

## KAIROS. SPACE TO LIVE, BREATHE AND REFLECT. TIME TO PLAY, WORK AND CONNECT.

Oceanco, Pininfarina and Lateral have joined forces to recalibrate yacht design with KAIROS.

**KAIROS** is a new kind of living space that allows an owner and their guests to connect, share and create by synchronously **experiencing multiple environments onboard**. It offers **90 meters** of onboard life without boundaries, created in harmony with **Oceanco's NXT** initiative on sustainability and innovation. KAIROS is the result of a first-time collaboration between renowned design studio **Pininfarina** and large custom yacht builder Oceanco, with technical design and engineering development provided by **Lateral Naval Architects**.

"KAIROS is a remarkable Tomorrow's Design yacht born out of a vision shared by three passionate, forward-thinking partners in Pininfarina, Lateral and Oceanco. It exemplifies how Oceanco is looking to the future through the integrated NXT approach to yacht design, tapping into the latest developments in technical and propulsion systems while also reflecting how our

experience of living spaces is changing," comments **Marcel Onkenhout, Oceanco's CEO**. "When owners see the Oceanco NXT endorsement on a yacht's design, they know they can expect to enjoy a certain elevated standard of life onboard; one that is in tune with forward-thinking perspectives on sustainability and lifestyle."

### WHAT IF YOUR CONNECTION WITH A SPACE WAS SO PROFOUND, IT ALLOWED TIME TO SLOW DOWN?

"A standard-bearer of Italian style for over 90 years, Pininfarina has developed over the years high end yachting projects through its nautical division. The continuous search for beauty and innovation resulted in Kairos, a breakthrough project designed for Oceanco. Taking inspiration from the long experience in bespoke projects - from cars to architecture - Pininfarina together with Oceanco has created a brand new yachting experience." ▶



The **yacht's exterior** has been shaped to evoke a **peaceful oasis** in which to relax and enjoy time on your own terms. Like a floating, living island, KAIROS has a symmetrical profile with no 'forward' direction to aim towards. This elimination of momentum frees those onboard to live fully in the moment, without the sense of urgency to move to a new destination.

"Our passion as designers is to imagine new concepts of space that are capable of bringing enchantment to every moment of the experience," comments **Paolo Pininfarina**. "On KAIROS, time, space and people connect to be one in the moment. The owner and their guests are at the epicenter of the onboard experience, and the surrounding space adapts to their every desire. A 360-degree approach to design at once connects you to the sea below, to the light above and to the spaces and people beside you. It nourishes your curiosity on an instinctive level and encourages you to explore new experiences and perspectives."

The heart of life onboard is the **vast, theatrical piazza**, to which all entry points of KAIROS lead. Vertically developed across three levels, the piazza breaks from the canons of conventional yacht design. Intricate design combines **stunning asymmetric shapes, transparent structures** and a **lack of physical barriers**, influenced by the contrasting, multidimensional landscapes that exist in our daily lives. It is a captivating space in which to share inspiring moments, conveying a sense of liberty and joy.



The cabins on KAIROS have all been positioned on the lower level, allowing for a greater sense of space and flow across the main level's guest areas while also delivering outstanding views in close proximity to the water.

The layout on KAIROS encourages **social interaction** while at the same time preserves the magic of intimate moments in private places. For example, on the panoramic balcony accessed above the upper deck via an elevator, guests can enjoy a quiet moment of sanctuary while taking in the sea view.

### WHAT IF A NEW KIND OF YACHT COULD EXIST IN HARMONY WITH THE ENVIRONMENT?

KAIROS has been created to align with Oceanco's NXT initiative on sustainability and innovation, thanks to the naval architecture and engineering development from Lateral. In recent years, the builder and naval architecture studio have partnered on a number of innovative projects including Black Pearl, the most eco-conscious yacht in the world, and Bravo Eugenia, Oceanco's first LIFE Design superyacht that delivers a 30% increase in fuel efficiency.

The creative layout of KAIROS is enabled via an innovative, all-electric propulsion and energy system architecture. The e-Hybrid system incorporates batteries as the primary means of energy delivery, permitting the varying power demands of hotel, propulsion and maneuvering loads to be seamlessly met. Diesel generators are provided for battery charging and high-speed cruising, selected free from the constraints of a conventional diesel electric and purely on the basis of efficiency and energy density.

The result is an elegant solution with flexibility in space distribution and a compact arrangement that allows the primary machinery space to be accommodated within a single-tier compartment. Guest space is consequently maximized on the prized lower deck by

the waterline, allowing for KAIROS's alluring piazza to take center stage.

The e-Hybrid architecture permits extensive operation with no noise, lower vibrations and zero local emissions.

"KAIROS is the first project undertaken within the Oceanco NXT initiative. Via collaboration with uniquely creative minds, the key elements of NXT have been brought into focus to deliver a next-generation-of-user experience" adds **James Roy, Managing Director of Lateral**. "Capable of zero-emission operation, the propulsion and energy system architecture incorporates many elements of our future-proofing strategy to ensure KAIROS will avoid technical obsolescence as emerging sustainable technologies come to market. The engineering platform we have developed has enabled greater creative freedom to realize the unique design elements of KAIROS. These have presented us with an edifying technical challenge as naval architects and engineers, and the result delivers a next-generation onboard experience."

#### WHAT IS OCEANCO NXT?

Oceanco sees its future clients – the ones who are a good fit with the company's outlook and culture – as being the 'young minded' owners who look for something unique and forward thinking in their yachts. To best serve them, it needs to understand

what they will want from their yachts tomorrow, and offer solutions today. These solutions require a rethinking of everything, from assumptions about how we use the spaces we live in, to the primary drivers of why someone would want to own a yacht.

In collaborating with trailblazers from inside and outside the industry to answer these questions, it became clear that we are living in a period of dynamic change. This new era demands meaningful innovation that is aligned with emerging ideologies and approaches, with a focus on heightened sustainability awareness and stewardship of the planet.

What started out as a conversation about sustainable innovation in yachting quickly grew to a far wider appraisal of every aspect of life onboard, from deck arrangements and the kinds of modern spaces that best serve owners and guests, to the integration of technology and wellness.

Oceanco calls this dialogue and its outputs Oceanco NXT. Like the coming together of the brightest minds in an experimental thought lab, Oceanco is working with a global collective of experts from a wide array of industries to bring fresh perspectives on its vision for the future of yachting, with inspiring results. The work on Oceanco NXT innovation never stops. It is a continual process of meaningful progress. An enduring investment in our future. ▲

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