



Lurssen 95m

TIS

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Lurssen has made it clear they are keen to redefine the term megayacht with the recent launch of M/Y Tis. Arching across the horizon at a staggering 111 meters, one could easily mistake this ship for the shimmering skyline of a city. It comes as no surprise then that Tis has been declared one of the largest superyachts in the world and has all the stats to back her up. A beam that measures 18.40 meters creates cavernous interiors, and her length in the waterline is a wondrous 96.20 meters. Make no doubt about it, Lurssen is making a statement.

**Size Means Nothing Without Style**

You may think that her gargantuan size would mark Tis as something as an elephant in the room, but with Winch Design working on both the interior and exterior with Lurssen, together they have curated a shapely vessel with beautiful proportions and sweeping curves - capturing a yacht that blooms with equal measure masculine and feminine elegance.

The designers were well aware that size is nothing without style, and the plan for Tis was to create a yacht that felt like a fresh clean page in an open book – bringing a sense of space and intimacy for creativity to play. With a brief like above, many other designers would have interpreted this as weaving in shades of minimalism and Scandi chic, but not Winch which is perhaps why they were chosen for such a rare and regal task. Instead, Winch wove in hints of timeless classical beauty – a reminder that some of the world’s most glorious buildings and experiences are pure palate cleansers. This explains the touch of classicalism that can be found in the glimmering gold ceilings, the duck egg blue notes, and the Calacatta Vogli marble throughout. In fact, if you were to be introduced to just the interiors of Tis, you could easily think you were wandering through an Italian palace.

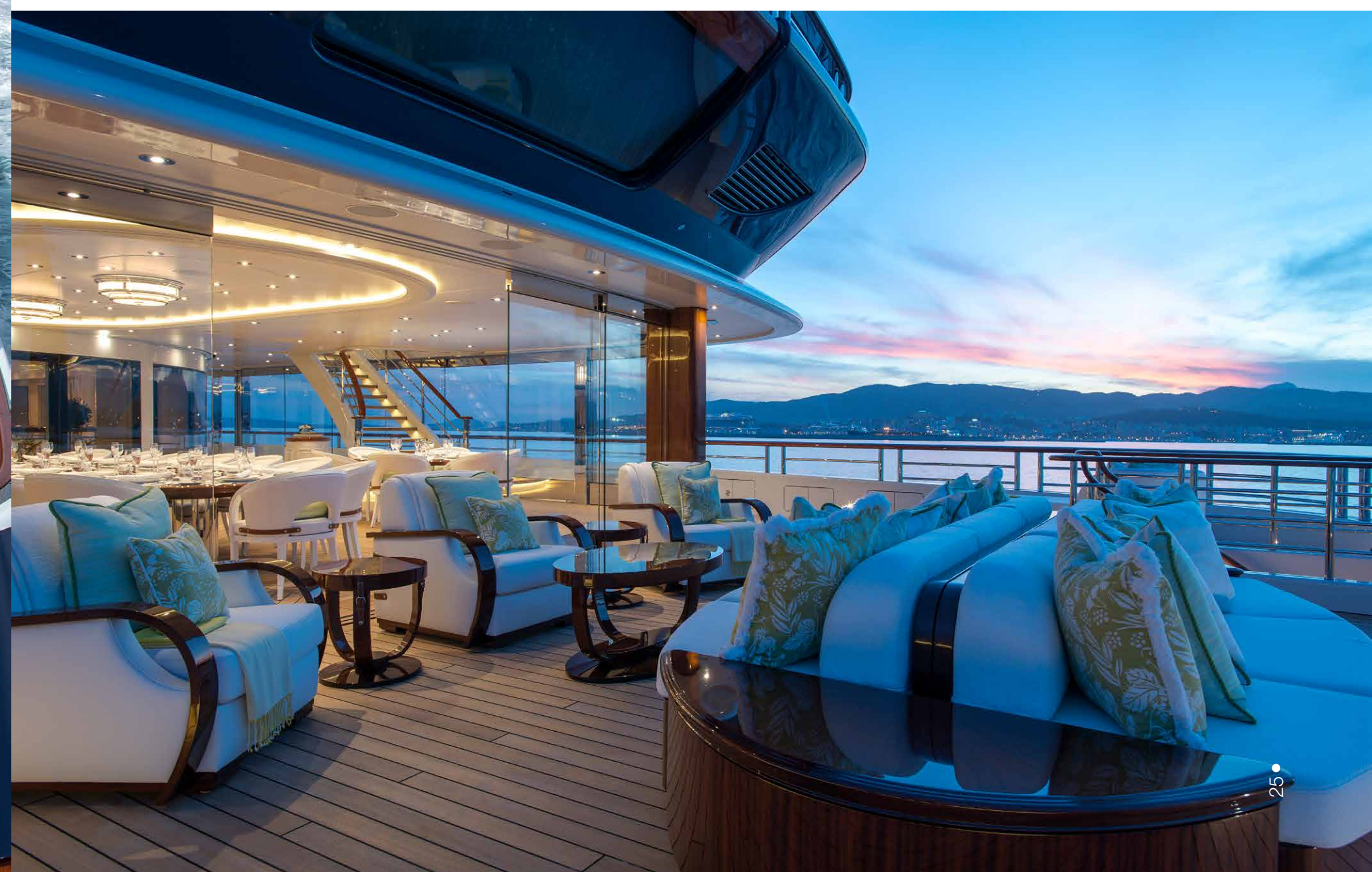
**Svelte in Sapphire and Moonlight White**

But first, to her exterior - svelte in sapphire blue and white with a steel hull and aluminum superstructure, the foundations are laid for a fabulous performance at sea and anchor, marked even more so by the state-of-the-art stabilizers which have been designed to work equally well at zero speed and at her cruising speed of 12 knots. For those days when you truly want to cover ground, TIS proves once again that she finds her size far from a hindrance as she is able to cut through the water like butter at a top speed of 18 knots.











**Notes From An Old-World Opera House**

As soon as you step inside M/Y Tis the effect is nothing short of jaw-dropping. As though designed to set the bar for every step you take, the formal entrance lobby on the main deck is a shimmering vision with its sweeping stairways in marble and trimmed 23.8-carat gold. There’s a sense of having stepped into an old-world opera house as you lift your eyes to gaze at the soaring ceiling where suspended balconies of the upper deck lend a regal sense of romance.

To the aft of the lobby and the allure continues; pulling you dreamily towards a well-dressed office space adorned with sash windows, plump armchairs, and a snow-white fireplace. Moving on and you come to a rich dining room ready to seat sixteen supper guests and already weighty with the wonder of French dishes swimming in butter and worldly wines from the depths of handsome cellars. Roman-style pillars, silken carpets, and Louis XIV style powder blue and gold chairs and color schemes serve to further elevate the experience.

Expertly, the dining room doubles as a beautiful boardroom with the hidden charging points and an ingenious design where a painting disappears to reveal a generous flat screen for conference calls and power presentations.

**Superyacht or Palatial Stay?**

The Salon awaits next and the glorious blend of classical meets contemporary chic style soothes with soft creamy color schemes, just a hint of warm pastel, and a careful balance of light. As to be expected, every inch of material – from timber to textile is the finest that time and money can buy. There’s more than a hint of the Versailles virility especially found in the rich parquet floors, the polished mahogany, the blue silk carpet, traditional Louis XIV furnishings, the singing gold gilding - all framed by the majestic impression made by the two titanic staircases that sweep down effortlessly. Once more, sash windows edge the room, and truly one would believe they were lounging in a five-star Parisian hotel rather than kicking back in palatial style on a superyacht.

This perfectly curated picture is far from accidental, as highlighted by Andrew Winch who confirmed the direction of the design by saying: ‘The interiors are soft, gentle and classic – you could say it has the appeal of a London hotel like Claridge’s or the Ritz.’















### Turn of the Seasons in Every Suggestion

Turning on your heel and climbing the gorgeous staircase, guests will find themselves further enchanted as they enter the owners salon. There's more than a pinch of Parisian flair captured in the soft cream furnishings warmed by sumptuous sage green textiles, smooth marble pillars, leather ceilings and glimmering chandelier adorned in hand-blown glass leaf motifs. If the main salon serves with a cooling touch of summer and spring, the owners salon awes with its murmurings of autumnal calm. Antiques lift the elegance to even higher levels and despite the clear commitment to top of the line living, the owners salon doesn't feel stiff, cold or formal – but utterly inviting to those who want to curl up with a warm whiskey and reminisce with loved ones.

A winter garden sits prettily to the aft of the owners salon, all crystal-clear glass that can easily shift from a warm indoor social gathering to an al-fresco party with the slide of a door. A rich mahogany table entices outdoor diners to pull up a regal seat and indulge in silver service with views out across the sleepy fishing villages of the Amalfi or the glitzy shores of Monaco.

### Sunshine Siestas and Starlit Snoozing

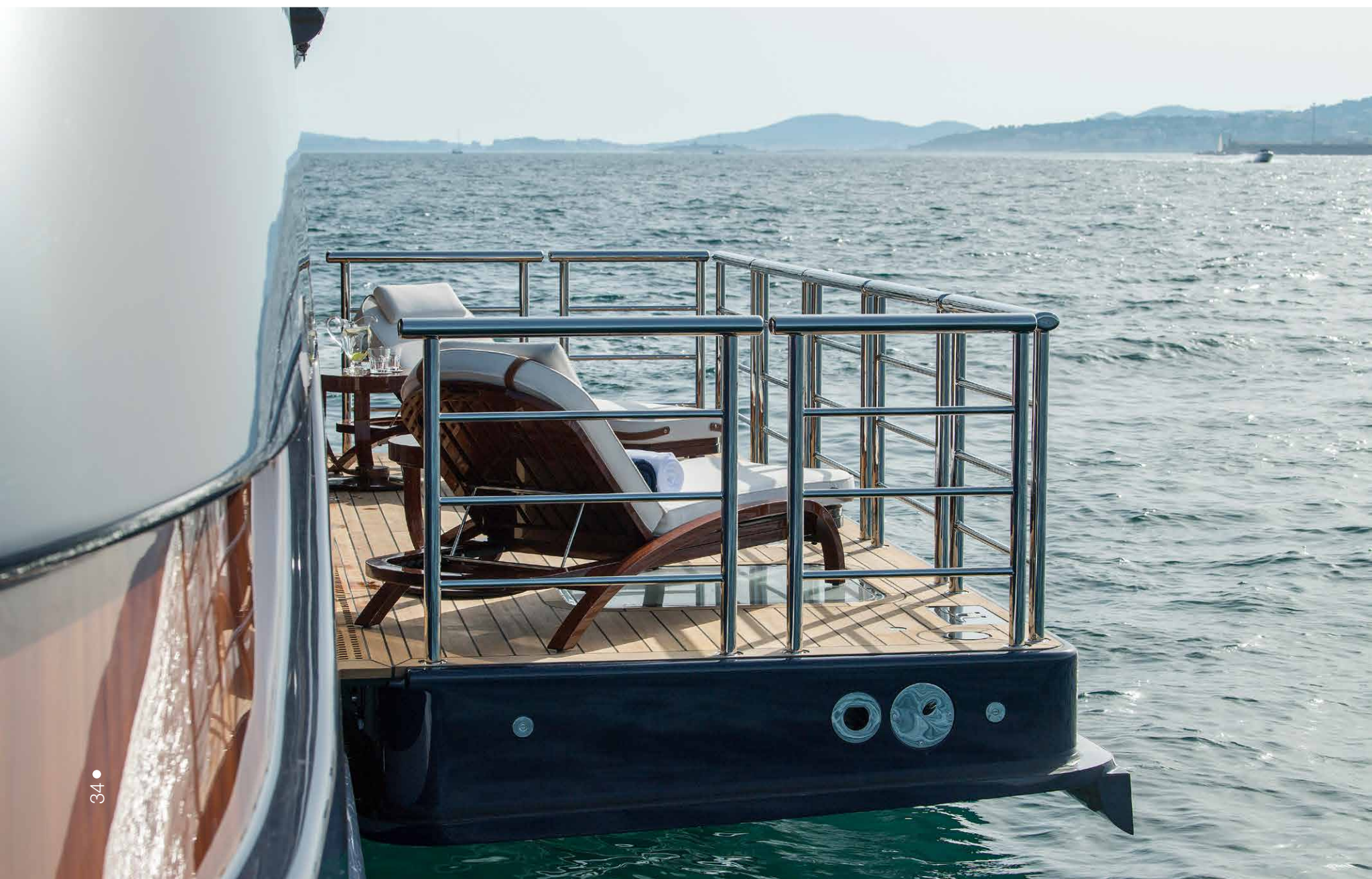
When the grand art of socializing gets too much, the owners can escape to their own plush haven. The stateroom is the epitome of the word heaven, thanks to its cloud-like white bed pleasantly plumped up with pretty pillows and shades of spring. Above the bed, an oversized skylight invites you to sleep beneath the splendid light of the moon or bask in a slice of afternoon sunshine when having a siesta. Tapestry style walls and a beautiful ottoman lend an heirloom feel that warms the heart. Windows wrap around the bow for dreamy bedside views. The his and hers bathrooms are monoliths of clean beauty and for that extra dose of pampering, the owners suite includes a massage room, hair salon, dressing rooms and private balconies to boot.

### Around the World in Eight Cabins

Unlike many yachts where the guest cabins are curated for simple sleeps, M/Y Tis takes hospitality to the highest level. The stunning ship is more than equipped for 16 guests spread across eight charming cabins all designed after somewhere special in the world. From pretty Provence to the exotic energy of Marrakech, the bright lights of New York City and the royal treatment of London, the romance of rolling fields in Tuscany, the adventurous nature of the China Seas, the Tsar like texture of Russia, and the je nais sais quoi of Paris – colors, furnishings, light, and threads have all been woven together to transport guests into a heady world of wonder.



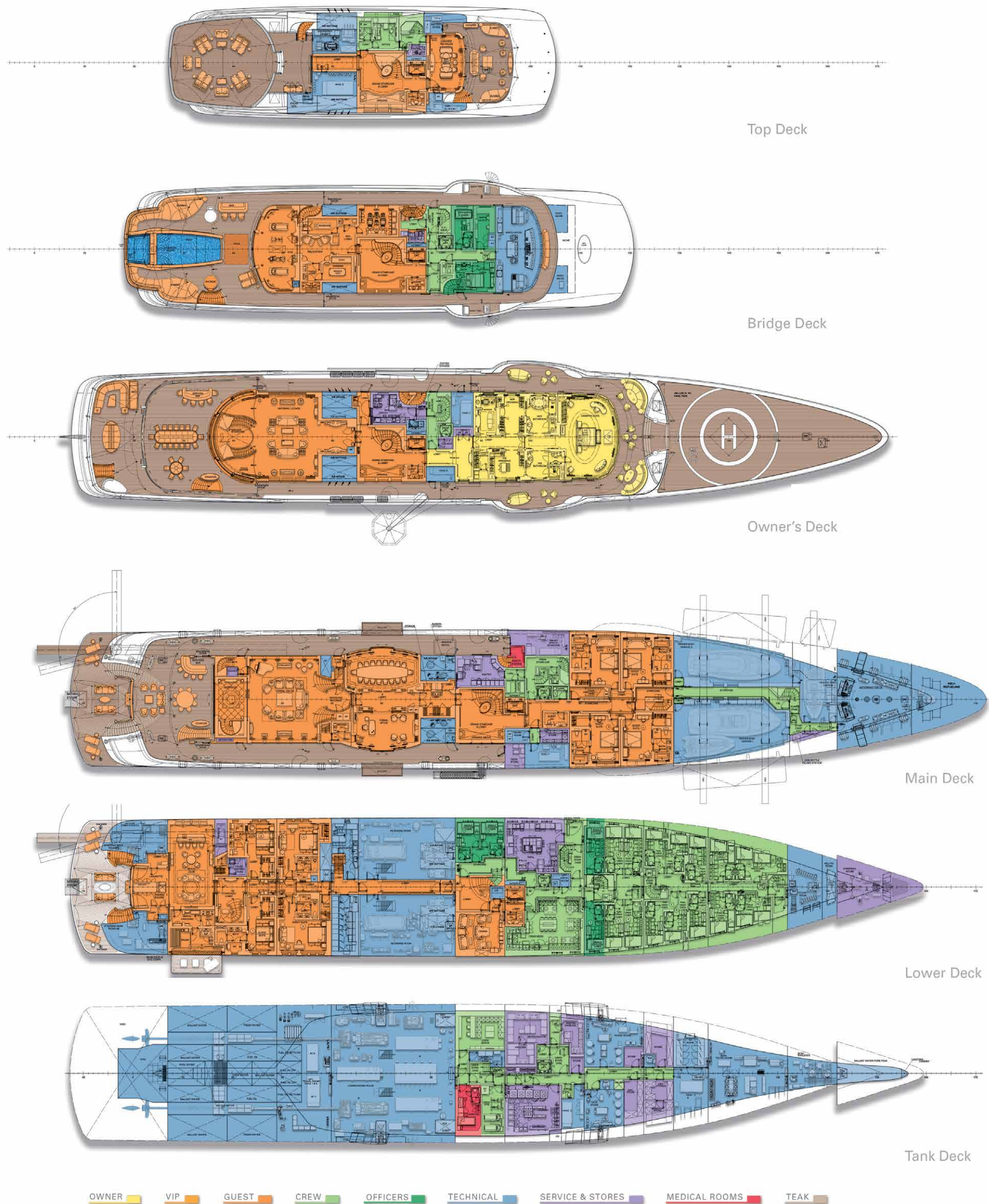












### Lemon Soaked Shores and Cinematic Scores

But the last thing you will want to do on M/Y Tis is hide away in your room (no matter how perfect) as this is indeed a ship of pleasures. The beach club blooms with hints of an Italian summer – all warm teak woods, lime-washed oak, sink down sofas, a buzzing bar area, and a starboard door that leads to a sweltering sauna, refreshing ice-fountain, and foldout swim platform. Following on from the theme of Italian grace, the spa is a vision of salty sea air and citrus, even going as far to have fragrant lemon trees both in real life and carved into stone. Honeyed hues welcome the sunshine, stone floors look like they could have been lifted from the Roman era, and magical mosaics bring a sense of magic. The infinity pool is overtly generous stretching out to 12 meters, the jacuzzi bubbling beautifully on moonlit nights, and a steamy Hamman, rain showers, sunbeds, and opulent spa features invite pure rejuvenation.

If you can bear to tear yourself away from the spa, then perhaps a cinematic evening is on the cards. The art deco cinema sits on the lower deck and can be reached by passing through a soundproofed long glass corridor that cuts beneath the double-sized engine room allowing curious guests to glance up at the very workings of this wonderful ship.

### Pleasure From Tip to Toe

We aren't exaggerating when we say that M/Y Tis is a tizzy of pleasure from tip to toe. Perhaps one of the most enchanting spaces can be found on the upper deck in the shape of the yacht's very own tea-room. Taking inspiration from lazy afternoons in Paris or long lingering appointments in London, the tea-room is pretty enough to tempt the likes of Marie Antoinette herself. Traditional macaroon pastel shades, Louis XIV style, and a light strewn cozy interior provide a haven for ladies who lunch.

Down in the garage and the yacht holds all the toys and tenders one would expect from something so stunning. While brimming with personal watercrafts, the yacht also boasts a double helicopter landing pad that doubles up as a cinema space or dancefloor depending on party plans.

There's no doubt about it, Lurssen has created a yacht to eclipse all others. It takes a certain finesse to bring the likes of Claridges or the Ritz to the seven seas, but by Jove, I think they've done it. ☺

### Specifications

» Length:	77.40m (253' 11")
» Beam:	13.50m (44' 3")
» Draft:	6.50m (21' 4")
» Speed:	11 knots cruising, 14 knots maximum
» Range:	7640 nautical miles





