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"ETERNAL SPARK" CAPTIVATES THE SUPERYACHT WORLD: A GROUNDBREAKING 50-METER BILGIN 163 YACHT REDEFINES LUXURY AND INNOVATION

Istanbul, Turkiye - March 2023 - Bilgin Yachts is excited to showcase the remarkable 50-meter Bilgin 163 yacht, "Eternal Spark," at the Monaco Yacht Show 2023. Setting a new standard in yacht charter lifestyle, Eternal Spark emphasizes unforgettable experiences and caters to the most discerning tastes and desires. Her successful sale was completed in 2022, facilitated by Matija Longin from SuperYachts Croatia and Berkay Yilmaz, Commercial Director of Bilgin Yachts, this extraordinary yacht's debut exemplifies the pinnacle of luxury and innovation in the superyacht world.

Drawing from continuous dialogue with yachting industry leaders, professionals, returning clients, and travel enthusiasts, Eternal Spark was crafted following the "guidebook of onboard memorable experiences." This ambitious project represents the perfect blend of performance, style, and innovation, determined to become a benchmark in the superyacht industry.

With exterior design and naval architecture by Unique Yacht Design and interior by Hot Lab, this superyacht stands out as a modern, luxurious, and elegant masterpiece of maritime engineering. The design combines timeless features with comfortable living areas and the largest exterior spaces among its contemporaries. Bilgin Yachts' CEO, İsmail Şengün, shares his enthusiasm for the new series: "We foresee a further enhancement in the distinctive signature of Bilgin Yachts. The new 163 series is one of our most ambitious projects and a perfect example of what we can offer to our clients."

Emrecan Özgün of Unique Yacht Design once again propels a Bilgin model forward with his meticulous work, crafting well-defined interior lines that complement the yacht's effective exterior

living areas. Özgün asserts that the exterior spaces of this model surpass those of its predecessors, lending a sportive appearance to Bilgin 163. The 50-meter Bilgin 163 model is an ideal combination of elegant exterior lines with proven engineering purposes; powered by twin 1,450 CAT engines, Eternal Spark boasts a top speed of approximately 16.5 knots with low operational costs.

Accommodation is a priority on Eternal Spark, ensuring that every guest is treated to an unparalleled sense of luxury and comfort. With six cabins for twelve guests, there is ample space for relaxation and enjoyment. Entertainment options are abundant on Eternal Spark; featuring four decks, five separate bars, and seven distinct socializing areas, this yacht offers endless possibilities for enjoyment. With the capacity to host over a hundred people for stationary parties, Eternal Spark is perfect for any occasion. Amenities on the yacht cater to every wish and whim. Boasting vast storage space for water toys, gymnasium equipment, a full indoor cinema, an outdoor cinema and a custom-built chase boat, guests will never run out of activities and entertainment options. Another particular highlight is her sunken-level beach club, the pinnacle of bespoke yacht design, incorporating a sauna, an ice fountain, a dayhead and a fully-fledged lounging and TV area with a wet bar.

Eternal Spark aims to be "the best and most exciting 499 GT yacht in the world," setting a new standard in the superyacht industry. This commitment to excellence is evident in every aspect of Eternal Spark's design and execution. Berkay Yılmaz, the Commercial Director of Bilgin Yachts, characterizes the interior of the yacht as a fusion of modernity, luxury, and elegance. He emphasizes the yacht's spacious living areas, large windows, and low bulwark lines that enhance visibility in the main deck saloon. Yılmaz also highlights the abundance of natural light, contributing to warmth, comfort, and well-being. He notes, "A full-height round glass wall separates the lobby from the main living room, while the Hot Lab team incorporated special features such as a floating staircase, a skylight on the sundeck floor, and a stunning chandelier in the main lobby."

Enrico Lumini, Partner and Head of Design at Hot Lab, describes the yacht as follows: "Bilgin 163 follows the studio's new philosophy 'Architecture for Voyagers' and focuses on the cleanliness of architectural volumes, and a renewed sense for a softness of lines. A plastic minimalism, sober, but rich in details." In this model, the designers wanted to rediscover the luxury of pure craftsmanship, the attention to each and every detail without relinquishing the use of precious materials. According to Lumini, the yacht will be "modern, rich, yet warm" in feeling. To provide a much more refined look and a soft sense of balance, the Hot Lab team uses small quantities of wood and natural leather in the interior living areas. In Lumini's words, Bilgin 163 is a perfect combination of shapes, soft colors and great richness of detail. Throughout the guest cabins, natural colors and materials highlight the yacht's connection to the sea, with soft transitions in every color and material being used on board.

Bilgin Yachts invites members of the press and interested parties to visit Eternal Spark at the shipyard or during the Monaco Yacht Show 2023 to experience her unmatched elegance and sophistication for themselves.

We look forward to sharing more exciting news about the Bilgin Yachts family and keeping you updated on the journey of Eternal Spark! If you want to see more about her design and features, please visit www.eternalsparkyacht.com

BRIEF TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Hull configuration: Displacement

Hull material: Steel

S/Structure material: Aluminium

LOA: 49.95m

LWL at full load: 48.26m Beam overall: 9.25m Draught at full load: 2.60m

Displacement at full load: 495t (full load)

Gross tonnage: 499gt Fuel capacity: 55,000lt Water capacity: 11,000lt Main engines: CAT C32

Engines power: 2x1,081 kW @ 2,150 RPM

Maximum speed: 16.5 Cruising speed: 12

Range at cruising speed at half load: app. 5,000 miles

Exterior Design: Unique Yacht Design Naval Architect: Unique Yacht Design

Interior Design: Hot Lab Builder: Bilgin Yachts

ABOUT BILGIN YACHTS

Bilgin Yachts is a boutique shipyard on the European side of Istanbul, building bespoke 50 to 120-meter luxury superyachts. It has been a family-run business for five generations since the early 1900s. With its 500+ highly-skilled craftsmen, performing 90% of the work in-house, the shipyard operates in four facilities covering more than 60,000 sqm. Currently in Yalova, Bilgin Yachts is able to accommodate five projects (two units of 85-120m yachts and three units of 50-65m yachts) and in Istanbul, the outfitting capacity is five projects (three units of 70-90m yachts and two units of 50-65m yachts) simultaneously. Bilgin facilities also comprise manufacturing areas, a state-of-the-art marine furniture factory, and a comprehensive mechanic, hydraulic, stainless-steel and

upholstery workshop, all of which work closely until a project is ready for launch. Located in the West Istanbul Marina, which is appr. 40 minutes from the Istanbul Airport, Bilgin provides high-quality yachts to its customers.

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