



Lürssen | 15m  
AHPO

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In today's powerful global culture, as astonishing new discoveries outpace those announced just yesterday, how does one build a truly extraordinary superyacht?

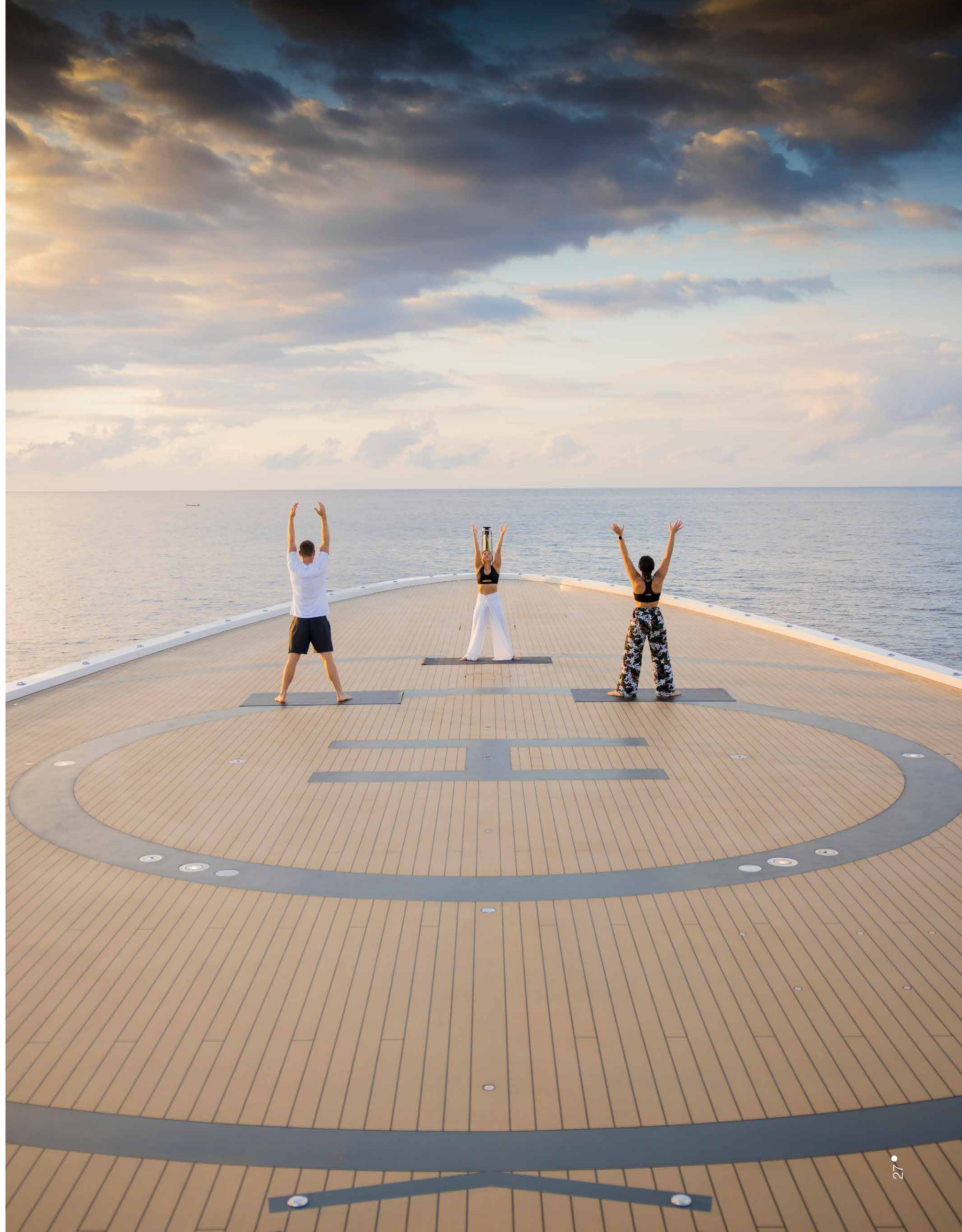
First and foremost, embrace purpose-driven passion for what you do, every single day. The Chinese Jamaican-born Canadian entrepreneur who commissioned such a yacht has it. It is one of the components of his overall success. The Venetian yacht design group at Nuvolari+Lenard that designed such a yacht are inspired by it. Passion flowed from the initial vision through their hands as they drafted each line on this new project. Everyone contributing their talents to such a yacht at Lürssen's German shipyards has proudly put it on display throughout the build. Since 1875, Lürssen has been known for quality, performance, and creativity to realize long-term success.

With specific dreams voiced by the owner, Nuvolari+Lenard moved the owner's vision from thought to paper, sketching the profile and establishing the personality of this new yacht. Embracing a few details from the owner's previous yacht, the 86-meter Quatroelle, many features translated well. Quatroelle, also designed by Nuvolari+Lenard, built by Lürssen, and delivered in 2013, displayed a stylish marque of the letter L on the underside of the bow.

The new yacht would have its own marque displayed similarly below the bow, appearing throughout the yacht in strategic places. Quatroelle's half-round elliptical windows, crisp forward stance, extensive glazing, and plentiful outdoor spaces all became part of the new build, as did the clean white exterior with waterline stripes of gold and black.

As requested by the owner, the new yacht would be similar, emphasizing a family-focus with lots of sports activities and strong links to nature, yet "better, nicer, and richer." With the build managed by Moran Yacht and Ship, it is clear this new build would draw a wealth of emotions from all who approach. While loving a thing, such as a home, a car, or a yacht, is not the ultimate goal, loving the meaningful moments on board this yacht with those closest to the heart prompts positive memories, bringing the yacht into the family with respect, admiration, and gratitude for the opportunities she provides. NAVIS is pleased to introduce to our readers this stunning superyacht, Ahpo.













### By the Numbers

At 115.1 meters, Ahpo is big, but not overly so. She is spacious, with an 18.21 meter beam, an owner's deck, and seven additional cabins with accommodations for 37 crew. She is strong, built in steel and aluminum with a 4.3 meter draft. Her two MTU 20 V 4000 M73 L main engines power her to 18 knots, presenting a 7,000 nautical mile range at 12 knots. She has a Scania DI 13 360 kVA/288 kW soot particle filter, and three HUG auxiliary gensets.

Propulsion is streamlined through two Schaffran controllable pitch propellers and two Kongsberg steering gears with Becker Marine Systems high lift rudders providing a high level of maneuverability, stability, safety, and efficiency. She is fitted with two 240 kW Brunvoll bow thrusters, and a 300 kW Voith stern thruster. Four Quantum XT zero speed stabilizers keep her steady, and a Heinen + Hopman Engineering B. V. air conditioning system keeps her cool. A dynamic positioning system protects the seabed while providing safe anchor whatever the depth.

She carries two 12-meter I.C. Yacht Design NL338 custom limo tenders, two YWM Solas TL 620 rescue boats, four jet skis, and one Carbon Craft CC 130. A helideck, large wellness area with massage room, hammam, Jacuzzi and plunge pool make the beach club a relaxing space for privacy or company. Generators have heat recovery systems to minimize energy used to heat the pools.











## Welcome to Ahpo: The Lower Deck

Ahpo translates to grandmother in Hakka Chinese, honoring the owner's heritage. This yacht is no sedentary knitter, but an active, engaging, graceful combination of old and new. Her passerelles offer several routes to board from the stern to the lower deck or directly to the main. Entering the beach club, however, gives a wonderful preview of what is in store for guests.

The 205-square-meter wellness area features teak decking with an inlaid central logo, a balanced yin and yang, if you will, of pleasantly reflected half circle characters. A pair of chaise lounges to each side suggest a lovely spot to sun or immerse into the blue waters via the center stair allowing easy access. Forward to port, a posh seating area outfitted with a sofa and slightly curved bar with additional seating encourages small gatherings, perfect for a pre-cinema social. A fold down balcony to starboard reveals a wonderful view with fresh breezes.

Also to starboard, a stunning oval tiled Jacuzzi gently suggests waves and colors of the sea. Further starboard, a plunge pool steps up to the lobby entering the sauna and hammam. The sauna is a study in pure lines and curves. The hammam is exquisitely crafted of Moroccan-style tile in similar hues of blue as the Jacuzzi and plunge pool. Further forward to port, a beauty salon and staircase to the main deck, and to starboard, a massage room complete the wellness area.

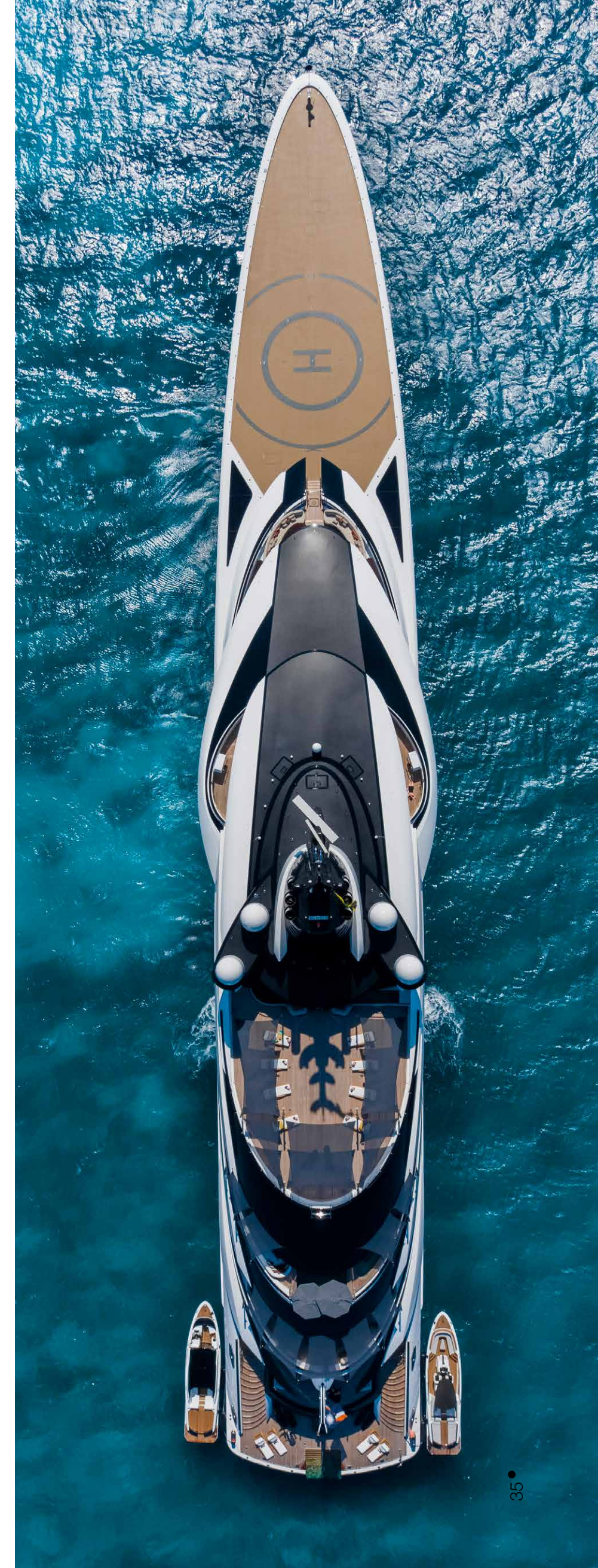
Further forward, a beautifully outfitted en suite guest bedroom sits to starboard. To port, a 12-seat cinema with proper reclining armchairs awaits the newest feature film, or the highlight reel of the day's activities. A starlight ceiling overhead and images of film icons on the walls set the mood. Inlays and textures subtly remind guests of the seas upon which they sail.

Entry to the cinema from the main deck takes a path along a central glass hall from the central staircase, presenting a clear overhead gallery-style view of the two-story engine rooms along either side of the hall. The opportunity to pay respect to the elegant machinery that powers Ahpo are interesting, educational, and incomparable.

Forward of the guest area, the hall leads to the lobby area, staircase, and guest lift, where the bulkhead divides the guest and crew areas accessed by crew stairs. To port is the officer's cabin and a staff cabin, both en suite. To starboard is a pair of en suite staff cabins. All of the cabins are fronted with lobby areas providing respectful privacy.

Forward to port is the large galley, fully featured with a large center island and plenty of counter space and storage. To starboard is the crew mess with seating for 18. A crew lift, lobby, and crew staircase are positioned centrally.

Fully forward are three more areas with separate staircases for 16 crew cabins; two for officers, two single cabins, eight twin cabins, three triple cabins, and a crew plus junior officer's cabin, all ensuite with lobby entrances. There is also a well-equipped crew gym.









**The Main Deck**

Entering the yacht from the stern, two staircases lead up to the main from the beach club to arrive at the cockpit dining area. With a full deck stern sofa, a split table, and six additional dining chairs, the alfresco space is a casual, comfortable, inviting place to experience a light repast.

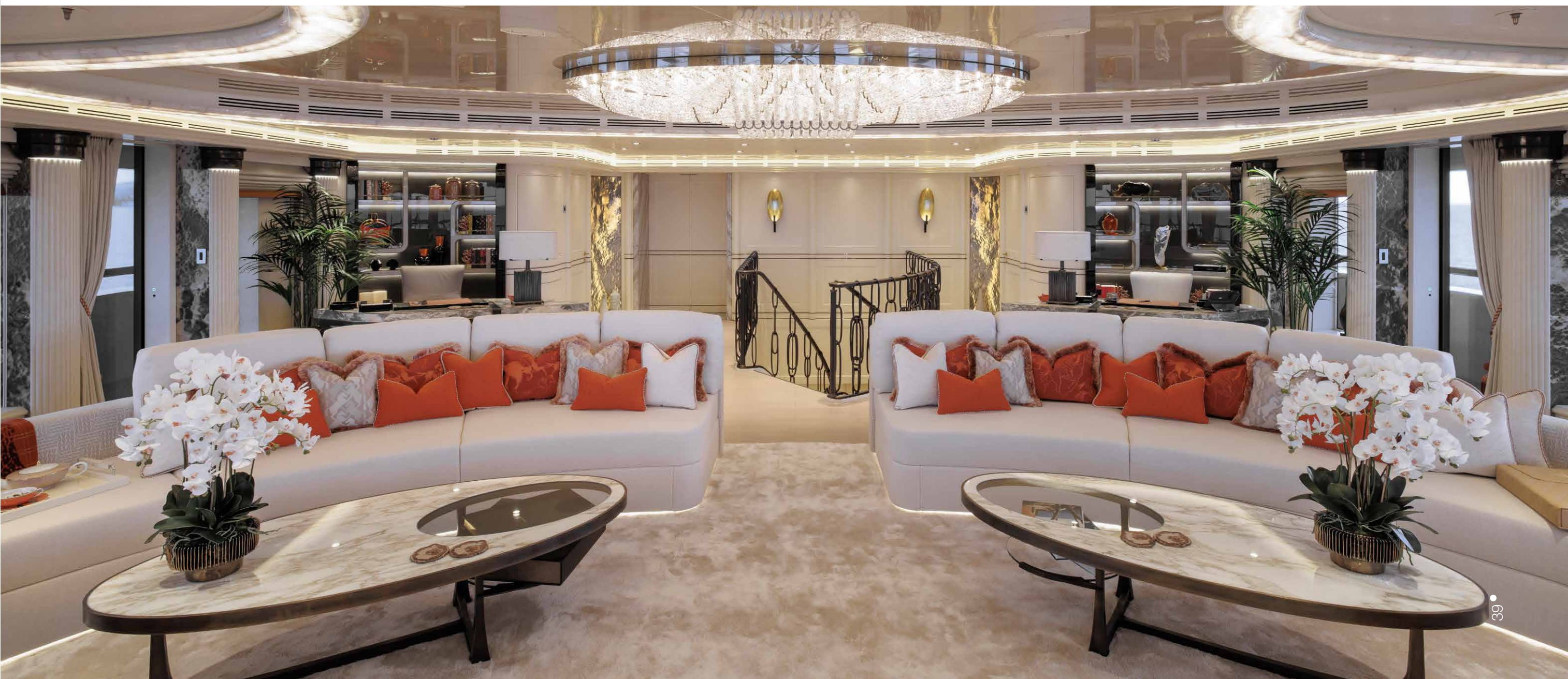
Further forward is the half circle boardroom with large oval table for 12 beneath a sculpted clear and blue glass chandelier. The custom table is crafted with an engraved bronze map of Jamaica lapped by a deep blue sea. Full height curved glazing, echoing the curvature of every deck, ensures remarkable views. The boardroom closes off for privacy while working, but when doors are opened to the salon, the space joins the salon for entertaining.

Forward of the boardroom is the formal salon and tea room featuring a self-playing Steinway grand piano, three lushly upholstered white sofas with pale blue and gold accent pieces, a table grouping, and bar area. A pleasing round crystal chandelier adds softly diffused lighting. A guest head to starboard and a crew stair to port flank the entry to the dining room.

Forward of the main salon, the formal dining room stands ready to serve 22 guests. Curved wood flooring surrounds blue marble beneath the oblong table. Full height windows to port and starboard provide natural light as well as memorable evening views.

Forward of the formal dining room a central lobby leads past the wine storage display to starboard on the way to the grand staircase and lobby. The staircase structure represents a path guided by an olive tree growing to the sky. Each floor identifies with a different marble to differentiate decks, whether blu onyx, green j'adore, or grey lilac, with white onyx petals and contrasting bronze balustrade. The cascading crystal chandelier falls in the shape of feathers in the wind, each of which is handcrafted.

The floor of Calacatta Borghini is shared by all decks. From the staircase lobby to port is a large pantry and flower storage area, flowers being an on board feature favored by the owner's wife. A hall off the lobby leads to four en suite guest cabins, two with freestanding tubs and two with sofa seating areas. Forward of the cabins beneath the deck, garage storage for tenders, rescue boats, and water toys keep them cleverly stored out of view.











### The Owner's Deck

Less formal, more private, and split between the 245 square meter master cabin and the 95 square meter panoramic salon on the deck above, the owner's cabin is spacious yet intimate. Joined by a private staircase, it is the perfect cocoon for tucking in, relaxing, and winding down. The pale palette is subtle with an elegant hand and the details superb.



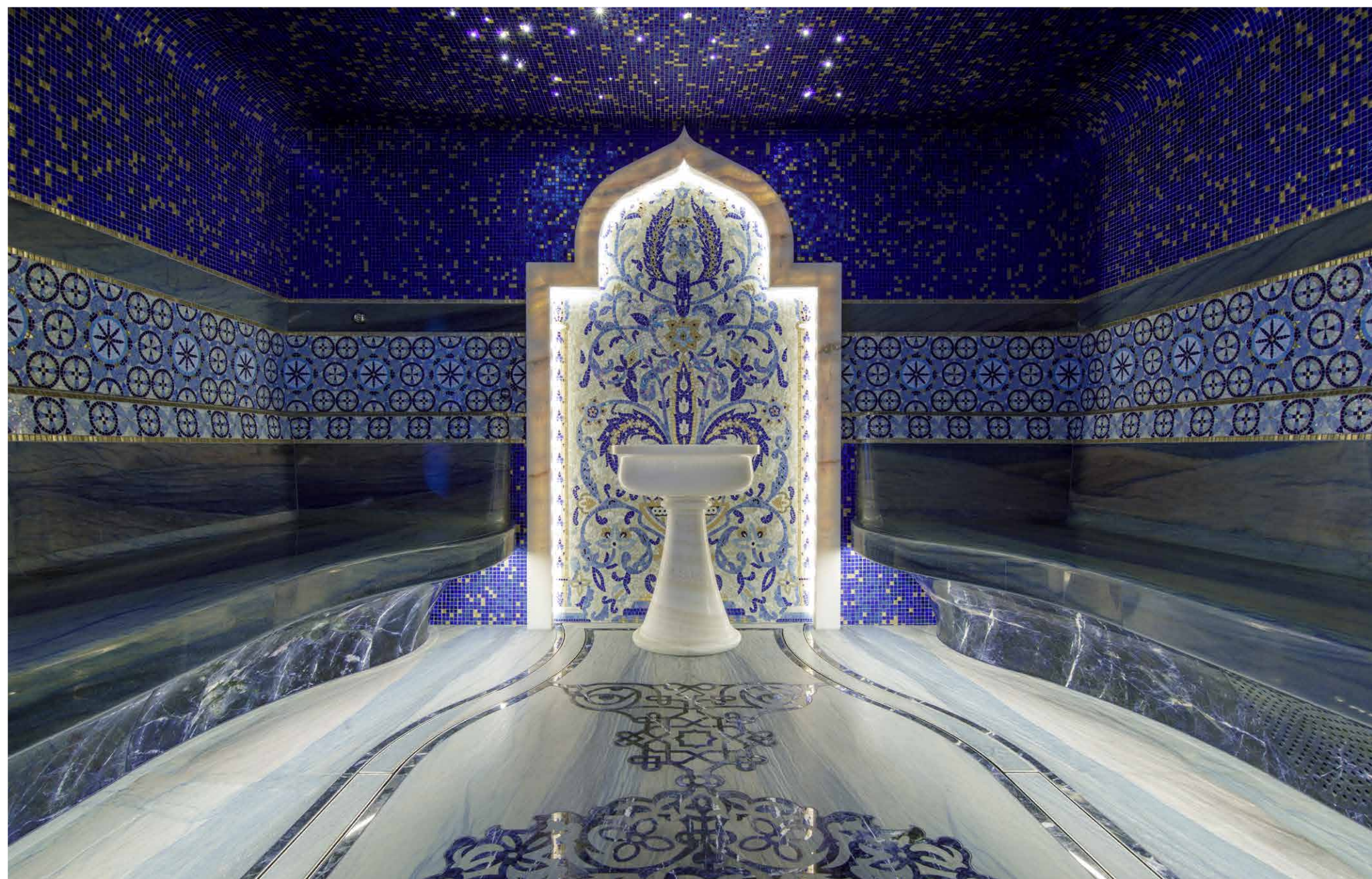
Dual baths and dressing rooms exhibit remarkable finishes, perhaps the most intricate being a Gustav Klimt-inspired mosaic on one shower wall, and cherry blossoms with birds on another. Venetian glass and Portoro marble, along with pink, honey, viola, and Fantastico onyx, all contribute to the symphony leading to the crescendo, the handcrafted freestanding tubs, one in black lined with gold, the other in copper lined with rose gold.

The master cabin bed is backed by a custom headboard adorned with embroidered maple leaves and blue birds. Reclining sofas beckon from each side of the bed. A custom designed table of lacewood and mother of pearl looks forward, inviting a quiet moment. The deck for the owner's apartment looks aft from a white semi-circular sofa, while two private recessed balconies are tucked into quiet corners for an uninterrupted perch of peace.

Amidships, the grand staircase and pantry lead up to the informal lounge. Three curved white sofas with oval coffee tables drink in the 180° view through the curved glass full height glazing. Positioned between the owner's deck and the upper skylounge deck, access to the helipad is through the salon, maintaining privacy in the master cabin. Two custom desks are positioned in the aft of the salon, should efficient work space become essential.

Further forward, an outdoor deck with a pair of C-shaped sofas with low tables, slightly raised from the bow, offer magnificent views with improved protection. It is on this portion of the deck that a winter garden can be open to the elements, or completely enclosed courtesy of folding sliding glass doors. Awash in rattan and cane furnishing and, lush with greenery, the space evokes old style elegance made modern through freshly curated design.









### The Skylounge Deck

From the central stair, access to the aft skylounge takes guests through the very spacious gym, kitted out with multiples of most equipment, a large mirrored space, and full height windows and sliding doors looking out on the aft deck. Post workout, guests can pace to the 8-meter pool with countercurrent swim system, to the teardrop-shaped Jacuzzi, or to the lounge area with bar and modular sofas and tables for a relaxing cool down with a mesmerizing view.

### The Bridge Deck

Atop all this, the bridge deck finds the wheelhouse fully forward, with an en suite captain's cabin that is private and spacious for an instant commute to his station. Designed with woods, leathers, and the smartest of high tech, seating areas and nav station are posh points of interest, with the ship's office helping to keep everything in its place.

The aft space on the bridge has a fabulous secret: an unencumbered deck. The space can be open to the sun, protected by shades, or fitted with moveable furnishings. Alternately, it can be left completely open for sunrise yoga, midnight dancing, or whatever fancy brings.

### The End Result: This is Bliss

The largest superyacht debuting at the 2022 Monaco Yacht Show, Ahpo will likely charm her audience with this extensive list of luxury details. A work of art with much time and thought invested by all involved, this pastoral paradise illustrates the magic that can happen when all elements are in harmony. So, Ahpo, dear grandmother, may all who join in your journey of the seas feel comforted, relaxed, and at peace. ☺

### Specifications

» Length overall:	115,10 m
» Length in waterline:	97,5 m
» Beam overall:	18,21 m
» Draught:	4,30 m
» Gross Tonnage:	5.257 GT
» Displacement: 3.520 t (50% speed – 3.820 t 100% speed)	
» Speed:	18 knots
» Range at 12 knots:	8.500 nm
» Fuel capacity:	approx. 330 t – 400.000 l
» Fresh water capacity:	approx. 50 t – 50.000 l

