

*A yacht builder takes a Fly approach, and an air-taxi service lands in Texas. . .*



**FLY RIGHT** \* Debuting at the European boat shows this past fall was the Absolute Yachts Fly series ([www.absoluteyachts.com](http://www.absoluteyachts.com)), the first flybridge models from the 9-year-old Italian builder. The inaugural offerings are a 50-footer and a 43-footer (U.S. prices unavailable

carries furnishings by Gio Ponti, Robsjohn-Gibbings, and other design-world luminaries, has begun showcasing his own furniture collection, **Delaunay** ([www.craigvandenbrulle.com](http://www.craigvandenbrulle.com)). Van Den Brulle, who named his new line after a type of mathematical triangulation, uses computer design and laser soldering to create maximalist, architectural pieces. At once organic and hard-edged, the \$75,000 made-to-order dining table shown here is a sculptural array of interlocking triangles. The Delaunay collection includes chair and mirror designs that are available in steel, gilt bronze, or chrome and are as striking as the table. . . .

concept that had been gaining momentum prior to the recession. Through its **JetSuite SuiteSpot** ([www.jetsuiteair.com](http://www.jetsuiteair.com)) service, the Southern California-based company offers discounted on-demand light-jet flights along set short-distance routes to and from more than a dozen metropolitan areas of the western United States. JetSuite, which began operating in 2009, flies four-passenger Embraer Phenom 100s between such SuiteSpot cities as Las Vegas, Los Angeles (Van Nuys), Palm Springs, Phoenix, Reno/Tahoe, Sacramento, and Oakland. In December, it added travel between Austin, Dallas-Fort Worth, Houston, and San Antonio. One-way SuiteSpot fares for the entire plane start at \$999 (for a flight, for example, between Van Nuys and Las Vegas on certain days). . . .

at press time), both of which can be configured with either a third stateroom or a full-beam master suite, a rarity in yachts this size. The 50 Fly also has space for crew quarters and triple Volvo IPS600 engines, the latter an option that yields a top speed of about 36 knots. . . .

**SUITE LIGHT** \* Charter-flight provider JetSuite recently expanded into Texas, further revitalizing the air-taxi

**SHINE AND DINE** \* Craig Van Den Brulle, whose namesake gallery in Manhattan's Nolita neighborhood

*Absolute Yachts 50 Fly,  
JetSuite Embraer Phenom 100,  
and Delaunay dining table.*



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