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CAKEWALK GOES CLASSIC

The installation of the Derecktor's traditional interior is well under way

STORY BY LOUISA BECKETT

This is the fourth in a series of articles leading up to the launch of the custom 281-foot Derecktor motor yacht Cakewalk.

INSIDE A TOWERING shed at Derecktor's Connecticut shipyard, the monumental steel and aluminum skeleton of the 281-foot *Cakewalk* is now complete; the twin V-16 cylinder MTU 4000 Series diesels are mounted in the engine room, miles of cabling are neatly laid throughout the inner spaces, and most of the mechanical and electrical systems are in place.

The artisans are well into the painstaking process of installing the interior joinery, cabinetry and stonework that will grace the decks of this six-deck yacht. "We've designed every piece of furniture, every square foot of millwork, every molding, every detail," says Liz Dalton of Dalton Designs. "It's such a joy to see these things coming to life."

It is fitting that the first yacht of this size to be built in the United States since the 1930s should have a classic rather than a contemporary interior, recalling the former heyday of American yachting.

Cakewalk's owners first met Dalton 20 years ago at the Fort Lauderdale boat

show, and they have worked together on a variety of yacht and residential projects ever since. These include a series of new-build and refit vessels, all called *Cakewalk*—a 72-foot Hatteras, 142-foot and 203-foot Feadships, and a 150-foot Trinity.

Like her predecessor, the award-winning *Cakewalk* delivered by Feadship's Royal van Lent shipyard in 2000, this *Cakewalk* will operate both as a private yacht and a charter vessel. The owners' first impulse was for the interior to have a more casual feel, but as the design evolved, the project's massive scope dictated more formality.

As an example, Dalton refers to *Cakewalk's* recreational salon on the main deck. This space serves to introduce the yacht's overall feel and comprises a spacious library complete with a fireplace and a grand piano.

The overhead treatments will include raised trays and domes creating varied ceiling heights, "just as if you were in a grand residence." In keeping with the owners' specification that *Cakewalk* incorporate as many U.S. materials as possible, the millwork will be predominantly American cherry with other types of woods used as accents. For the owners' apartment, Dalton specified a limed oak millwork, stained a mellow tawny beige, while the focal point of the bridge deck lounge will be its highly textured Pecky cypress ceiling. Cherrywood moldings, recessed panels and chair rails will give the guest staterooms a timeless, sophisticated ambiance.

Another focal point of *Cakewalk's* interior is the grand, sweeping staircase, which will feature cherry railings and wrought ironwork with an integral sun motif. In the stairwell, raised wood panels will soar to the full height of the yacht, with each landing sporting a different theme.

Ultimately, Dalton says *Cakewalk's* interior is very much a team effort involving not only the owners and her veteran team at Dalton Designs, but craftsmen all over the globe. "I feel when it's finished, it will be an amazing achievement," she enthuses. Contact *Derecktor Shipyards* at 203-336-0108 ext. 125. www.derecktor.com

SPECIFICATIONS

BUILDER: Derecktor Shipyards
NAVAL ARCHITECTURE: Azure Naval Architects
EXTERIOR DESIGN: Tim Heywood Designs
INTERIOR DESIGN: Elizabeth Dalton, Dalton Designs
LOA: 281' (85.6 m)
BEAM: 46'11" (14.3 m)
DRAFT: 13'1" (4 m)
EXPECTED SPEEDS: 17 kn (max.)/15 kn (cruise)

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Builder	Length	Yacht Type	Yacht Name/ Yard No.	Delivery Date (month)	Design Team	Engine(s)	Hull/ Super structure Material	Cruise/ Top Speed (knots)
UNITED KINGDOM cont.								
SUNSEEKER YACHTS cont.	26.88m/88'2"	MY	88 Yacht	Mar-10		2x Cat C32 1800		
	26.88m/88'2"	MY	88 Yacht	Apr-10		2x Cat C32 1800	32	
	26.88m/88'2"	MY	88 Yacht	May-10		2x Cat C32 1800	37	
	26.88m/88'2"	MY	88 Yacht	Jun-10		2x Cat C32 1800	28	
	26.88m/88'2"	MY	88 Yacht	Jul-10		2x MTU M94 2000	15	
	26.88m/88'2"	MY	88 Yacht	Aug-10		2x MTU M94 2000	50	
	26.88m/88'2"	MY	88 Yacht	Sep-10		2x Cat C32 1800	33	
	26.88m/88'2"	MY	88 Yacht	Oct-10		2x MTU M94 2000	15.5	
	26.88m/88'2"	MY	88 Yacht	Nov-10		2x Cat C32 1800	15	
	26.88m/88'2"	MY	88 Yacht	Dec-10		2x MTU M94 2000	18	
	26.48m/86'11"	MY	Predator 84	Jan-10		2x MTU 2650		
	26.48m/86'11"	MY	Predator 84	Feb-10		2x MTU 2650		
	26.48m/86'11"	MY	Predator 84	Mar-10		2x MTU 2400		
	26.48m/86'11"	MY	Predator 84	May-10		2x MTU 2650		
	26.48m/86'11"	MY	Predator 84	Jun-10		2x MTU 2400		
	26.48m/86'11"	MY	Predator 84	Aug-10		2x MTU 2650		
	26.48m/86'11"	MY	Predator 84	Sep-10		2x MTU 2650		
	26.48m/86'11"	MY	Predator 84	Oct-10		2x MTU 2650		
	26.48m/86'11"	MY	Predator 84	Dec-10		2x MTU 2650		
	24.44m/80'2"	MY	80 Yacht	Jan-10		2x MAN 1800		
	24.44m/80'2"	MY	80 Yacht	Feb-10		2x MAN 1800		
	24.44m/80'2"	MY	80 Yacht	Mar-10		2x MAN 1800		
	24.44m/80'2"	MY	80 Yacht	Apr-10		2x MAN 1800		
	24.44m/80'2"	MY	80 Yacht	May-10		2x MAN 1800		
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VIKING SPORT CRUISERS*	29m/95'	MY	95 Motor Yacht	Jul-10		MTU	FRP	26/20
	26m/85'	MY	85 Motor Yacht	Jul-10		Cat	FRP	28/21
	26m/85'	MY	V85	Jul-10		MTU	FRP	33/18
UNITED STATES								
AMERICAN CUSTOM YACHTS*	27.4m/90'	SF	ACY90	May-10		MTU	CMW	40/24
	25.2m/82'8"	SF	Bertram 800	Feb-10		MTU	FRP	30/20
BURGER BOAT COMPANY	43.3m/142'	MY	Sea Owl	Nov-09		Cat	AL/AL	13/25
	42.7m/140'	MY	Hull 508	Summer 2010		Cat	AL/AL	13/22.5
CHRISTENSEN SHIPYARDS	49.9m/164'	MY	Liquidity 111/ Hull 036	2010		MTU	FRP	14/23
	48.7m/160'	MY	Hull 037	2011		MTU	FRP	14/18.5
	48.7m/160'	MY	Remember When/Hull 035	Jan-10		MTU	FRP	14/20
CITADEL YACHTS (FORMERLY ALEUTIAN)	31m/102'	MY	102	Jan-10		Cat	ST/AL	12/19
DELTA MARINE	63.4m/208'	MY	200040	2011		Cat	ST/ FRP/ CF	15/15
	54.7m/180'	MY	175038	2010		MTU	AL/ FRP/ CF	15/20.5
	50m/164'	MY	164041	2011		Cat	FRP/CF	13.5/20
	47.6m/156'	MY	156039	2010		MTU	FRP/CF	15/20
DEREKTOR SHIPYARDS	86.5m/281'	MY	Cakewalk	2010		MTU	ST/AL	15/15
	44.2m/145'	MY	Hemisphere	2009		Cat	AL	14/20
ENERGYTECH MARINE GROUP	25.3m/83'	SY	83HDX	Aug-10		Energy Tech Hybrid Electric	FRP	10/13
LAZZARA YACHTS	35.23m/120'	OP	LSX 120/01	Sep-10		3x MAN 1200HP with 3 ZF Pods	FRP/ CF	26/28
	28.04m/92'	OP	LSX 92/02	Feb-10		4 Volvo IPS 2	FRP/CF	32.5/29
	28.04m/92'	OP	LSX 92/03	Aug-10		4 Volvo IPS 2	FRP/CF	32.5/29
MAGNUM MARINE*	24m/80'	MY	80-003	Jun-10		MTU	FRP	47/37