Silent-Yachts Expands

The Austrian builder of solar-powered catamarans is widening its business lines

Austrian yacht brand Silent-Yachts, which builds all-electric catamarans, recently announced the company would restructure to become part of Silent Group, a move designed to bring together distinct divisions under the Silent name.

The group will continue to offer fully electric, solar-powered catamarans from 18m to 37m for zero-emission cruising. In addition, a new sub-division will also build hybrid yachts that use conventional propulsion and renewable solar energy. The first hybrid yacht is a 25m model that will be built in partnership with VisionF Yachts, a Turkish catamaran builder established in 2019.

The extended hardtop flybridge of the Silent VisionF 82 is to be fitted with solar-capable, with a battery bank to power the entire hotel load of the yacht. Two Silent VisionF82s are already in production.

Silent Group says the partnership with VisionF shows their willingness to help other companies reduce dependency on fossil fuels. VisionF is owned by Coşkun Bayraktar, founder of the Viaport Group. Bayraktar is already building the Silent 60, Silent 80 and Silent 100 series in Turkey. VisionF Yachting has a production area of more than 100,000sqm.

Another forthcoming business line for the group will be Silent-Tenders, which will offer a range of all-electric tenders, starting with a four-metre model being formally presented this year. Silent Group will now also offer management services for clients, charter services from a fleet based in Mallorca, Spain, brokerage services, a resorts service offering solar-powered beachfront residences, and an online shop specialising in all-electric towns and gadgets.

Silent-Yachts has expanded rapidly since launching in 2004. In 2021, it sold 21 yachts, with another 17 already in build for this year. The group has production sites in Italy (pictured below), Turkey and Thailand, where the Silent 60 series is built at a 20,800sqm facility in Rayong.
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