



# BILGIN YACHTS

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## **BILGIN 263-III NB78 UNDER CONSTRUCTION**

Following the launch of the first 80-metre of Bilgin 263 series, which is the largest-ever-built yacht in Turkey, Bilgin Yachts now received the arrival of the third unit of Bilgin 263, also known as NB78, for outfitting. The project arrived this week at the outfitting facility located in the West Istanbul Marina and it is planned to be delivered to her owner in 2022.

Although she shares the same platform with her sisters, this NB78 has a completely new layout. No doubt that she will make a splash with her new look harmonized with the interior living areas.

The sharp exterior lines and stylish interior areas of Bilgin 263 series offer a strong modern feeling. Although three Bilgin 263 sisters look similar, the third hull has differences from others. The yacht has larger living areas without losing her aggressive look.

Emrecaan Özgün, CEO and the Founder of Unique Yacht Design, describes the brand-new 263 series as follows: "With her design and comfort elements, the Bilgin 263 is truly one-of-a-kind. We created a very attractive yacht with a sleek and sexy profile while avoiding a high dosage of design clichés. The increase in living areas normally results in bulky designs. The Bilgin 263 has a design attitude that will dominate the yachting sector around the world. This will clearly make her a trendsetter among steel-aluminium superyachts of today."

Bilgin 263 series have contemporary lines with generous living areas. A particular highlight is given to the large spa area and the beach club in the aft. The theme of the interior is based on a light but rich palette whilst the design is definitely crisp and contemporary in feel. "As the first two hulls attract attention, Bilgin Yachts started to build the third one on-spec." says Özgün. "The customer feedback helped us to optimize this third hull. So we can define her as the facelift version of this series." Although NB78 has similarities with the first two hulls, she can be described as the modified version of the 263 series. Özgün explains this as follows: "If we talk about the exterior design at first point, NB78 has vertical front glasses that create a harmony between the superstructure and windows. Additionally, we increased the volume of the windows in the guest cabins. The top deck - with a more flowing design - has become larger in the aft section and as a result, the top deck has turned to be 3.5 meter longer. Following that, we also enlarged the aft part of the upper deck for around two meters. While we designed a Jacuzzi in the aft on the first two hulls, the third hull has a waterfall design from the upper deck to the main deck's Jacuzzi."

The third hull differs from her sisters with her general layout. While the wheelhouse is on the upper

deck of Bilgin-I and II, on the third hull it is located at the top deck level. Owner's cabin was moved to the front of the upper deck in order to have a larger area. Another significant difference is the circular stairs in the heart of the yacht. A glass surrounded lift is used from top deck until lower deck.

Bilgin Yachts is currently building three units of the Bilgin 263 series, which from NB76 is the second hull that has been already sold with delivery in 2021 and following that, the on-spec NB78 is third hull of the model which is planned for delivery in 2022. The series emphasizes eco-friendliness, featuring a special exhaust system that provides 100% clean air emissions. With two 2,560 kW engines, NB78 can speed up to 20 knots, while her 15 knots cruising speed keeps her fuel consumption @250 l/h. She is built in compliance with IMO Tier III certification and is considered to be the most environmentally-friendly yacht in her class.

NB78 is being produced and shifted to the outfitting facility in West Istanbul. Meanwhile, the new 85-meter ordered superyacht construction start is planned for May 2020 with delivery in 2023. There is also an on-spec project of 74-meter superyacht construction coming along for 2022, while the latest project is a 50-meter below 500GT superyacht, planned to be manufactured and completed as well in 2022. Both yachts have their designs signed by Unique Yacht Design. They have modern lines, spacious interior and exterior living areas as well as meeting all the latest manufacturing standards and best practices of the industry.

## **BRIEF TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

Hull configuration: Displacement

Hull material: Steel

S/Structure material: Aluminium

LOA: 80.00m

LWL at full load: 71.01m

B.max: 12.4m

Draught at full load: 3.50m (approx)

Displacement at full load: 1,500t (approx)

Gross tonnage: 1,800gt

Fuel capacity: 155,000lt

Water capacity: 47,913lt

Main engines: MTU 16V 4000M73

Engines power: 2x2.560 kW @ 1,970 RPM

Maximum speed: 20

Cruising speed: 15

Range at economical cruising speed at half load: @6,000+ miles

Exterior Design: Unique Yacht Design

Naval Architect: Unique Yacht Design

Interior Design: to be determined

Builder: Bilgin Yachts

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## **ABOUT BILGIN YACHTS**

Bilgin Yachts is a boutique shipyard in Istanbul area, building bespoke 40 to 120 meter luxury superyachts. It has been a family-run business for five generations since the early 1900s. With its 400+ highly-skilled craftsmen, who contribute to the 90% of the work in-house, the shipyard operates in facilities covering 59,500m<sup>2</sup> that include 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 10,000m<sup>2</sup> areas outfitting sheds and headquarters located in West Istanbul Marina, just 40 minutes away from Istanbul Airport.

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