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# BOAT

## USA

ENTERTAINMENT



#37: RICK HENDRICK'S  
164FT WHEELS >>

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## LARGEST YACHTS BUILT IN THE UNITED STATES



**TURKEY'S LARGEST EVER:**  
213FT NOURAH OF RIYAD

**REBUILT TO ENTERTAIN:**  
297FT DUBAWI

**YACHT  
BUILDING  
IN THE  
MIDWEST**



## 1 \ CAKEWALK

280ft 10in | Twin screw motor yacht | Steel/aluminum | 2010 | Derecktor, Bridgeport, Connecticut | Tim Heywood Designs/Dalton Designs, Inc. | American owner

Currently under construction at the Derecktor shipyard in Bridgeport, Connecticut is the largest private yacht built in the United States since the 1930s. At 281 feet, *Cakewalk* is the latest yacht for her experienced American owners, who wanted to build this noteworthy vessel on US soil. The owners approached renown designer Tim Heywood for the boat's exterior styling, which is based on flowing lines and sculpted forms that were the eye-catching feature of one of his former projects, *Carinthia VII*. Heywood satisfied the owners' request for situating all of the guest staterooms on the main deck and giving them grand windows—a move that allowed the tender bays to be positioned comfortably on the lower deck. Florida-based Liz Dalton is responsible for *Cakewalk*'s interior, which is planned as a modern version of a classic design, with each room offering a visually interesting element. *Cakewalk* is planned for charter and is on schedule to deliver to her owners in early 2010.

## YARD INFO

### Derecktor Shipyards

Under the skilled leadership of brothers Paul and Bob Derecktor, Derecktor Shipyard builds in aluminum, steel, wood, fiberglass, titanium, and high-tech composites, molding them into the fine custom sailing and motor yachts, high-speed ferries, and innovative workboats. With facilities in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, Mamaroneck, New York, and Bridgeport, Connecticut, Derecktor offers yacht and commercial construction, service, repair and refit. Derecktor Corporate Headquarters  
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## 2 \ DELPHINE

(ex-Dauntless, ex-USS Dauntless, ex-Delphine)  
257ft 9in | Twin screw steam yacht | Steel | 1921 | Great Lakes

Engineering Works, Ecorse, Michigan | Henry J Gielow | Belgian owner

Built for the car manufacturing mogul Horace Dodge, *Delphine* (named after his daughter) was a familiar sight around Detroit and Chicago in the 1920s. She was equipped with an unusual quadruple steam expansion engine designed by her owner, which gave her an impressive top speed of 15 knots. During WWII she served as the flagship of Admiral King, who was Commander-in-Chief of the US Fleet. Laid up in 1962, she was bought by the Seafarers International Union for use as a headquarters ship, but fell into disrepair in the early 1990s. She was acquired by a Singapore company to be converted for use as a mini-cruise liner in Asian waters, but this sale fell through after she had traveled halfway to the Far East. She was subsequently purchased by a Belgian lady, Ineke Bruynhooge, and, following a very thorough restoration and conversion that brought the yacht back to new condition, she is now available for charter. *Delphine* is featured in BI USA #37 Dec 2003.