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AUSTRALIA, Perth. In 2000, Australia-based Austal set out to develop a new hull design that would achieve high speeds in rough seas, while offering the sea keeping performance required to ensure high levels of passenger comfort. In 2005, the shipyard launched its next generation 102m trimaran vehicle ferry, a hull platform that designer Misha Merzliakov has based his latest design on.

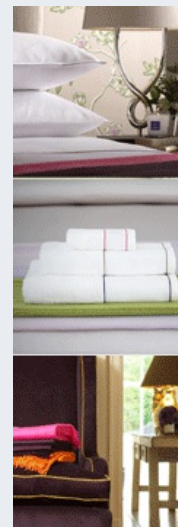
Created for an owner seeking a multihull vessel that is able to operate at high speeds, the motoryacht will be able to achieve a top speed of 39 knots. "My aim with this design was to fuse speed with comfort," explained the Australian designer.

"I think Richard Branson's quote 'screw it, let's do it', comes to mind when thinking back to the design process. The technology is there to create the next generation of superyachts and as a naval architect with experience in high speed hydrodynamics and trimarans, it seemed like the next step in the evolution of yachting. This concept is a reflection of classic automotive aesthetic that complements her thrilling performance at sea."

Capable of accommodating 24 guests and a crew of 40, the design features an infinity pool on the main deck and a beach club aft, which makes the most of the 27.4m beam. Although little has been released about the interior, Merzliakov has revealed that the lounge area has been arranged to inspire the owner, their friends and family.

The designer also explained that the tender garage and launching mechanism has a James Bond feel to it and can house a couple of large tenders on the main deck. Space for a Eurocopter has also been created in a forward lift hanger.

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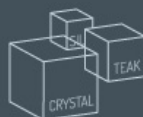
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