

Looking outside the square!



Spirited Designs have developed a very unique and cost effective way of getting yourself into a generous sized boat.

The Spirited 230 'Power' is definitely something special. If you review the market, you will be hard-pressed to find anything like this. There are a few standout points to this concept:

- This boat is supplied as a computer-cut kit which comes with detailed CAD-drawn plans specifically drawn to suit a DIY builder.
- To add a 'high-tech' flavour to the kit, it comprises of light-weight end-grain balsa pre-laminated panels utilising only high quality epoxy resin systems.
- Cruising style design: This means that there is a lot of accommodation included compared to most boats on the market of this type and size.

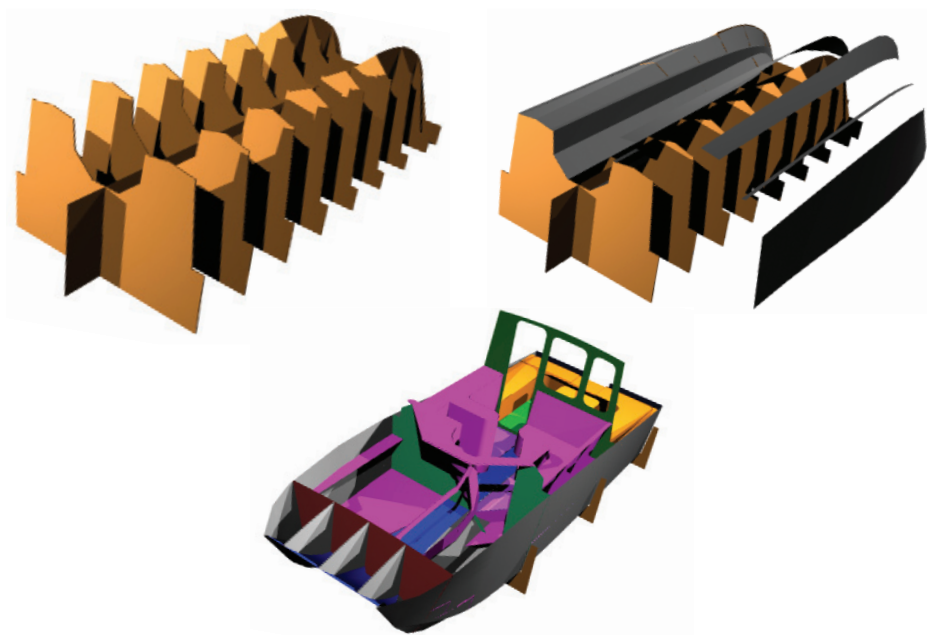
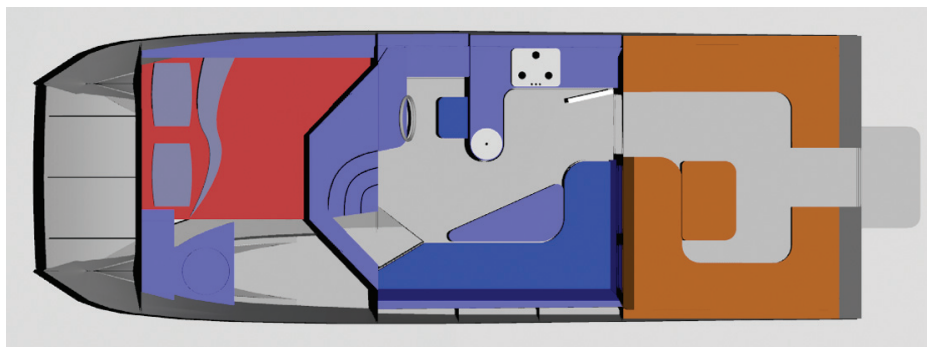
- Light weight disposition: Because of the light weight structural materials it is estimated that the total finished weight of the Spirited 230 'Power' could be almost half the weight of most production boats of this size. This is a huge advantage for towing, or handling when launching and retrieving.

With these considerable design advantages in mind, there is quite a bit of flexibility available for this boat's intended use. For example if the 'cruising' aspect is of more interest, the generous accommodation area will suit but if more outside deck area is required there is a 'fishing' version available, on request. The fishing version is simply a model with a shortened cabin allowing for more outside cockpit space.

The 'cruising' version (as pictured) is a 'pocket cruiser' that really delivers in terms

of appointments. The forward cabin which is below decks, up in the bows, offers a queen-sized double bunk with a fully functional marine toilet hidden neatly under a seat adjacent to the bunk.

In the wheelhouse (cabin) the steering station is located up the front on the starboard side just aft of the windscreen. This is a comfortable area with a helm seat and console for practical usability. The rest of the wheelhouse is really the main open living area which includes an 'L-shaped galley conveniently behind the helm area, opposite this on the port side is the dinette seating area. A unique feature in this part of the boat is up the front beside the helm area, incorporating an opening panel in the centre of the windscreen accessed via a set of stylish built-in steps leading up to the foredeck. Apart from this feature opening up the wheelhouse in



terms of ventilation and the feeling of space, this negates the need to access the foredeck via each side of the cabin – this can be dangerous considering the tiny ledge for footing. With small children on

board a better eye can be kept on them.

The kit aspect of this concept is quite unique in this type and size of boat. Spirited Designs are not new to the kit scene with an excellent reputation in the

industry for comprehensive kit packages. Their most popular model is the sailing catamaran, the Spirited 380. They have found that DIY builders gain so much satisfaction from building their own boat and with Spirited Designs' 100% technical support and high level kits, more and more people are prepared to give it a go. Spirited Designs can also help with the supply of most material/equipment to the completion stage of build.

Craig Schionning, the designer comments: "This is the ideal 'starter' project for the DIY enthusiast. I can see interest from a family point of view, where either the father and son take this project on or the whole family get involved. A great bonding experience for the whole family. I think because this model would suit the whole family's intended use, every family member would have some incentive for being involved and getting the boat on the water".

If building your own boat all seems too much don't worry, Spirited Designs reports that most DIY'ers have next to no experience of boat building and most are doing an outstanding job. To help with the introduction to boat building, Spirited Designs regularly hold 'Boatbuilding Workshops' for anyone contemplating taking on a Spirited 'build-yourself' project.

It's not hard to see that once you have one of these boats on the water that this coastline is instantly more accessible. The convenience of trailing this compact and versatile vessel to almost anywhere up and



MDF Build frame assembled.



Hull panels being fastened into position.

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Hull structurally built. (above and below)



down the coast is an enviable advantage. The trailable aspect may not be that unique but the versatility of what you can do with the Spirited 230 'Power' when you get there is.

For more information about the Spirited 230 'Power' or other Spirited Designs available please go to www.spiriteddesigns.com.au or contact their office Ph (02) 4982 2788.

SPECIFICATIONS

LOA	7m / 23ft
BOA	2.5m / 21ft 4"
Draft	600mm / 1ft 9"
Displacement	1200kgs / 2645 pounds
Bridgedeck Clearance	430mm / 1 ft 4"
Payload	500kgs / 1100 pounds
Cruise Speed	16-18 knots (small motors) 20-25 knots (large motors)
Top Speed	20-22 knots (small motors) 25-30 knots (large motors)
Headroom	1.9m in Wheelhouse 1.2m in Hulls and Forepeak
Motors (Large)	2x50hp 4 Stroke Outboards
Motors (Small)	2x30hp 4 Stroke Outboards
Fuel Capacity	150 Litres
Fresh Water	200 Litres
Berths	1x Private Double
Estimated Build Hours	500 (basic standard finish)
Kit Price (Structural Only)	AUS \$30,500.00 incl. gst
Estimated Cost of Materials to Motor-away (basic standard Finish)	AUS \$60,000 incl. gst (Smaller Motor Option)