

# NEW BOAT BUYER'S GUIDE

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## SILENT 62

**F**ollowing in the footsteps of Silent's 64 and 120, the Italian builder's newly designed SY62 is chock full of innovative features and clever uses of space. The modular construction and semi-custom interiors will interest a range of owners—so long as they're ready to make the jump to electric.

Silent Yachts burst onto the scene in 2009, pushing fully electric propulsion. With hypothetically limitless range from solar panels and lithium batteries, the tradeoff is that owners might need to alter their cruising style for more moderate speeds and power consumption on board. Still, it's hard to argue when they're heading out on holiday and skipping the fuel dock—and the bill.

While this is an intuitive, owner-friendly build, crew will probably be fairly common on these boats and the crew cabin (forward to port) is reasonably outfitted. Access to the foredeck, with a comfortably recessed seating area, is via a forward cabin door or well-protected sidedecks with high, substantial railings, but no overhead grab rails. There is also an option for a forward owner's suite, in which case you lose the front access to the foredeck. For those looking for a bit more from their boat, a Wingit kite can be launched from the foredeck as well. Silent says it can add four to five knots of boat speed, and you don't have to learn to sail to get those benefits.

The flybridge is reached via external access. The space aloft on our test boat was spacious with plenty of different lounging areas, a built-in bar, and incredible 360-degree views. The main seating area is slightly recessed with three steps up to reach the large sunpads aft. From the upper helm, there's almost no visibility of the lower decks and corners of the boat, but that's where a wireless Dockmate joystick comes in.

One thing that sets the SY62 apart is the option to replace the flybridge and upper helm station ("3-Deck Open") with either a "2-Deck" version or a "3-Deck Enclosed" version, the latter of which features an owner's suite. This is a massive, luxurious space with a designated work desk, private deck and the bed facing a large window where you can fall asleep to the starry blush of the Milky Way on the horizon.

Heading below to the salon, you'll find a spacious living area with upscale finishing details. The helm is to starboard and a large dining table is to port. On our model, the galley spanned the entire aft section of the interior and that space was used to pack in all the

provisioning storage that long-range cruising might require; a galley down is also an option.

If you opt for the owner's cabin in one of the hulls, the star of the show is a massive closet area with all of the storage space and full-length mirrors you could ask for. In contrast, three staterooms are an option, if quite compact. Granted, with plenty of space in flybridge, salon, cockpit, and forward seating area, there's no reason to keep the guest list short.

Underway in a choppy sea, the motion was a little bit rocky and worse on the flybridge, but we were making 10 knots in a busy inlet, but the boat felt secure and stable, and the smartly placed handrails and recessed areas paid dividends.

The SY62 is designed for two to three hours of cruising per day and then anchoring to enjoy your destination. That makes for plenty of charging time. However, if you're conservative with power usage, you could theoretically be doing longer-range cruising. 7 knots is ideal with a 2,800-nautical-mile range, but with the throttle down, the boat maxes out at 12 knots.

The 16.8 kWp solar panel array makes use of pretty much every available horizontal surface, and they charge two banks of batteries for redundancy, each comprising 17 800-volt batteries or 34 in total. With so many options, it's likely that no two SY62s will look exactly alike, but they will share the same DNA of a clever design, eco-conscious operation and lux finishing touches that Silent has spent 15 years honing. —Lydia Mullan

**LOA:** 61'11"  
**Beam:** 29'6"  
**Draft:** 4'1"  
**Disp:** 102,845 lb.  
**Fuel:** 528 gal.  
**Water:** 581 gal.  
**Power:** 2/50 kW or  
2/40 kW electric

