

A group of four people, two women and two men, are walking along a sandy beach. They are dressed in swimwear: a woman in a yellow bikini, a man in blue shorts, a woman in a black bikini, and a man in light blue shorts. To their right, a white speedboat is partially visible, docked at the water's edge. The background features palm trees and a clear blue sky. The overall scene is bright and sunny, suggesting a tropical or coastal location.

 **BAYLINER™**

# Guide

to boat-buying

**2025**





# Everything you ever wanted to know about buying a boat

**(BUT WERE AFRAID TO ASK)**

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Before you boat



# Owning a boat is a dream for many, but it can be a reality for more.

At Bayliner, we're determined to help a newly initiated generation of boaters discover their life's passion on the water.

Even if you're an experienced boater, we can help simplify the buying experience so you can realize your dreams and unlock the full potential of ownership from day one.

In this guide, you'll get plain and simple advice on how to purchase a boat that fits your needs as well as your wants.

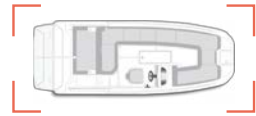
You can have both, and we're here to help put it all within reach.

**NOW, LET'S BEGIN—**

# 1 Before you boat

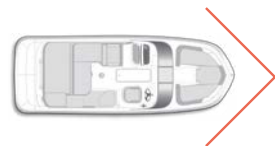
## Getting started?

These terms are most helpful if you're boat shopping for the first time ever.



### Deck Boat

Generally, a deck boat has a wide bow for more deck space and maximum seating.



### Bowrider

Sometimes called a runabout, bowriders are generally "pointy" at the front and handle choppy water more smoothly than deck boats.



### Outboard

Outboards are preferred for saltwater because they're easier to service; the design lets vital engine components sit out of the water.

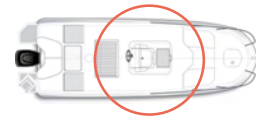


### Sterndrive

Sterndrives are recommended for lake boating and watersports, or if you plan to use the boat to raft up with others in coves.

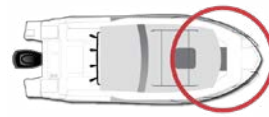
## Getting focused?

If you're starting to level up your on-water interests, our lineup can open doors to new pursuits.



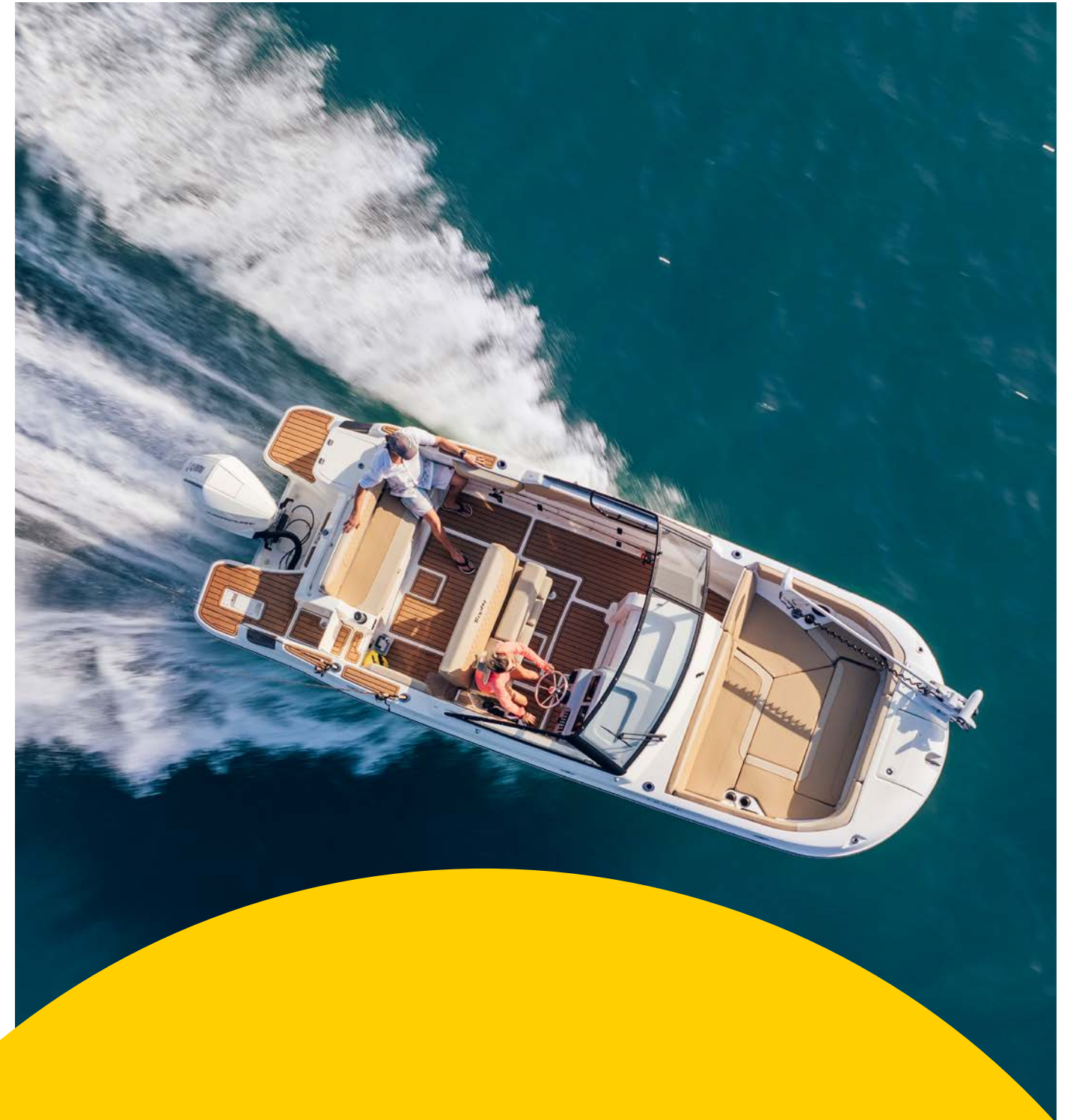
### Center or Side Console

The console refers to where your controls are placed; not all center or side console boats are used for fishing, but we think they're the best boats for it in our lineup.



### Overnight

Whether you're planning for rugged, long-haul fishing trips or looking for sleepable cabins with extra comfort touches, our overnights put more capabilities within reach.



Look for these Bayliner-original design features.

These innovations give you the best possible onboard experience.

**BeamForward™**  
Creates more seating capacity in the bow.

**AftAdvantage™**  
Maximizes usable space in the stern.

## Basic boat-speak

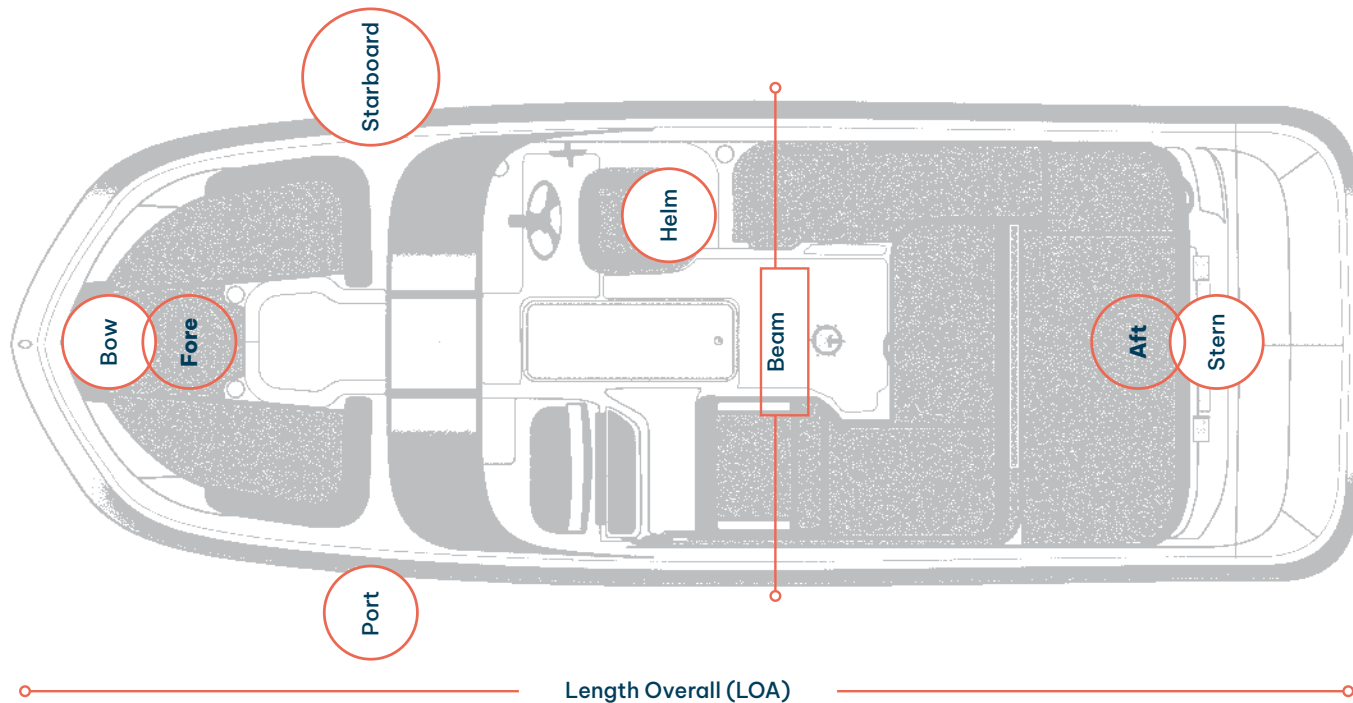
You can skip this if you're familiar, but this is a good primer for anyone new to boating.

Learning these terms is helpful once you start your purchasing journey, but it's OK if speaking this way doesn't come naturally. You'll pick up on the most-used terms and phrases as you discover your interests and community.

**PSST**

We'll elaborate on the different boat styles later in this guide.

- Hull** The boat's outer body and running surface
- Deck** The horizontal surface of the boat on which the crew or passengers can sit or stand
- Helm** Where the captain steers the boat
- Bow** The front of the boat
- Stern** The back of the boat
- Fore** At or toward the bow
- Aft** At or toward the stern
- Port** Your left when you're in the boat, facing forward
- Starboard** Your right when you're in the boat, facing forward
- Beam** The measure of the span of the widest part of the boat from port to starboard
- LOA** Length Overall (LOA) is the measure of the span of the longest part of the boat from bow to stern



## Basic activities

These are some of the most common boating activities you'll hear discussed in this guide and beyond. You might already know which ones you're into, or you might not. Figuring it out is part of the journey!

### CRUISING

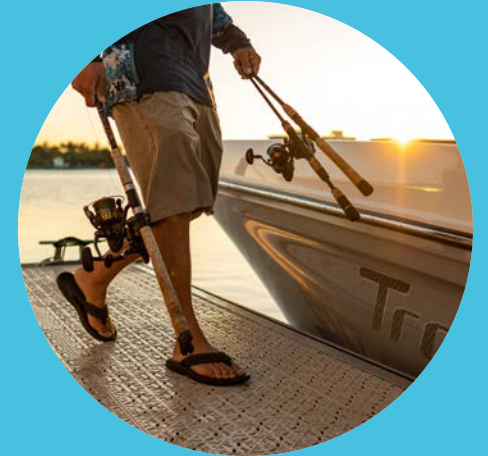
Cruising is perhaps the most popular and easy-to-pursue boating activity. You'll want a boat with good fuel capacity and cushy interior upholstery to support leisurely outings where you can either drop anchor for a swim or go full throttle.

### FISHING + OVERNIGHTING

Fishing and overnighting both require patience and enthusiasm. If you're looking to take more focused boat trips that might include angling, look for a boat with either a center/side-console or closed-cockpit layout and rugged, low-maintenance interiors that let you "hose and go" at a moment's notice.

### WATERSPORTS

The most common watersports you will see in any given outing are skiing and tubing. For those activities, you'll want a boat with extra horsepower for towing and storage for gear.



# 2

Before you buy



## How do you know if a boat is *the* boat for you?

Before you take the helm, it's important to know what kind of boater you'll be.

Visualizing your expectations and requirements before contacting a dealer can save you time and make you happier in the long run.

## First, ask yourself

- 1) **How would you describe your current life stage?**
  - a. Just starting out, not wasting any time
  - b. Establishing myself and family, loving every minute
  - c. Proud of how far I've come, ready to live the dream
- 2) **How would you hope to afford your boat purchase?**
  - a. I need flexible financing and low monthly payments
  - b. I've budgeted for an aggressive payment schedule
  - c. I'm ready to buy now with cash or credit
- 3) **What are your family's comfort and storage needs?**
  - a. Room for a few people and some essential rec gear
  - b. Space to comfortably stow boards, skis, tubes or rods and entertain a few friends
  - c. Space for relaxation with storage for all of the above
- 4) **What type of excursions are you looking to have?**
  - a. Spontaneous afternoons on the water, just because
  - b. Full-day outings with friends taking turns driving or riding behind the boat
  - c. Long escapes to get away from it all or to focus on fishing
- 5) **What's your vehicle situation?**
  - a. Minivan or crossover/wagon
  - b. Midsize or large SUV
  - c. Truck

### Mostly As:

**YOU'RE A FAST TRACKER**

You believe there's no time like the present to go after adventure. Bayliner makes a range of models that fit your lifestyle (and budget) where you are today, so you can get in on the fun now.

**CONSIDER**  
VR4 Bowrider  
M17 Deck Boat  
T18 Center Console

### Mostly Bs:

**YOU'RE A TIME KEEPER**

You have a work-hard-play-hard mindset; earning your time away from the grind is almost as rewarding as the adventure itself. When it's time to clock out, you'll be glad to discover that we have some of the most versatile models on the market.

**CONSIDER**  
D20 Deck Boat  
V20i Bowrider  
T22SC Side Console

### Mostly Cs:

**YOU'RE A DREAM MAKER**

You've worked for years to live your on-the-water fantasies, and we applaud you! Now that you're ready to focus on you, we have options that let you feel the wind in your hair or tackle the elements.

**CONSIDER**  
T25 Pilothouse  
T23 Explorer  
T29 Explorer

## 2 Before you buy

# Now, put that in perspective

Consider how these two Bayliner models might make you adjust your lens:



15'

### M15

LENGTH	15'2"
MAX PEOPLE CAPACITY	5
MAX HORSEPOWER	60 HP

- Better fuel economy
- Smaller tank = quicker fuel-ups
- Stores easily at home
- Trailerable with sport wagon or SUV
- Fishing options available
- Great for first-time boater
- Simplified features



29'

### T29 EX

LENGTH	29'3"
MAX PEOPLE CAPACITY	YACHT CERTIFIED
MAX HORSEPOWER	450 HP

- Features and fuel capacity for longer outings
- More time, effort to operate and maintain
- Can store at marina or slip
- Not trailerable by conventional automobiles
- Base model fully featured for angling and overnighting
- Extra people capacity
- Specialized layout

\*Standard exclusions and limitations apply. See website and Express Limited Warranty for details.

# Then, ask your dealer

### 1) What comes with my boat?

Most Bayliner models come as a whole package comprising the boat, trailer and engine. Confirm what comes with your model of interest.

### 2) Is my boat budget in line with my needs? How much should I prepare to spend on gear and maintenance, and what are my financing options?

### 3) What are the different propulsion options available?

Bayliner partners with Mercury® Marine to provide our owners with award-winning reliability and support around the world.

### 4) How should I store my boat and what will I need for maintenance?

### 5) Is there a warranty plan available?

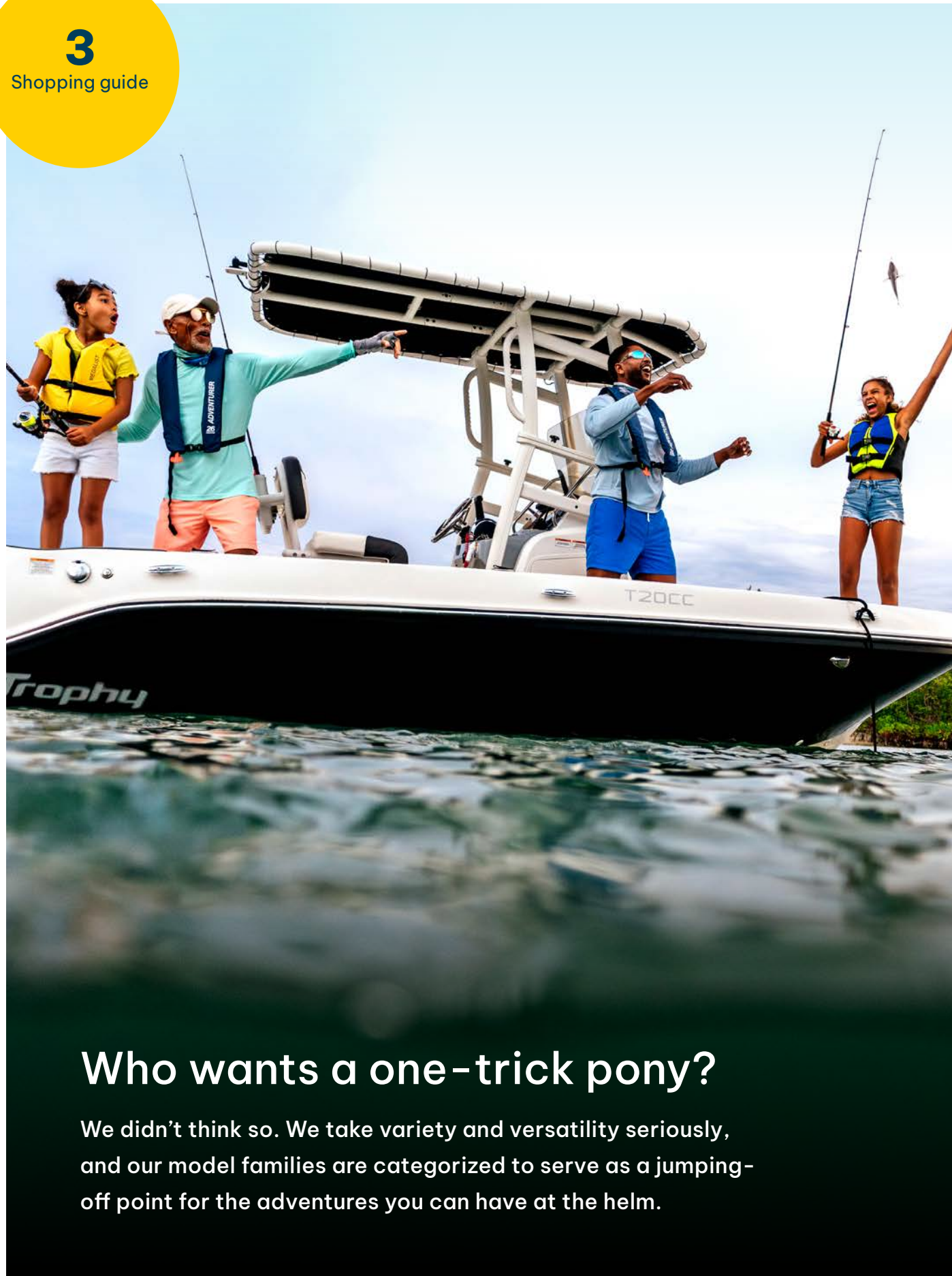
All Bayliner models come standard with our BSure Lifetime Warranty.\*

Level-setting your preferences and plans is just the beginning. Once you've figured it all out, your dealer is an expert in all things boat-related for your area.

If you're unsure of how to contact your nearest dealer, our dealer locator is a great place to start.

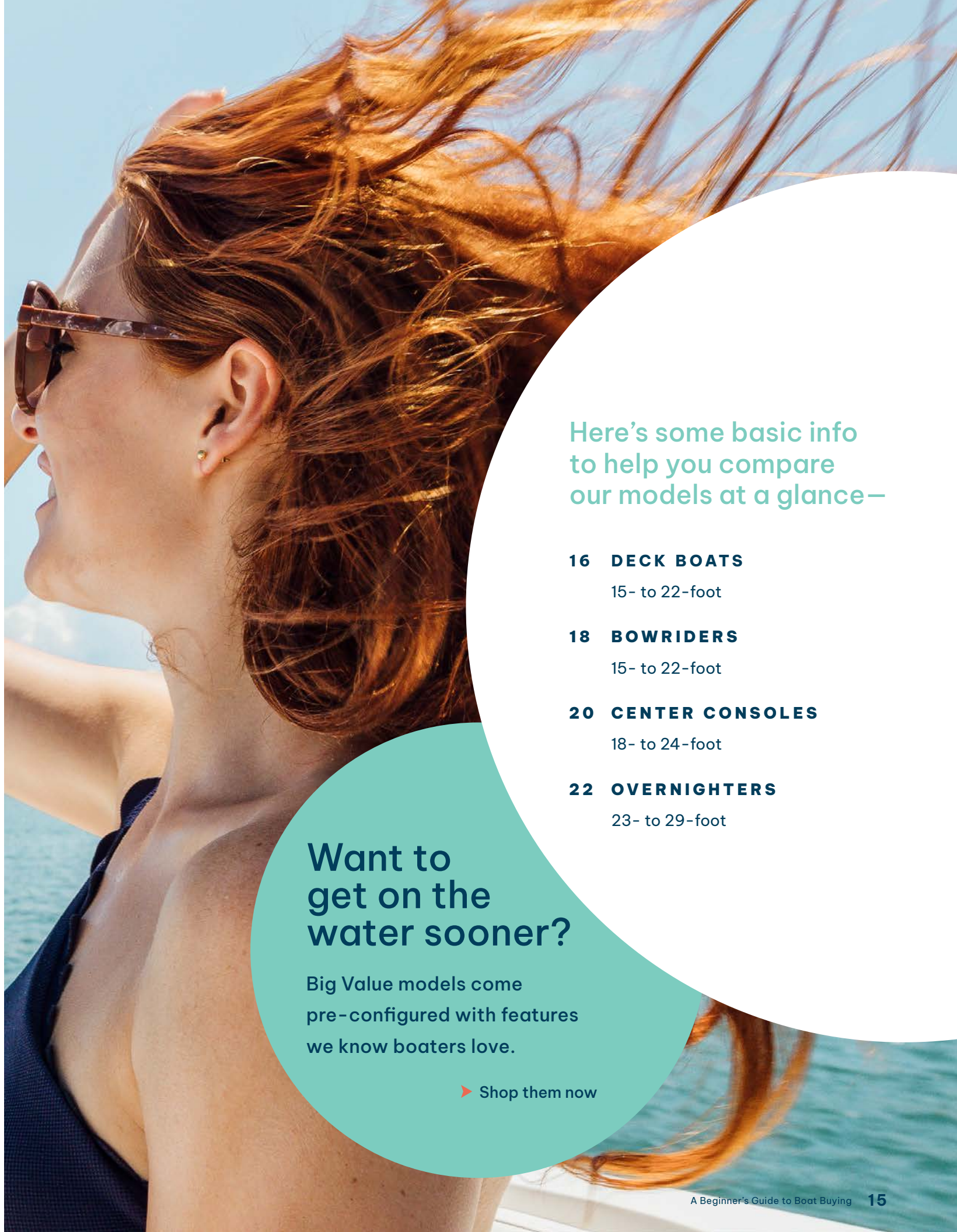
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## Who wants a one-trick pony?

We didn't think so. We take variety and versatility seriously, and our model families are categorized to serve as a jumping-off point for the adventures you can have at the helm.



Here's some basic info to help you compare our models at a glance—

- 16 DECK BOATS**  
15- to 22-foot
- 18 BOWRIDERS**  
15- to 22-foot
- 20 CENTER CONSOLES**  
18- to 24-foot
- 22 OVERNIGHTERS**  
23- to 29-foot

## Want to get on the water sooner?

Big Value models come pre-configured with features we know boaters love.

▶ Shop them now



# Deck Boats

## ROOMY AND VERSATILE FOR FAMILY FUN

This style of boat is great if you're new to boating or planning to boat with family or friends.

Deck boats are famously easy to handle, and many of our models deliver excellent capacity and comfort for entertaining a crew.



Go deep into what makes our deck boats unique [▶ Read more...](#)

## D SERIES

Luxurious upholstery, roomier layouts, multiple cockpit configurations



**D20** OUTBOARD

LENGTH	19'6"
MAX PEOPLE CAPACITY	10
MAX HORSEPOWER	150 HP



**D22** OUTBOARD

LENGTH	21'6"
MAX PEOPLE CAPACITY	12
MAX HORSEPOWER	200 HP



**D201** STERNDRIVE

LENGTH	19'6"
MAX PEOPLE CAPACITY	9
MAX HORSEPOWER	250 HP



**D221** STERNDRIVE

LENGTH	21'6"
MAX PEOPLE CAPACITY	11
MAX HORSEPOWER	250 HP

## M SERIES

Lightweight, compact



**M15**

LENGTH	15'2"
MAX PEOPLE CAPACITY	5
MAX HORSEPOWER	60 HP



**M17**

LENGTH	17'0"
MAX PEOPLE CAPACITY	7
MAX HORSEPOWER	90 HP



**M19**

LENGTH	19'0"
MAX PEOPLE CAPACITY	9
MAX HORSEPOWER	115 HP

\*Previous model year shown

# Bowriders

## A NEED FOR SPEED MEETS THE CALL OF THE WATER

Bowriders have a distinct “rise” when underway that creates a sensation of flying over the water. This experience makes them a hit with kids and adults alike, so be ready to take turns riding up front.



The ins-n-outs of the recreational bowrider ▶ Read more...

## VR SERIES

Outboards with classic V hull, best for saltwater use



### VR4 OUTBOARD

LENGTH	18'9"
MAX PEOPLE CAPACITY	7
MAX HORSEPOWER	150 HP



### VR5 OUTBOARD

LENGTH	20'7"
MAX PEOPLE CAPACITY	9
MAX HORSEPOWER	175 HP



### VR6 OUTBOARD

LENGTH	22'7"
MAX PEOPLE CAPACITY	10
MAX HORSEPOWER	200 HP

Sterndrives with classic V hull, ideal for water sports



### VR4 STERNDRIVE

LENGTH	18'9"
MAX PEOPLE CAPACITY	7
MAX HORSEPOWER	200 HP



### VR5 STERNDRIVE\*

LENGTH	20'7"
MAX PEOPLE CAPACITY	8
MAX HORSEPOWER	250 HP



### VR6 STERNDRIVE\*

LENGTH	22'7"
MAX PEOPLE CAPACITY	10
MAX HORSEPOWER	250 HP

## V SERIES

Classic bowriders with next-gen design outboard and sterndrive



### V20 OUTBOARD

LENGTH	20'4"
MAX PEOPLE CAPACITY	10
MAX HORSEPOWER	225 HP



### V20I STERNDRIVE

LENGTH	20'4"
MAX PEOPLE CAPACITY	9
MAX HORSEPOWER	250 HP

# Center/Side Console

## FULLY FEATURED FOR ANGLING ADVENTURES

Center console boats offer tons of unobstructed space for anglers to walk through from bow to stern when casting out or reeling in a catch, making this configuration ideal for family fishing boats.



## TROPHY SERIES

Deep-V Hull, saltwater/coastal capability, fold-down jump seats



### T20 CC

LENGTH	20'6"
MAX PEOPLE CAPACITY	8
MAX HORSEPOWER	175 HP



### T22 CC

LENGTH	22'7"
MAX PEOPLE CAPACITY	10
MAX HORSEPOWER	300 HP



### T24 CC

LENGTH	24'7"
MAX PEOPLE CAPACITY	12
MAX HORSEPOWER	300 HP

Deep-V Hull, saltwater/coastal capability, single bench seat



### T22 SC

LENGTH	22'7"
MAX PEOPLE CAPACITY	10
MAX HORSEPOWER	250 HP

# Overnighters

## FOR MAKING ON-WATER ADVENTURES A WAY OF LIFE

When you're ready to widen your world to new pursuits—whether that's going after a more challenging catch or simply wanting to feel more at home on board—our Trophy Series overnighters prove both capable and comfortable.



## TROPHY SERIES EX/PH

Enclosed cabins, sleeping berths, advanced fish-focused features



### T23 EX

LENGTH	22'9"
MAX PEOPLE CAPACITY	9
MAX HORSEPOWER	225 HP



### T25 EX

LENGTH	24'3"
MAX PEOPLE CAPACITY	11
MAX HORSEPOWER	300 HP



### T29 EX

LENGTH	29'3"
MAX PEOPLE CAPACITY	YACHT CERTIFIED
MAX HORSEPOWER	450 HP



### T23 PH

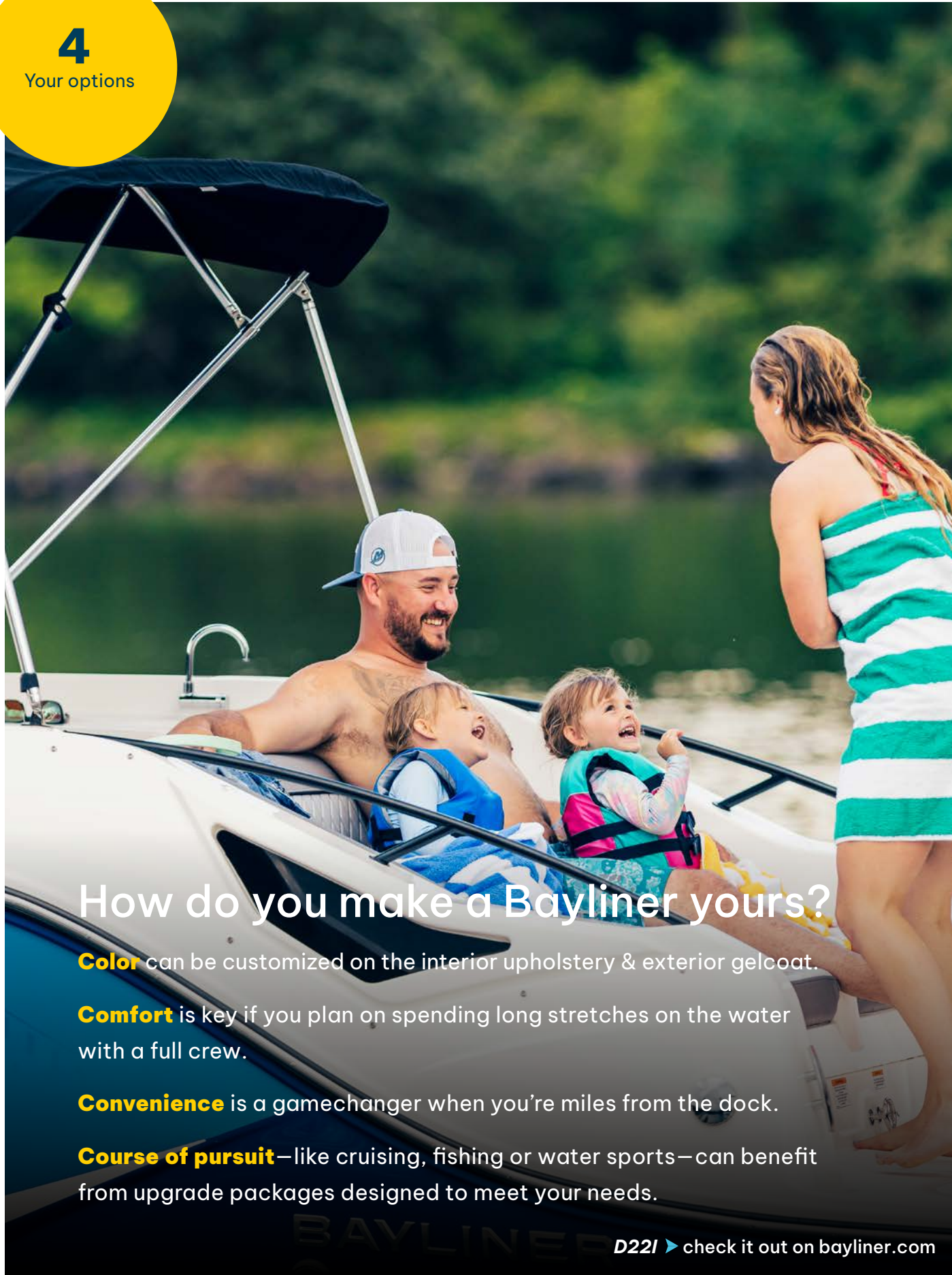
LENGTH	21'9"
MAX PEOPLE CAPACITY	9
MAX HORSEPOWER	225 HP



### T25 PH

LENGTH	23'5"
MAX PEOPLE CAPACITY	10
MAX HORSEPOWER	350 HP

**4**  
Your options



## How do you make a Bayliner yours?

- Color** can be customized on the interior upholstery & exterior gelcoat.
- Comfort** is key if you plan on spending long stretches on the water with a full crew.
- Convenience** is a gamechanger when you're miles from the dock.
- Course of pursuit**—like cruising, fishing or water sports—can benefit from upgrade packages designed to meet your needs.

D221 ▶ check it out on bayliner.com







## color

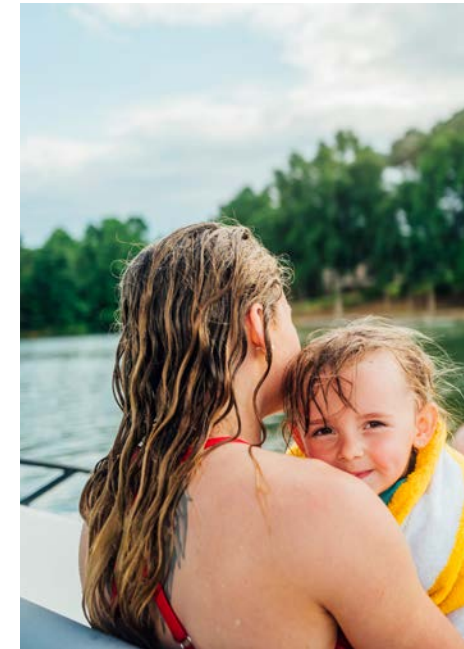
Find all the classics—black, gray, white, and navy—plus signature hues like Reef Green, Impulse Blue and Rally Red available on select models.



## 4 Your options



D22 ▶ check it out on bayliner.com



## comfort

Details like cushion inserts, premium finishes and no-slip flooring make your time on board feel like a spa getaway.






4 Your options



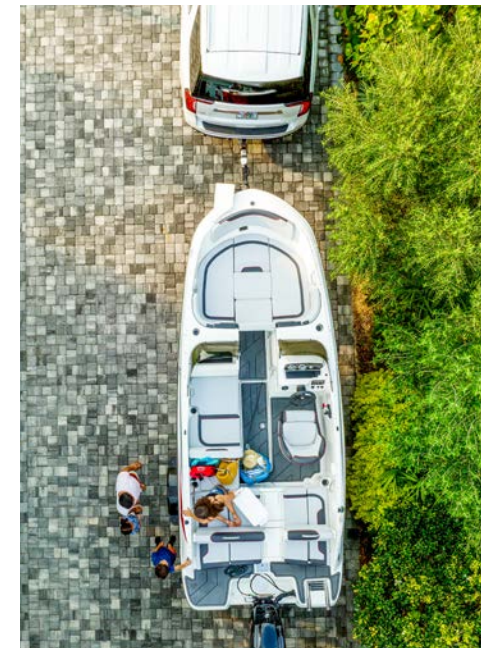
Trophy T225C ▶ check it out on bayliner.com



## convenience

Options like stereo, glass dash and tower upgrades make your time at the helm more seamless and intuitive.




4 Your options



VR6 OB ▶ check it out on bayliner.com





## course of pursuit

Equipment like board racks, trolling motors, ski pylons and entertainment options help you boat any way you want to.



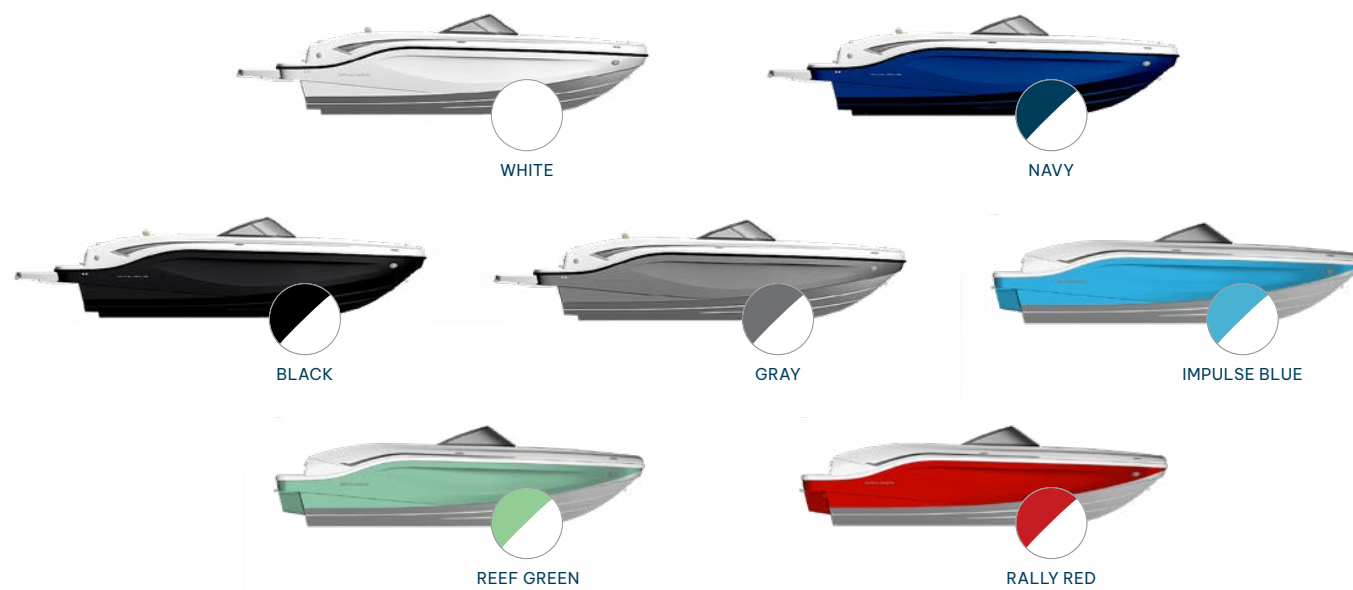


# We've only just begun.

As you can imagine, there so many ways to customize your Bayliner. A dealer will help you decide what works best for you, but here are some key examples of how our models can be made to fit your needs.

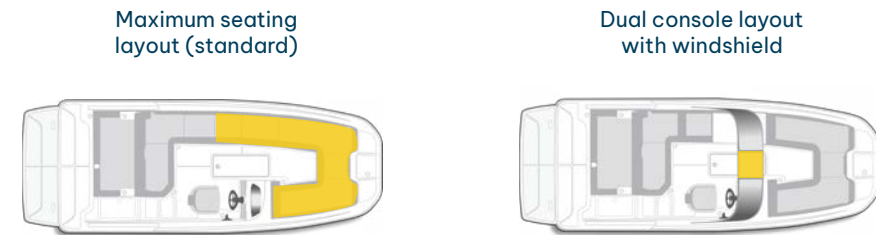
## Color Combinations

Go solid or mix it up! Your get to choose when you build your boat.



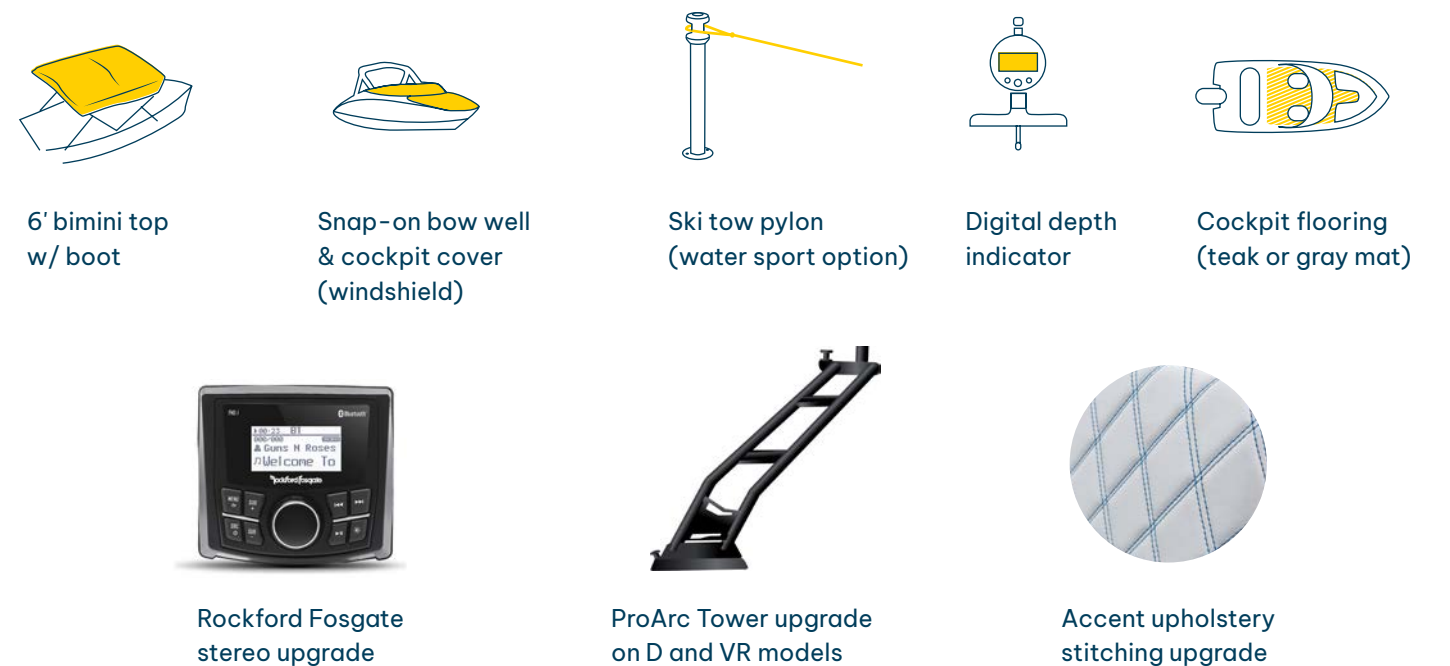
## Deck Layouts

Certain models support flexible floorplan and seating options.



## Options & Upgrades

Choose add-ons that make your outings more comfortable, more exciting, or simply make a statement.



**5**  
Why Bayliner?



**WONDERING WHAT'S NEXT?**

We will put you in touch with your local dealer to bring the dream to life.

You can share your experiences with a community of boaters around the world.

And when you're in the moment, living the dream, we hope you'll pass your passions on to the next generation.

We'll be here when you do.

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