

[TRAVEL & RECREATION] YACHTS



A LITTLE SOMETHING EXTRA

WHILE CHARTERING A PRIVATE YACHT IS ALWAYS A CAUSE TO CELEBRATE, THIS TRIO OF LUXURY VESSELS BOASTS OVER-THE-TOP AMENITIES SUCH AS A WATERSLIDE, A GPS-CONTROLLED DRONE AND AN EXPEDITION-QUALITY SUBMARINE. BON VOYAGE!

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From Above

At nearly 164 feet of tridecked luxury, the Victoria Del Mar, a 2006 Delta Marine build, certainly stands bow-to-bow with other top charter yachts. With an extra-wide beam of nearly 34 feet and over 7,500 square feet of living space, Victoria Del Mar is a real eye-catcher at the dock with all the expected features: Elegant accommodations for 12 guests (11 crew), check; deck Jacuzzi and gym equipment, check; an elevator/lift between decks, check; a full complement of tenders and water toys, check. But this vessel has something the others don't: a cameraequipped, GPS-controlled DJI Phantom 2 Vision drone. The drone is operated by the crew throughout your voyage to capture aerial footage of your party, your festivities and all the ports of call visited. That footage is then edited into a stunning video chronicle and presented to you as a unique memento of your trip. Summer rates from \$295,000, International Yacht Collection, 305.794.1167, iyc.com

SKY VIEW
Victoria Del Mar's amenities include a camera-equipped drone to capture

Water World

While you'd be hard-pressed to not have plenty of fun aboard the 197-foot Cloud 9, this yacht's special top-deck Aquaglide Revolution inflatable waterslide will bring out the giggling little kid in anybody. This 2009 CMN Yachts build features accommodations for 12 guests in seven cabins (14 crew), including a gorgeous master suite designed by award-winning Andrew Winch (who is responsible for the entire exterior and interior design). A stunning central spiral staircase winds its way between decks centered around a spectacular glass sculpture, and amenities like a gym, Jacuzzi and state-of-the art cinema theater provide additional opportunities to relax and enjoy. But don't pass up a chance to pinch your nose and fly down the waterslide from the top deck at least once! Summer rates from \$388,567, Burgess Yachts Miami, 305.672.0150, burgessyachts.com

LUXURY EXPEDITION



Polar Express

Debuting at the Monaco Yacht Show in September, the one-of-a-kind, expedition-grade **Legend** (originally built as a Class 1 ice breaker) is receiving final refitting details at the ICON shipyard in the Netherlands as you read this and is scheduled for delivery this fall. Customdesigned to chase the polar summers, it will be cruising South America and Antarctica on maiden charters this winter. With ample room for 26 guests (19 crew), Legend looks like a sturdy exploration vessel, but charter guests will also explore luxury amenities like a dedicated Balinese spa, a helipad, a swim platform and swimming pool, a movie theater and a jampacked fleet of every imaginable water toy (as well as snow scooters for land-based fun!). But above all, the opportunity to ply the polar waters submerged in its custom three-person submarine (garage-stored in the forward deck) really provides the stuff of which yachting dreams are made. Prepare to dive! Winter rates from \$499,000 a week, CNI Palm Beach, 561.655.2121, camperandnicholsons.com

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