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## Kuwaiti yacht owner partners with Bilgin Yachts

M/Y Falcon (ex. Sai Ram) by Benetti has recently been purchased by a Kuwaiti yacht owner and is now under refit process at Bilgin Yachts in Turkey. Built in 2004, the 52m yacht was last refitted in 2015. She is the result of a close cooperation between Benetti Yachts, Stefano Natucci for external styling and Lazzarini Pickering Architetti for interior design and design of the external deck areas.

The megayacht can accommodate twelve guests in six strikingly decorated cabins. Her sun deck was divided into three large areas featuring a large forward sun deck with tables and backrests with a jacuzzi, bar and BBQ. During the refit process, the biggest changes are made in this area. The current jacuzzi is being replaced with a new one surrounded by glass walls. All the systems are upgraded. A new dayhead is placed next to the jacuzzi.

Sun deck is expected to turn into an area which is much more suitable for parties. Compared to the previous three stable seating areas and tables, the new tables will have the functionality of going up and down. Kuwaiti yacht owner prefers to have glowing fabric on the seating areas which would definitely enliven the atmosphere during night. Additionally, bar area is rebuilt with more lights. New speakers, lasers, steam units and a DJ cabin are added to turn the sun deck into a complete

private night club.

The same concept is applied in the interior, as well. All colors are being changed in the main and upper decks. Particularly the layout in the upper deck has been changed completely. The yacht owner preferred to have ebony on the walls. By changing the colors, the upper deck seems to have a brand new identity which is compatible with the deck areas. Bar area, decorative mirrors and glasses, different panels are some of the examples. The living room of the main deck will stay same, however the upholstery will have more lighter and lively colors.

The guest cabins are affected from all these changes, too. The current colors will be replaced with the new concept. Cabinets will be covered by leather, while ceiling panels and headboards will be in different colors. Last but not least, the technical parts of the yacht such as automation system, hydrolic mechanism, fire dedection system, main switchboard, exhaust discharge, circulating pump will all go through the changes. M/Y Falcon will be ready with her new style for delivery by the end of June, 2018.

This 52m luxury yacht boasts a maximum cruising range of 5,000 miles at 15 knots with power coming from two 1,850hp Caterpillar 3512B diesel engines. Her top speed is 16 knots.

## **BRIEF TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

Hull configuration: Displacement

Hull material: Steel

S/Structure material: Aluminium

LOA: 51.80m

LWL at full load: 45.15m

B.max: 10.40m

Draught at full load: 3.20m (approx) Gross tonnage: 812gt (approx)

Fuel capacity: 1332,000lt Water capacity: 22,500lt

Main engines: 2x1,850hp Caterpillar 3512B diesel

Maximum speed: 16 Cruising speed: 14

Range at 15 knots: 5,000 miles Exterior Styling: Stefano Natucci Naval Architect: Benetti Yachts

Interior Design: Lazzarini & Pickering/Giancarlo De Filippo

Builder: Benetti Yachts Refit Shipyard: Bilgin Yachts

## ABOUT BILGIN YACHTS

Bilgin Yachts is a boutique shipyard in Istanbul area, building bespoke 45 to 100 meter luxury superyachts. It has been a family-run business for five generations since the early 1900s. With its 350+ highly-skilled craftsmen, who contribute to the 90% of the work in-house, the shipyard operates in facilities covering 27,000m<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.

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