



TIS been a real **MADSUMMER** –
the sky was a bright **QUANTUM BLUE** and every
day began like an **ELYSIAN** dream with the
AURORA of the warm **RISING SUN**.
In the evening, thanks to the light of a **CRESCENT**
moon, I'd look at the **PLATINUM** mountains,
where a **FLYING FOX** would escape from the bat
caves into unknowable **OASIS** of the deep night.
Even the very smallest things were magical, such as
a tiny **SEA STAR**, in a vast **CORAL OCEAN**.
Then one day, it all started with a **BLIND DATE**.
I met her in **ONTARIO**, she was **RADIANT**.
I hoped that one day she'd **BE MINE** and that
together our possibilities would be nothing less than
LIMITLESS in this wonderful **BELLA VITA**.
It was **KISMET**, fate, and I'd found my **ACE**.

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MY OCTOPUS Season Built by Lürssen | Image courtesy of G. Camper & Nicholson's

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ON BOARD

Octopus, the gentle giant

On board

The magnificent 126m (414ft) Octopus, one of the world's most iconic giga yachts ever, has opened own doors for the first time since her launch in 2003 by the German shipyard Lürssen

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Octopus, the gentle giant

Octopus is one of the world's premier large yachts and represents one of the most legendary and iconic superyachts ever. Built in the German shipyard Lürssen in 2003, she has been in the lead in terms of extreme privacy – still being one of her features today – creating a myth and model to rely upon. Her design was defined by expert Espen Øino with a naval architecture that is still current and adventurous.

Her fame has inspired other sea giants, becoming a point of reference and success to look to, having captured the imagination of many shipowners willing to put themselves to the test with such impressive sizes.

Her volume reaches almost 10,000 Gross Tonnage – with her length of 126.20 metres (414' 1") and her imposing 21.00-metre (68' 11") beam allowing her to circumnavigate the globe in all directions with everything expected of a "go anywhere" global explorer superyacht – while her Ice Class certification has enabled her to reach the most distant glaciers and the most golden beaches in both adventure and total relaxation versions,

like a real superstar. Reliance on a robust steel structure makes it possible to set no limits to travelling. A rare as well as key feature lies in her two helipads, one bow touch & go and one aft, with a garage being available to accommodate both helicopters.

This is instrumental in ensuring easy and fast transport for all guests while extending movement possibilities at all times during travel and enabling remote exploration. Two quiet single-engine Airbus ACH 130 engines are available on board. Elegantly adapted for passenger transport and equipped with VIP and sightseeing functions, they can accommodate up to six passengers, have a range of up to 640 km (350 nm) both in daytime and at night-time, and are fitted with a VFR (visual flight rules) navigation system, reaching a maximum cruising speed of 134kt.

In 2021, Octopus underwent major refitting work that allows her to continue to play a leading role across the oceans. Her 12 guests can rely on exclusive and extensive space developed on 8 decks and flexible hospitality on three decks, with 13 cabins avai-













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lable, including the sumptuous master suite with its own dedicated lift and private observation deck, 2 VIP apartments, seven double cabins and three twin cabins. Her interior design remains warm and welcoming, featuring an array of wood items, marbles and fabrics in an evergreen combination.

A truly valuable element is to be found in wheelchair accessibility, which allows the boat to be used by a much wider audience or to provide hospitality to a truly extended family consisting of diverse age groups and situations.

More importantly, Octopus boasts an enviable entertainment and relaxation platform, complete with a library to enjoy reading during long crossings. Other amenities include a cinema for exciting shows, a rejuvenating spa, perfect after an exploration or an intense workout at the well-equipped gym, a beauty area for special make-ups and toning massages. And to top it all off, a spectacular pool area is available, with numerous bars and refreshment areas for a reunion of guests where they can cool off. The glass

floor rises to create a huge entertainment area complete with dance floor, bar, spa pool and fire power to satisfy all tastes, from a genuine tandoori oven to a huge rotisserie barbecue. If needed, a small basketball court is also available for two-on-two matches.

In cooler climates, guests can spend time enjoying the 180-degree panoramic view in the spacious observation lounge dining room or simply watch the underwater world go by in the glass-bottomed aquarium.

Purest music lovers will undoubtedly appreciate the area designated as a recording studio on the bridge deck, equipped with several musical instruments including a piano and walls that improve acoustics.

One of the features that set this superyacht apart is the marina inside the yacht! As many as seven tenders, including an 18.10m (54') Delta, wave-runners, electric foils, a Dive Center equipped with hyperbaric chamber, SUPs, plenty of inflatables and kayaks and even a ROV, complete the wide range of toys. Last but not least, a submarine is at hand for real un-















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derwater exploration at great depths. The bridge deck also hosts a technological wheelhouse where the captain manages and monitors all the operations on board with extreme determination to coordinate at best his large and skilled 42-member crew to meet the high training standard expected to cope with all the activities on board and ensure an exclusive service – including all the entertainment, reception, safety and functionality options – given the extremely large size of the yacht.

Octopus is powered by eight 4000-HP powerful MTU engines that allow her to take the sea with confidence at a cruising speed of 12.5 knots. She can also rely on a powerful Dynamic Positioning System (DPS) to automatically maintain her position.

After the refitting work and for the first time since her launch in 2003, Octopus will be available for charter through the longest-running brokerage company in yachting, Camper & Nicholson, which this year will blow out its first 240 candles.

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