

55' FLORIDA BAY COASTER

Design Number 367 by the Benford Design Group

WHO? John & Teddi Holzemer are the owners of this new 55' Coaster, delivered in 2007.

WHAT? *Teddi Bear* is named after Mrs. Holzemer. The 55' *Teddi Bear* is an intermediate size, between the original 50' (*Florida Bay* 1987) and 65' (*Key Largo* 1988) Florida Bay Coasters. Like them, she also carries a vehicle on deck. (Coasters are also available in smaller and larger sizes, if needed.)

WHERE? Sitka, Alaska, is her home port. She was built in Auckland, New Zealand, at Johnson Yachts (<http://www.johnsonyachts.co.nz/>). Dockwise Yacht Transport (<http://www.yacht-transport.com/>) brought her across the Pacific and delivered her to British Columbia, with a stopover in Mexico. After some final outfitting in BC, the owners are now proceeded to Alaska for the 2007-8 winter, the cruised back to Puget Sound for part of 2008. While there, she won the "People's Choice" award at the 2008 Anacortes TrawlerFest.

WHEN? We worked with them for a number of years, starting about 15 years ago, to get their final concept just right. The builders worked with them for a few years also, building their dream liveaboard, to their direction. They've realized their dream, starting in the summer of 2007, of living aboard in great comfort and luxury.

WHY? *Why not* carry your own vehicle aboard? And liveaboard in great comfort? If this is your dream, as it was for the Holzemers, this is the right sort of vessel. And, if you want the ability to liveaboard in outstanding comfort, Florida Bay Coasters owners do this in a way that no others do.

HOW? Built of rugged steel, she has very large integral tankage for fuel and water, giving her a long range and ability to be self-sufficient for long-term living aboard.

DISTINCTIVES:

- She will carry a Robinson R22 helicopter on the boatdeck, behind the pilothouse.
- With the same 20' beam as the 65' Coaster, she has tremendous stability. She can carry a vehicle of up to 2 tons on deck – just be sure it's short enough that the crew can walk port and starboard of it when it's on deck! (The Holzemers carry a diesel VW Golf.)
- The pilothouse has stairs to the boatdeck, notched into its after port corner, for easy access.
- The well deck is at the level of the galley, giving standing headroom in the hull cabins below it. There are entry doors port and starboard for quick entry and good traffic flow.
- The master stateroom is in the hull, in what is usually the cargo hold and workshop area on a Coaster, and the room behind the pilothouse is an office that converts to a guest stateroom. There is a smaller workshop by the entry to the engine room.
- The saloon has the dining table and chairs, plus sofas and chairs for relaxing. Being full width of the hull, it feels like being aboard a much larger vessel.
- The foc'sle has upper and lower berths on the aft bulkhead, plus the exercise equipment. All three staterooms have ensuite heads with shower stalls, with the master head being a tub/shower combination.

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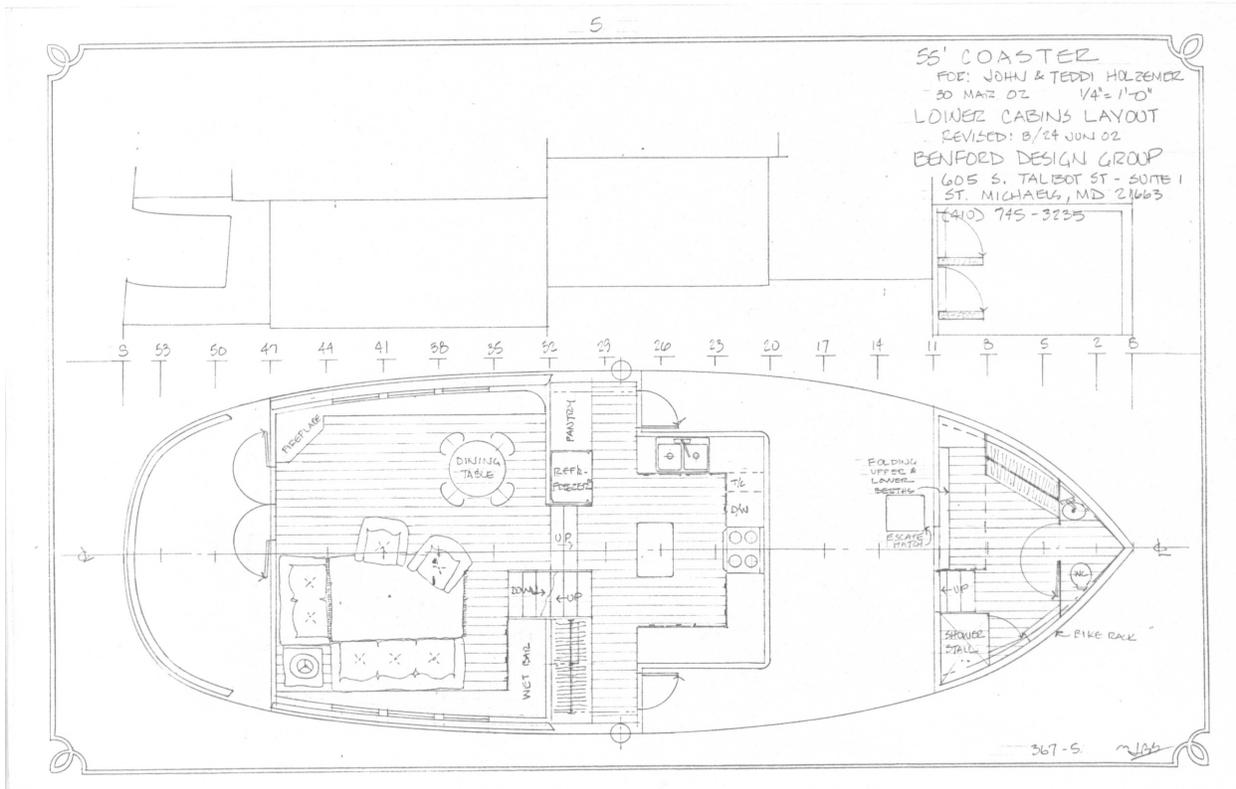
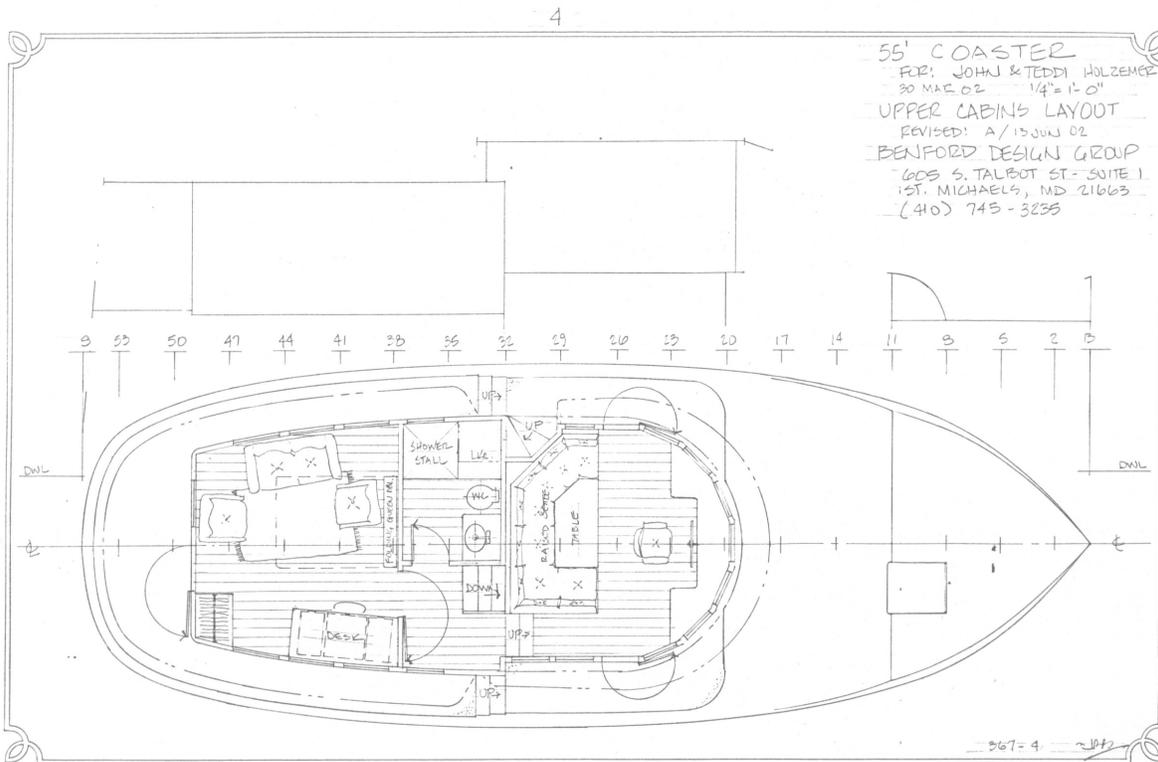
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Particulars:	Imperial	Metric
Length over guards	55'-0"	16.76 m
Length overall, structure	55'-0"	16.76 m
Length designed waterline	55'-0"	16.76 m
Beam, over guards	20'-8"	6.30 m
Beam, structural	20'-0"	6.10 m
Draft	4'-6"	1.37 m
Freeboard: Forward	8'-3"	2.51 m
Waist	4'-0"	1.22 m
Aft	2'-3"	0.69 m
Displacement, cruising trim*	140,000 lbs.	63,503 kg.
Displacement-length ratio	376	
Water tankage	760 Gals.	2,877 liters
Fuel tankage	2,100 Gals.	7,949 liters
Headroom	6'-8"	2.03 m
Power – twin Westerbeke diesels	120 hp each	
Cruising speed	8.5 knots	13.7 km/h
Top speed	10 knots	16.1 km/h
Range at cruising speed	2,250 nautical miles	
MSRP (built to order – price on application)		

***CAUTION:** The displacement quoted here is for the boat in cruising trim. That is, with the fuel and water tanks filled, the crew on board, as well as the crews' gear and stores in the lockers. This should not be confused with the "shipping weight" often quoted as "displacement" by some manufacturers. This should be taken into account when comparing figures and ratios between this and other designs.



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The final layout has some variations from this conceptual drawing, in the arrangement of the saloon and guest cabins.

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Two views of the galley.



A good view of the forward port corner of the engine room, showing the detailing of the systems.



The main saloon, with dining to starboard.

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The guest stateroom is located where most Coasters have the master, just aft of the pilothouse. It serves as the ship's office most of the time.

This is a pretty good representation of the "as built" layout of *Teddi Bear*.

Yes, you CAN take it with you!

Distinctions:

- Steel Construction
- Intrinsically Stable Hull
- Length: 55'
- Beam: 20'-8"
- Draft: 4'-6"
- Cruise: 8.5 Knots
- Power: two 120 hp
- Fuel: 2,100 gal
- Water: 760 gal
- Displacement: 70 tons
- Headroom: 6'-8"
- 1,270 sqft living space
- Utility Deck: 4,000#
- Personal helicopter pad
- Complete Luxury

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