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55m Raja² Launched by The Italian Sea Group

The Italian Sea Group celebrated the launch of M/Y Raja², a stunning 55-meter aluminum Admiral superyacht from the acclaimed S-Force line. The launch ceremony was held at the group's headquarters in Marina di Carrara, attended by the vessel's owner, local authorities, and the leadership team responsible for making this groundbreaking project a reality.



Boasting a beam of 8.6 meters and a gross tonnage of 499 GT, *Raja²* scheduled for delivery in the spring of this year, the yacht promises to deliver an unrivaled maritime experience.

Gianmaria Costantino, Chief Commercial Officer of The Italian Sea Group, highlighted the yacht's unique attributes: "M/Y *Raja²* embodies a perfect blend of boldness and sophistication, merging exquisite materials and harmonious contrasts to create a truly exclusive experience. Each element is carefully crafted to ensure not only beauty but also optimal comfort and functionality."

Designed entirely by The Italian Sea Group's in-house Style Center and managed by IYC and Med Waves Charters, *Raja²* is poised to become a sought-after addition to the global fleet of luxury charters.

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Michel Chryssicopoulos, Global Managing Partner at IYC, expressed his enthusiasm: "It is incredibly exciting to witness this remarkable project come to fruition. The combination of *Raja*²'s extraordinary interiors and striking exterior lines makes her a true head-turner. We wish her new owners many memorable experiences aboard this magnificent vessel."

Xenia Tspidou, Head of Charter Management Greece at IYC, added: "We are thrilled to include *Raja*² in our Charter Management Fleet based in Athens. Her unique qualities will undoubtedly make her a superstar in the charter market, providing unforgettable moments for both owners and charter guests."

Vasilis Petropoulos, broker at Med Waves Charters & Sales, praised the team's efforts: "I extend my heartfelt gratitude to The Italian Sea Group for their outstanding work, unwavering professionalism, meticulous attention to detail, and passionate dedication in bringing M/Y *Raja*² to life."

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Raja² features fluid and powerful exterior lines, characterized by a sleek, dynamic profile that marries sophistication with a sporty edge. Expansive glass surfaces along the superstructure allow abundant natural light, fostering a seamless transition between indoor and outdoor living spaces. The sharp, modern bow exudes strength and presence, while the innovative open stern provides ample relaxation areas with easy water access.

The sundeck and upper decks flow smoothly within the yacht's silhouette, preserving clean, unbroken lines that accentuate its contemporary appeal. Generous outdoor spaces, including two aft decks with dining and lounging areas, invite relaxation and socializing. The sundeck is equipped with a hot tub and numerous sunbathing spots, while the upper deck houses a spacious circular lounge that doubles as a touch-and-go helipad for convenient access. An expansive garage accommodates an 8-meter tender and various water toys, completing the ultimate yachting experience.

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The interior of *Raja²* strikes a balance between maximalism and understated elegance, creating a distinctive ambiance that fuses grandeur with refinement. Bold design choices give each space its own unique identity, while maintaining a consistent theme of unexpected twists and turns, infusing the yacht with energy and vitality.

Luxurious marble surfaces adorned with intricate three-dimensional detailing, mouldings, and decorative frames combine modernity with classical touches, contributing to the dualistic nature of the project. Contrasts between Black Marquina and Calacatta Gold marble, as well as White Carrara and rich brown Port Saint Laurent, further enhance this interplay. Glossy Canaletto walnut and sandblasted or bleached Dark Chocolate oak complement the wood finishes, while soft, natural-toned leathers and pops of vibrant colors like burnt orange and deep wine red round out the palette.

Mirrored surfaces, strategically positioned per the owner's request, reflect light and water, expanding the sense of space and connecting the interior with the surrounding sea.

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Beyond its aesthetic prowess, *Raja*² incorporates state-of-the-art technology and high-performance capabilities. Propelled by twin CAT C32 Acert engines, she achieves a top speed of 18 knots and a cruising speed of 16.5 knots, with a range of 3,500 nautical miles at 10 knots. Six guest cabins accommodate up to 12 passengers, while six crew cabins house up to 11 crew members.

The Italian Sea Group is a global operator in the luxury yachting industry, listed on Euronext Milan (“EXM”) and active in the construction and refit of motor yachts and sailing yachts up to 140 meters. The Company, led by Italian entrepreneur Giovanni Costantino, operates on the market with the brands Admiral, renowned for elegant and prestigious yachts, Tecnomar, Perini Navi, and Picchiotti; the Company has a business unit, NCA Refit, that manages the maintenance and refit services for yachts and mega yachts with a length over 60 meters.

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