



BILGIN YACHTS

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BILGIN 263 SISTERS COME TOGETHER FOR CUSTOMIZATION

Another milestone at Bilgin Yachts: The shipyard's largest yacht has a sister coming up. The second hull of Bilgin 263 takes place next to her sister at West Istanbul Marina. Upon her delivery in 2020, this 80-meter yacht will be the shipyard's second largest yacht ever.

Turkish custom superyacht builder Bilgin Yachts is celebrating that the two 80-meter **Bilgin 263** - largest yachts to be built in Turkey up to date- are now brought together for the interior completion. The shipyard's expertise is today extending far beyond 80-meter yachts.



To facilitate the second hull, Bilgin Yachts used its facilities in Yalova. Now that the yacht is transferred to **West Istanbul Marina**, the in-house specialist will work on both Bilgin 263-I and

263-II's interior accommodation and board systems in parallel. Both superyachts are built to ABS classification and LY3 compliant.

"We are extremely happy about the appeal of the BILGIN 263 series" says **İsmail Şengün**, Bilgin Yachts's CEO, "We are also very honoured by the confidence that another of our existing clients has put in us to deliver such an exceptional vessel, which undoubtedly, along with the first 80-meter yacht, will bring Bilgin Yachts to another level."

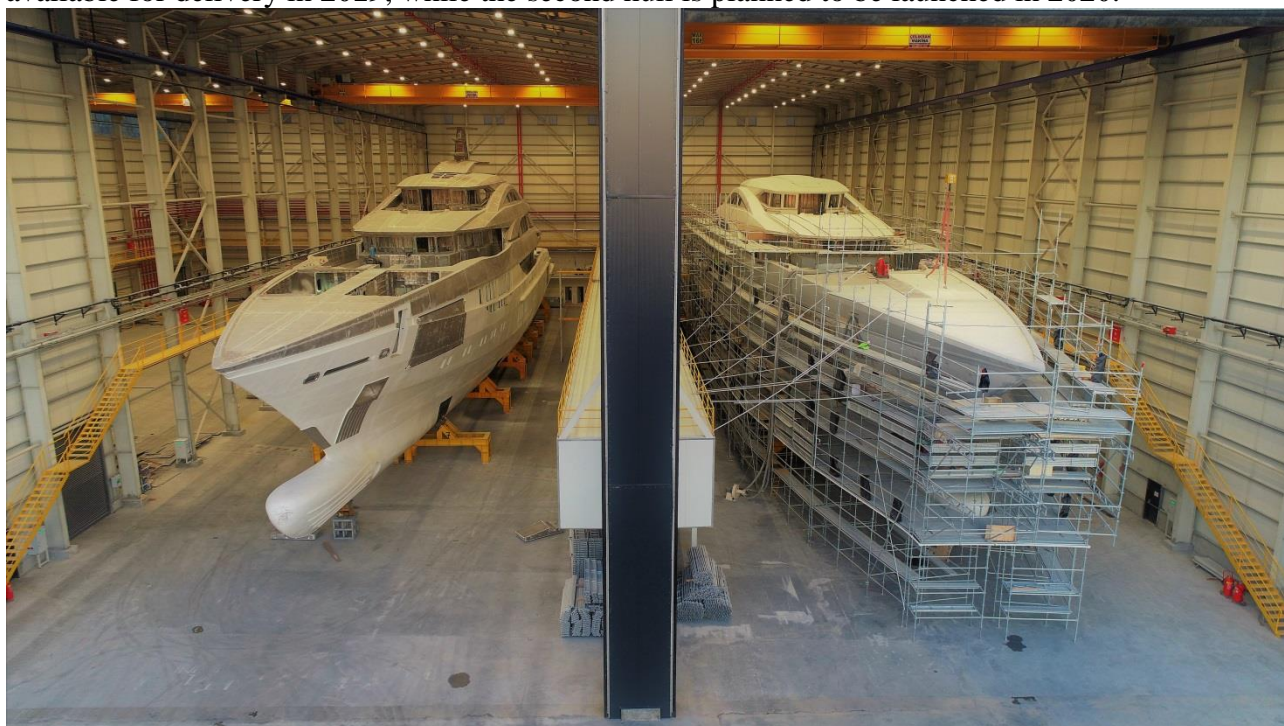
The yacht has a beam of 12,25 meters and a draft of 3,50 meters, and fully loaded she has a displacement of 1,450 tonnes. She features twin MTU 16V-4000M73 engines providing a cruising speed of 15 knots and a top speed of 20 knots.

Sleek and sexy profile for the new Bilgin 263s

Aiming to combine the comfort of a yacht with exceptional seafaring capabilities, Bilgin 263 is described by **Emreçan Özgün**, the CEO and the Founder of **Unique Yacht Design** as follows: "She is truly one of a kind. We created a very attractive yacht with a sleek and sexy profile while avoiding high dosage design cliches. The increase in living areas normally result in bulky details. The new Bilgin 263 series will dominate the sector with its design aspects."

The unique, fully customised yacht's layout includes 1 owner's cabin, 1 VIP cabin and 6 guest cabins. In addition to its sundeck area, the yacht features recreational facilities and a swimming pool. There are two jacuzzis on board, one of which is totally private for the yacht owner. Tailoring the yacht's interior was a particular focus for the project, which features a combination of exceptional materials such as agate stone floor, macassa walling, teak flooring, ripple decorative panel, mosaics and cushion fabrics. There will be many decorative elements coming up in the next months during the yacht's completion in the West Istanbul Marina.

Alongside these two 80-meter yachts, Bilgin Yachts has currently built two units of the 48-meter Bilgin 156 series, which second one is available for purchase. The first hull of **Bilgin 263** will be available for delivery in **2019**, while the second hull is planned to be launched in **2020**.



BRIEF TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Hull configuration: Displacement
Hull material: Steel
S/Structure material: Aluminium
LOA: 80m
LWL at full load: 71.01m
B.max: 12.20m
Draught at full load: 3.50m (approx)
Displacement at full load: 1,450t (approx)
Gross tonnage: 1,600gt (approx)
Fuel capacity: 155,000lt
Water capacity: 45,000lt
Main engines: 2 x MTU 16V4000M73 2560kw @1970 rpm
Maximum speed: 20
Cruising speed: 15
Range at cruising speed at half load: 5,000+ miles
Exterior Design: Unique Yacht Design
Naval Architect: Unique Yacht Design
Interior Design: H2 Yacht Design
Builder: Bilgin Yachts

ABOUT BILGIN YACHTS

Bilgin Yachts is a boutique shipyard in Istanbul area, building bespoke 40 to 100 meter luxury superyachts. It has been a family-run business for five generations since the early 1900s. With its 300+ highly-skilled craftsmen, who contribute to 90% of the work in-house, the shipyard operates in facilities covering 27,000m² that includes a state-of-the-art marine furniture factory, a comprehensive machine shop and a stainless-steel workshop. Since the spring of 2017, the company has expanded further with additional 10,000m² areas outfitting sheds and headquarters located in the new West Istanbul Marina, just 30 minutes away from Istanbul Ataturk Airport.

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