 30 gal. gas tank • Top and boot • Full instrumentation • In-floor storage • Swim platform and teak taff rails • Bilge and blower • Marine carpet • Glove box • Soft cushioned pillow back seats • Bow rails • Walk-thru windshield • Bow cushions and back rests • Lights • Sun lounger with bench seat • Two bucket seats • Bold accent striping.  
**Options:** Mooring cover • Side and aft curtains • Bow cover • Ice chest.  
**Colors:** Rust • Bronze • Blue • Brown

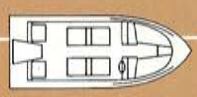


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# V153

**V 153**  
**Standards:** Top and boot • 2 coolers • Marine carpet • Glove box • Bow rails • Bilge pump • Step pad • 4 cleats • Rear jump seats • Sleeper seats • Bow cushions and back rests • Lights • Bold accent striping  
**Options:** Mooring cover • Side and aft curtains • Bow cover.  
**Colors:** Medium Blue • Brown • Bronze • Rust



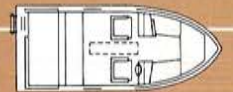


# I/O V171 Sport

## V 171 SPORT I/O

**Standards:** Built-in gas tank • Top and boot • Marine carpet • Glove box • Bow rails • Bilge and blower • Swim platform and teak taff rails • In-floor storage • Bucket seats • Sun platform with ice chest • Bow cushions and back rests • Walk-thru windshield • Lights • Full instrumentation • Bold accent striping.

**Options:** Mooring cover • Side and aft curtains • Bow cover • Ice chest.  
**Colors:** Medium Blue • Brown • Bronze • Rust



Be a stand out with the V 171 I/O, Sport I/O or O.B. These finely appointed boats give you the luxury you want at a price you can afford.

# V171 I/O

## V 171 I/O

**Standards:** Built-in gas tank • Top and boot • Marine carpet • Glove box • Bow rails • Bilge and blower • Swim platform and teak taff rails • In-floor storage • Sleeper seats • Bow cushions and back rests • Walk-thru windshield • Lights • Full instrumentation • Bold accent striping.

**Options:** Mooring cover • Side and aft curtains • Bow cover.

**Colors:** Medium Blue • Brown • Bronze • Rust

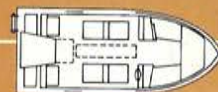




## V171 O.B.

### V 171 O.B.

**Standards:** Built-in gas tank • Top and boot • Marine carpet • Glove box • Bow rails • Bilge pump • In-floor storage • Jump seats • Table • Lights • Sleeper seats • Bow cushions and back rests • Bold accent striping.  
**Options:** Mooring cover • Side and aft curtains • Bow cover • Full instrumentation.  
**Colors:** Medium Blue • Bronze • Brown • Rust



Whether you fish, ski or just cruise the shoreline, the Sportsmasters will serve you well. Features like front platform fishing seat and in-floor ski storage make these aluminum boats winners.

## 18' Sportsmaster

### SPORTSMASTER 18'

**Standards:** Front casting platform • Console • 4 cleats • Carpeted deck and floor • Removable front pedestal and seat plus extra base • Walk-thru windshield • In-floor ski and equipment storage • Rod holders • Rear pedestal and seat • Large front live well w/pump • Side bumper rails • Bilge pump • Sliding door to gas and battery area • Top and boot • Built-in gas tank • Full instrumentation • Lights • Lockable storage area • Bold accent striping.

**Options:** Front cover • Extra seats and pedestals • Seat arms • 1 sleeper seat • Cooler • Side and aft curtains • Forward cover • Mooring cover • Additional live well.

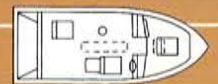
**Color:** Blue





# 16' Sportsmaster

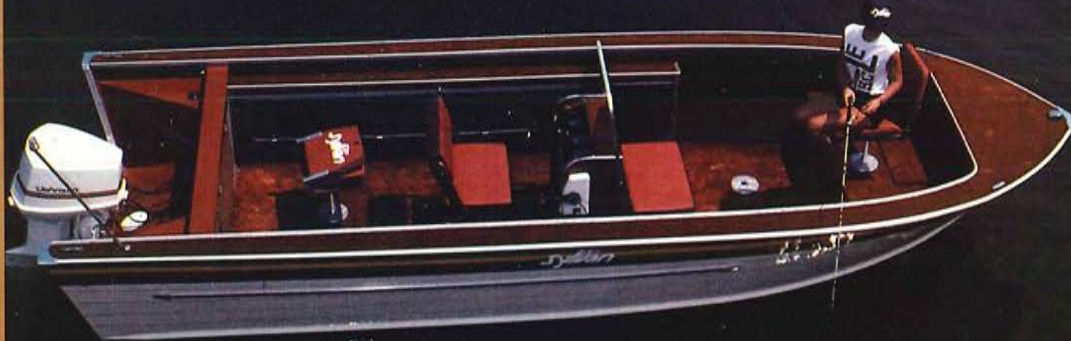
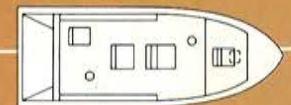
**SPORTSMASTER 16'**  
**Standards:** Carpeted deck and floor • Front casting platform • Removable front pedestal and seat plus extra base • Console • Walk-thru windshield • In-floor ski and equipment storage • Rod holders • Large front live well w/pump • Bilge pump • Side bumper rails • Sliding door to gas and battery area • Rear pedestal and seat • Lights • 4 cleats • Lockable storage area • Bold accent striping.  
**Options:** Top and boot • Front cover • Seat arms • Extra seats and pedestals • Cooler • 1 sleeper seat • Additional live well.  
**Colors:** Blue • Red



Rodmasters bring looks of approval from the faces of the most particular fisherman. They're packed with features that serious fishermen want and the comfort they need.

# 22' Rodmaster

**RODMASTER 22'**  
**Standards:** 30 gal. built-in gas tank • 4 cleats • Full instrumentation • Removable pedestal seats • 4 seat mounting receivers • Bilge pump • 2 lockable rod storage compartments • Center console with flip seat and front seat with live well • Flip-up table • Carpeted deck • Raised front casting platforms • Front storage • Side bumper rails • Lights • Bold accent striping.  
**Options:** Bimini top • Seat arms • Console windshield with grab rail • Mooring cover • Ice cooler.  
**Color:** Rust





# 18' Rodmaster



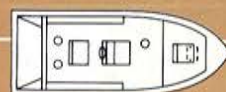
## RODMASTER 18'

**Standards:** Bilge pump • Carpeted deck and floor • Flipback driver's seat (center console only) • Mechanical steering • 4 cleats • Removable front seat and pedestal • Bow and stern lights • Large front live well and pump • Sliding doors to gas tank area • Built-in 20 gal. gas tank • 2 rear seat receivers • Full instrumentation (center console only) • Lockable rod racks (side) with lockable storage area • Bold accent striping.

**Options:** Windshield with grab rail (center console only) • Bow rails • Sun top • Mooring cover • Ice cooler • Seat arms • Extra seats.

**Color:** Blue

Also available - Side Console model



These boats are loaded with standards that could very well be options in other comparable models. Our options make these fishing boats even better values.

# 16' Rodmaster



## RODMASTER 16'

**Standards:** Bilge pump • Carpeted deck and floor • Lockable rod box • Swivel driver's seat • Mechanical steering • 4 cleats • Removable front seat pedestals • Bow and stern lights • Large front live well w/pump • Sliding doors to gas tank area • Rear seat and pedestal • In-floor storage • Raised casting platform • Lockable storage area • Bold accent striping.

**Options:** Windshield • Bow rails • Sun top • Mooring cover • Ice cooler • Seat arms.

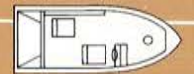
**Colors:** Rust • Red



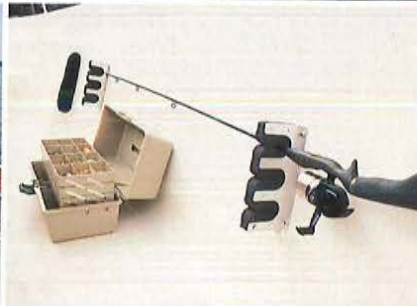


# 14' Explorer

**EXPLORER 14'**  
**Standards:** Live well and pump with swivel seat • Motor well • Carpeted deck and floor • Rod holders • Positive mechanical steering • Bow and stern lights • Cleats • One swivel seat • Bold accent striping.  
**Options:** Windshield • Sun top • Mooring cover • Seat arms • Bow rails • Additional seats.  
**Colors:** Red

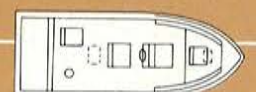


The VFC is all you could ever want in a fiberglass fishing boat. The V hull and center console put you in command.



# VFC 195

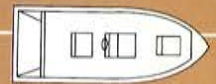
**VFC 195 O.B.**  
**Standards:** Inner liner • Bilge pump • Flipback driver's seat with live well • 3 flush mounted bases for pedestal seats • 2 removable seats • Bow rails • 30 gal. built-in gas tank • Front cooler • In-floor storage • Rod holders • Raised bow platform • Center console with front seat and storage • Lights. [Note: 25" single motor needed—regular long shaft for twins.] • Bold accent striping.  
**Options:** Windshield with grab rail • Full instrumentation • Hydraulic steering • Sun top • Additional 30 gal. gas tank • Cooler for live well • Mooring cover.  
**Color:** White Hull and Deck  
**Interior:** Blue • Gold • Rust • Bronze





## Center Console 16' Seamonster

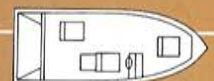
**SEA MONSTER 16' Center Console**  
**Standards:** Rod holders • One pedestal seat • Carpeted deck floor • Running lights • 4 cleats • Console with front seat and storage • Mechanical steering • Live well with pump • Swivel seat.  
**Options:** Bow rails • Seat arms • Sun top • Mooring cover • Windshield with grab rail.  
**Color:** Brown



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## Side Console 16' Seamonster

**SEA MONSTER 16' Side Console**  
**Standards:** Rod holders • Two pedestal seats • Carpeted deck floor • Running lights • 4 cleats • Console • Mechanical steering • Live well with pump • Swivel seat • Raised platform.  
**Options:** Bow rails • Seat arms • Sun top • Mooring cover • Windshield.  
**Color:** Brown

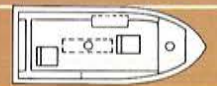




# 16' Backtroller



**BACKTROLLER 16'**  
**Standards:** Live well • Lights • Three fishing seats (two removable, 1 fixed) • Locking rod storage • Bilge pump • Trolling motor receptacle • Carpeted front deck and interior • Storage • Raised casting platform • 3 base plates.  
**Options:** Mooring cover • Ice cooler • Arms for seats • Sun top.  
**Color:** Brown

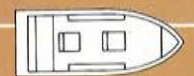


Great for trolling, but these Sylvan gems can give you fishing fun anyway you want. The choice is yours.

# 14' Backtroller



**BACKTROLLER 14'**  
**Standards:** 2 swivel seats • 2 pedestal bases • Carpeted floor • Bench seat • Glove box • Rod storage • Live well • Raised front storage.  
**Options:** Mooring cover.  
**Colors:** Red • Blue





## 15' Bass Catcher

**BASS CATCHER 15'**  
**Standards:** Carpeted floor • Live well with pump • Lights • Bilge pump • Raised front and rear casting platforms • Front trolling motor receptacle • Front and rear storage • 2 base plates • 2 fishing seats • Driver's bench seat • Bold accent striping.  
**Options:** Mooring cover • Arms for seats.  
**Color:** Rust



The Bass Hawk is a top quality, V flat-bottom aluminum boat. The live well and mechanical steering are features you'll enjoy.

## 17' Bass Hawk

**BASS HAWK 17'**  
**Standards:** Live well and bilge pump • Large watertight storage under driver's seat • Trolling motor plug-in • Running lights • Locking storage • Mechanical steering • Locking rod storage • Marine carpet • Ice well • 2 removable seats • 3 base plates • Raised casting platform • Bold accent striping.  
**Options:** Extra seats • Seat arms • Mooring cover • Windshield • Extra ice well.  
**Color:** Blue





# 14' Super Snapper

**SUPER-SNAPPER 14'**  
**Standards:** Marine carpet • Aluminum seats • Rod holders • Under-seat storage • Live well • In-floor drain • Walk-thru seat • Bold accent striping.  
**Options:** Console • Mechanical steering • Mooring cover.  
**Color:** Brown



These boats are different in design, but they have one important thing in common, they are two of the best fishing boats available today. Pure fishing pleasure.

# 16' Sea Snapper

**16' SEA SNAPPER**  
**Standards:** Aluminum seats • Oar locks • Stern castings • bow castings • Non-skid interior.





## 14' Sea Snapper

### 14' SEA SNAPPER

**Standards:** Aluminum seats • Oar locks • Stern castings • Bow castings • Non-skid interior.



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## Sea Breeze

### 12' and 14' SEA BREEZE

**Standards:** Aluminum seats • Oar locks • Stern castings • Bow castings • Non-skid interior.



## 12' Fisherman Advantage



# Canoes

For backwater country, the Sylvan 1984 canoe comes complete with double end square stern styles. The safety spon construction on every model assures you of the dependability of the Sylvan reputation.

Double end models include 15' and 17' canoes. The square stern model is 16'.

We also make 4 models of johns: 10' standard, 12' standard, 12' Deluxe and 14' Deluxe.



Model	Center Length	Beam	Transom Width	Depth	Max. H.P.	Weight	Alum. Thick.	Capacity
Offshore 22' I/O	21'7"	94"	85"	36"	185	1400	.100	2100
Offshore 22' O.O.	21'7"	94"	85"	36"	240	1300	.100	2100
Offshore 18' O.B.	18'5½"	84"	75"	30"	140	1200	.085	1555
Offshore 18' I/O	18'5½"	84"	75"	30"	140	1200	.085	1555
Skipper 22' I/O	21'7"	91"	84"	32"	185	1250	.100	1600
Skipper 18' I/O	18'5½"	84"	75"	30"	140	1024	.085	1555
Skipper 18' O.B.	18'5½"	84"	75"	30"	140	1000	.085	1830
Ski-Tastic	19'2"	80"	66½"	31"	240	1650	—	—
Sportster 22' O.B.	21'7"	91"	84"	32"	240	1200	.100	2100
Sportster 22' I/O	21'7"	91"	84"	32"	185	1200	.100	2100
Sportster 18' I/O	18'5½"	84"	75"	30"	140	1040	.085	1555
Sportster 18' O.B.	18'5½"	84"	75"	30"	140	1020	.085	1810
Sportster 16'	16'2"	76"	70"	28"	90	690	.080	1500
Sportster 14'	14'5"	67"	57"	25"	60	440	.065	1250
Super-Sportster 18'	18'5½"	84"	75"	30"	140	1020	.085	1555
Super-Sportster 16'	16'2"	76"	70"	28"	90	690	.080	1500
V 190	18'7"	96"	90"	33"	240	1650	—	1665
V 190 Sport	18'7"	96"	90"	33"	240	1750	—	1665
V 153	15'3"	83"	78"	23"	100	860	—	1450
V 171 I/O	16'8"	90"	83"	27"	185	1200	—	1565
V 171 O.B.	16'8"	90"	83"	27"	170	1100	—	1915
V 171 Sport I/O	16'8"	90"	83"	27"	185	1300	—	1565
Sportsmaster 18'	18'5½"	84"	75"	30"	140	1020	.085	1810
Sportsmaster 16'	16'2"	76"	70"	28"	90	650	.080	1500
Rodmaster 22'	21'7"	91"	84"	36"	240	1100	.100	2100
Rodmaster 18'	18'5½"	84"	75"	30"	140	920	.085	1810
Rodmaster 16'	16'2"	76"	70"	28"	90	680	.080	1500
Explorer 14'	14'5"	67"	57"	26"	60	440	.065	1100
VFC 195	18'7"	96"	90"	38"	150	1650	—	N/A
* Seamonster 16'	16'2"	76"	70"	28"	60	510	.080	1350
Backtroller 16'	16'2"	76"	70"	30"	60	450	.080	1500
Backtroller 14'	14'0"	67½"	59"	29"	35	250	.064	975
Bass Catcher 15'	15'1"	63"	60¼"	18"	50	400	.070	700
Super-Snapper 14'	14'2"	64"	56"	30"	35	180	.064	850
Bass Hawk 17'	16'7"	73"	71"	22"	60	835	.072	925
Super-Snapper 16'	16'5"	67"	60"	31"	40	420	.070	1100
Sea Snapper 14'	14'4"	64"	56½"	29"	30	210	.065	850
Sea Breeze 14'	13'10"	56"	46½"	20"	15	126	.050	700
Sea Breeze 12'	11'9"	56"	46½"	20"	10	112	.050	600
Advantage	11'9"	52"	46½"	17"	7	93	.050	93

Specifications of any Sylvan boat are subject to change without notice. Warranty information is available upon request. Some boats are shown with optional equipment. Check with your dealer for standard and optional equipment.

\*Side and Center 16' Seamonster



The following excerpts are from an article published by *Boat & Motor Dealer*. The article outlines Sylvan's emergence in the marine industry. The entire article is available upon request.

"Harold Schrock is living proof that anonymity is a gift that any industry, no matter how small, can bestow on its own, no matter how large. With a name known only to a handful within the industry in which he has spent most of the past four decades, Schrock was Mr. Starcraft most of the time and now is president of Sylvan Marine.

"Schrock literally grew up in the boat business, having been identified during much of his working life with family business, Starcraft, Inc. Organized by his father, Arthur, a farmer (who died in 1966 at 85), in 1903 as the Star Tank Company, the company for years manufactured steel livestock watering tanks and other livestock feeding equipment.

"For nearly 75 years, the Schrock family has had its roots and Starcraft its headquarters in Goshen, Ind., a small county seat in Northern Indiana.

"Schrock and his family sold out to Bangor Punta in 1966...

"His selling to Bangor Punta was not the first time Schrock had been determined to sell. In the late 50s, during the 1958 downturn, Schrock became disenchanted with the boat business and agreed to sell to Chris Craft for \$1.5 million. Having agreed to that figure verbally with their New York office, Schrock and his attorney went to Pompano Beach headquarters to sign. But they were told by someone there that the figure was actually \$1.4 million, not \$1.5 million, \$100,000 less. Angered by this, Schrock flew home without concluding a deal. Instead of selling, he decided to make a public offering among Goshen residents and wound up selling 20% of the stock for \$3 million.

"From 1966 to 1969, Schrock continued as president of Starcraft, then a part of Bangor Punta's marine group.

"He decided to re-enter boat building. His son-in-law, John Graff, had acquired Sylvan Industries, Inc., a manufacturer of houseboats and pontoon boats in 1965. Houseboats were dropped in 1968, and the line of pontoon boats expanded. Schrock first acquired from Graff the majority of stock in Sylvan, then a controlling interest in Smokercraft, a line of aluminum fishing boats and canoes. He merged operations of these companies to form Sylvan Marine, and immediately began work on a new line of fiberglass runabouts and deck-type boats.

"Schrock makes clear that his objective in boatbuilding is not to 'build all the boats in the world,' or even become a large builder, much less 'one of the larger ones.' He explains: 'I want to build a good quality boat at a reasonable price. I want to remain a small builder with the volume required to make a decent profit return.'

"Though Schrock has been devoting a considerable amount of his time in the past year or so to Sylvan Marine, he has a number of other business interests he actively heads."



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