

HIGHLIGHTS

- Three cabins/heads
- IPS600 pod drives
- Spacious interior

We're not convinced by the colour but everything else on the 58 look greats



Absolute 58 Navetta

It looks like trawler yachts are the new black and far be it for the Italians to be left behind the trend. First Azimut caved with its Magellano range, then Cranchi and now it seems Absolute has given in to the trawler phenomenon.

Somewhere out there is a chap with a single-engine, 1970s Grand Banks apoplectic that something with a green hull and nearly as much glass in the topsides as it has in the wheelhouse could be referred to as a trawler but hey, that's what it is.

We actually think the 58 Navetta is a good-looking beast, though the green hull may be pushing it a bit – thankfully there's a cream option, too. But the upright screens and Absolute's familiar use of glazing, especially at the bow, translates well on to the 58.

Inside, the effect is brilliant and few builders pack as much natural light into cabins as the Piacenza yard. A pair of Volvo IPS600 pods with a claimed top speed of 26 knots has also allowed the designers to create vast amounts of

space below decks. The engineroom looks huge from the layout plans and, further forward, a generous full-beam owner's cabin and two further guest cabins appear to luxuriate in ample square footage and get their own spacious bathrooms.

The galley is amidships on the main deck, making it easy for the skipper to nip over and make a quick cuppa while keeping one eye on the helm. It also enables the ship's regular chef to socialise with guests in the saloon.

The fast trawler trend continues and we look forward to seeing, and hopefully sea trialling, this one at Cannes in September.

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AT A GLANCE

Length 58ft (17.7m)
Beam 16ft 5in (5m)
Engines IPS600 435hp
Top speed 26 knots
Price from approx £1.2m ex VAT

Vast master cabin gets lots of floorspace and light



Hull windows also make a big difference in the VIP

