



Dimensions

LOA	12.99m	42ft 7in
LWL	11.79m	38ft 8in
Beam	4.34m	14ft 3in
Draught	1.65m	5ft 5in

Wauquiez Pilot Saloon 42

Wauquiez found a popular niche market with the Pilot Saloon range, which it first developed in 1991. This PS42, the first all-new model the Lille-based company has produced in the seven years under its current ownership, looks very impressive. It is both a proper pilot saloon and a quality-built distance cruiser. The modern hull shape is a prime example of Berret Racoupeau's talent for concealing generous volume within alluring lines.

Pilot Saloon models in the past have tended to have large coachroofs that dominate the deck line, but from the renders of the PS42, the coachroof windows appear to blend in nicely. It also has powerful, wide stern sections, which include a soft chine and double rudders.

The appeal of the PS42 will surely, though, come from her interior. "A unique feature will be the use of electronically dimmable glass windows in the coachroof to improve visibility and thermal comfort," says Wauquiez's director of sales and marketing, Geert Kuypers. This technology has been used before



The interior has electronically dimmable glass windows in the coachroof

in motoryachts and superyachts and is included as standard for this model.

The PS42 is offered with two or three cabins and an interior finish in clear oak or teak. The two-cabin version has two stateroom-like cabins, each with their own heads and separate shower.

Wauquiez sees a 42-footer as appealing to sailors from northern Europe in particular, as it is capable of long-distance cruising but still easy to handle and manoeuvre.

Price ex VAT €380,000.
www.pilot-saloon42.com

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Bente 39

The eagerly awaited follow-up to the innovative and affordable Bente 24.

Also showing, but launched in autumn 2017:

- Amel 50
- CNB 66 (see review page 74)
- Solaris 68
- Beneteau Oceanis 51.1
- Grand Soleil 34 Performance

Hallberg-Rassy HR340

The HR340 follows in the footsteps of the impressive HR440, a yacht that marked a departure for Hallberg-Rassy when it launched a year ago (our full test is in the June 2017 issue). Both have contemporary designs featuring maximum beam carried aft, twin rudders, a straight stem with integrated bowsprit and a clean deck design.

The HR340 is also the first time the builder has offered twin wheels (although a tiller comes as standard). The accommodation includes a double cabin at each end and 2m long sofa berths.

Price ex VAT SEK 1,794,200 (£161,383)
www.hallberg-rassy.com

