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LADY CHRISTIANA

### 53' Marlow Explorer 53C

- Year: 2006
- **Current Price:**  
**US\$ 1,450,000** (10/09)
- Located in Snead Island, FL
- Hull Material: Composite
- Engine/Fuel Type: Twin Diesel
- YW# 10224-1487294

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## Additional Specs, Equipment and Information:

### Builder/Designer

Builder: Marlow Explorer

Designer: David Marlow

### Dimensions

LOA: 53'

Beam: 18' 2"

Draft: 4' 2"

## **Engines**

Engine(s): C12 Caterpillar	Engine(s) HP: 700	Engine Model: C12
Cruising Speed: 18.5	Max Speed: 20.5	

## **Tankage**

Fuel: 1100	Water: 350	Holding: 150
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## **Deck**

The raised pilothouse, Portuguese bridge, wide side decks, combined with her state of the art semi-displacement hull makes the Marlow Explorer one of the most comfortable, safest yachts in any sea condition. The side decks are fully protected by fiberglass bulwarks topped with teak cap rails that are waist high aft and higher forward. The foredeck is accessed through the Portuguese bridge doors. The twin stainless steel anchors are set up will all chain on the dual gypsy windlass. On either side of the windlass, deck lockers open to expose the forward set of cablemasters. Faucets for the fresh and salt water wash downs are also in these lockers. The bow rail is heavy oval stainless steel package.

The 1100 gallon fuel tanks can be filled from either side of the yacht. The lube oil tank fill is also located in this locker that is located at a convenient height about 12" above the deck on the portside. The water fills are also located on either side of the pilothouse right below the windshield.

## **Main Salon**

When you enter the salon from the aft deck you feel the spaciousness of the vessel's 18'2" beam. The composite construction allows this space to be very open with a good view beyond the salon and galley to the front windows. The tinted windows and wooden blinds allow just the right amount of light. The salon door is one of a pair. On nice days when you want natural ventilation the second aft door can be unlatched and slid open to a 5' wide opening.

The large L-shaped settee is upholstered in Bayou Ultraleather that is beautifully tufted. Under the salon seats there is a string of 110V lighting that provides perfect accent lighting. The deck light circuits and 110V plugs are on the 4,000 Watt inverter so you do not need shore power or the generator to operate these lights. Across from the built-in settee there is an additional section of built in seating with storage underneath. On the forward end of the salon there is a 37" Sharp HD flat-screen TV. There are 5 overhead halogen lights in addition to the 24V Italian and Cabin Danmark lighting and valance lighting. There is a beautiful large teak table in front of the settee. The table also has two magazine racks on the ends and raises and lowers on a gas strut. In the forward passageway as you leave the salon is a storage cabinet with two slide out storage shelves that have inserts to securely hold glasses and bottles. The bar has a stainless steel sink, refrigerator with ice maker, and a teak cabinet for glass storage. The overhead teak valance on the starboard side has slots that diffuse the air-conditioning through the room. This overhead valance also houses the 5 small speakers for the Bose home theater system.

## **Galley**

The pilothouse is up three steps from the salon and includes the lower helm station, dinette and galley. There are port and starboard exterior doors, a staircase forward descends to the staterooms and a staircase on the port side aft ascends up to the flybridge. The galley is very well equipped with top of the line appliances and plenty of storage for provisions and housewares. The galley is U-shaped with beautiful green marble countertops and green marble floor.

- Trash compactor
- Sharp 930AK Microwave/convection oven

- Two U-line refrigerator units (4 drawers)
- Dacor cook top smooth with searails/potholders
- Fisher Paykel dishwasher
- Disposal under stainless steel sink
- Green marble floor
- Grohe faucet
- Cracker keeper/bread warmer
- Franke stainless steel sink with decorative cutting board cover
- Drinking water faucet

### **Pilothouse**

The lower helm is another very comfortable area, complete with Stidd helm chair for the captain next to a gorgeous teak dinette with Chamois Ultraleather seating for guests. In front of the helm chair you have all the systems a captain would need. The two 12" Raymarine E Series displays can be set up to display any combination of GPS chart, radar, or bottom contour data. The engine displays, VHF, autopilot, and other critical systems are all within easy reach. The overhead panel has electronics circuit breakers, inverter control, electronic tank tender Sentry fluid level monitor, bilge pump controls, the vessel safety and control center.

LADY CHRISTIANA has a remote Dockmaster Control which allows operation of the gears, both bow and stern thruster, and windlass up to 300 feet away from the boat.

### **VIP**

The VIP stateroom forward has a centerline queen island berth with six large drawers under the berth. All the cabinetry is satin finished teak. Each hull side is finished with overhead lockers with louvered teak doors and a cedar lined hanging locker. There is a 15" flat screen TV that is mounted in a custom teak frame. This stateroom has a telephone jack, stereo volume control and berth reading lights. Two Manship screened overhead hatches provide light and fresh air.

### **VIP Head**

There is a full head with separate stall shower accessible from the stateroom or the companionway to allow use as a day head. The Lexan shower door is a beautiful curved shape framed in solid teak to make the best use of the space. Both the head and the shower have exhaust fans vented outside the vessel. The sink is an undermounted china bowl on a green marble top finished with teak fiddles. The deck in this head has been done in green marble that matches the countertop. The VacuFlush toilet has a switch to prevent the unit from cycling at night.

### **Master Stateroom**

The master stateroom is amidships full width, making it very light and roomy with teak and holly sole throughout. LADY CHRISTIANA has an island queen berth with eight large drawers under the berth. The walls and cabinetry are all satin finished teak. There are two cedar lined hanging lockers and several lockers with shelving along the starboard side. The forward port corner of the stateroom has a full length beveled dressing mirror.

The 32" HD Sharp TV is easily viewed from the bed. There is beautiful teak nightstand on one side of the bed with 3 large dovetailed drawers mounted on ball bearing slides. A Cabin Danmark lamp is mounted just outside the headboard on each side to provide perfect light for reading. A beautiful curved solid teak valance over the bed has small halogen lights on a dimmer. The slots in the top of the valance diffuse the air-conditioning and send it out into the middle of the room, keeping cool drafts off the bed. There are four opening port lights with screens. When you want privacy, drapes can be closed to cover the port lights.

The en-suite head is very spacious with vanity, green colored marble counters and sole, under-mounted china sink bowl, Grohe faucet, several drawers and cabinets with shelves for storage of toiletries. A large linen closet over the head allows storage for several sets of towels and bed linens. The shower area has a large teak-framed Lexan door and the shower sides are finished in high gloss gelcoat trimmed in teak. There is a nice cabinet in the shower area to store toiletries.

The Vacu-Flush toilet has a switch to prevent the unit from cycling at night. The tank tender is next to the head allowing you to see the state of the holding tank at a glance.

### **Port Guest Stateroom**

The second guest stateroom is on the port side of the vessel at the base of the stairs from the pilothouse. This stateroom provides two comfortable bunks and a cedar-lined hanging locker. There is a 15" flat screen TV on the aft bulkhead viewable from the berths and a radio volume control. Double doors open this area to the cabinway where you descend from the pilothouse so the yacht has a very open feel.

This stateroom doubles as an office with a nice desk that is designed to securely store a laptop with easily accessible power and phone line. There are three large drawers and a teak cabinet for storage.

### **Laundry**

In the companionway is a full size set of stacked Asko washer and dryer. A storage locker for detergent and other supplies is a few feet away at the base of the stairs.

### **Electrical**

- Electrical bonding system
- Two 13.5KW Onan generators in sound shields
- Trace 4000-watt inverter
- Battery parallel switches
- Upgraded AGM Batteries
- 4 x 200AH batteries for engines, 2 x 200AH for generator, 4 x 200AH for house inverter
- 110 Volt and 220 Volt house systems
- 24V lighting system with Italian and Cabin Danmark lighting fixtures
- Overhead 24V Halogen lights
- AC/DC distribution panel with magnetic circuit breakers
- Voltage meter for all battery banks
- 4 Glendinning cablemasters (two forward and two aft)

### **Deck & Hull**

The Marlow Explorer is one of the few yachts in the world that has taken the time to optimize the basic hull design. Most yachts built today are very similar to each other and their predecessors over the last 20 years. When you see a Marlow Explorer on land you notice very quickly that the yacht is blocked at the bow like every other boat, but at the stern she rests on her own twin keels. The propellers are well above the bottom of the keels and it is obvious that a light grounding on a sand bar will only result in some worn bottom paint. What is not so obvious is how these strut keels will make the boat handle in a following sea. The lateral resistance provided makes the boat track straight with very little rudder correction required.

On deck you can see that the teak planks do not have bung holes hiding screws, they are epoxied in place. You can tell that the deck is molded as one piece because there are no seams from the transom to the bow, including the Portuguese bridge. The windshields and side windows are tinted

glass and laminated with a layer of 3M Hurricane shield to a total thickness of 11mm, twice what most builders use in vessels below 100'.

The teak rails are perfectly finished with 10 coats of the finest varnish. The hull is molded in white gel coat and topped with 2 coats of white Awlgrip with a coat of clear on top to keep her shiny. It is obvious that the mold was perfect because you cannot find a ripple in her 53 feet. She will keep her form because the Vinylester resin encases two layers of kevlar and many layers of non-woven fabrics that are vacuum bagged to the Core-Cell structural foam core. The inner laminate is all high tech non-woven fabrics. The bilges are smooth and finished like the rest of the yacht.

In the cockpit cabinet under the stairs is a fresh and salt water washdown and shower.

- Electric grill, refrigerator with icemaker, and sink on boat deck
- 1000# Aritex full rotation davit
- Cockpit shower
- Swim ladder
- New bottom paint May 2008
- Stainless Steel Danforth
- Stainless Steel Bruce
- Fresh water and sea water wash down system at bow
- Maxwell windlass VWC 3500C
- Dinghy chocks
- Novurania 2007 14'10" tender with 50HP Yamaha
- Sidepower bow and stern thrusters
- Underwater lights

### **Engine Room**

Most professional captains tell us that we have the best engine room they have ever been in on a vessel of this size. You can get to everything quickly and safely with 6'2" head room. The area is well lit with 110V and 24V lighting. There are 110V and 24V blowers to cool the space down after a run and the area is air-conditioned so maintenance can be done in comfort. Each diesel engine has dual Raycor filters. The fuel system is very simple with 2 large tanks that are usually cross-connected to operate as one (1200 gallons total). The engine beds are very heavy polished stainless steel and secure the engine vibration isolation mounts to the hull stringers and run all the way past the transmissions to accept the thrust load of the Aquadrive units. The driplless shaft seals have a crossover tube that supplies water from both engines so you can safely run on one engine. There are two 13.5KW Onan generators in sound shields.

Just forward of the engines in the center of the room is a sea chest with removable clear cleaning port. Each of the engines, generators, air-conditioning system, salt water washdown and all the other components of the yacht that require salt water have their own shut-off valve on the sea chest. One hull opening for all sea water needs provides great safety. The 700 HP Caterpillar engines are connected to the underwater exhaust system via high temperature silicone hose to further isolate noise. Gulfcoast Fire and Safety inspection completed November 2008.

- 12V & 110V AquaSignal lighting
- Exhaust blowers
- High capacity induction blowers
- Chilled water reverse cycle air conditioning compressors with soft starts
- Fire extinguishing system
- PSR pressure fresh water system
- Fuel polisher system
- S & K watermaker, 400 gpd
- Engine hour meter and gauges
- 3" lead/foam engine room insulation
- Emergency engine stop
- 4-3700gph bilge pumps with auto and manual switch
- FRP fuel tanks
- Watertight door w/window from Lazarette
- Oil temperature alarm
- 3 Fire extinguishers
- Soft engine mounts

- Naiad stabilizers
- Dual Racor fuel separators with vacuum gauges for each engine and generator
- Aqua Drive shaft couplings

### **Flybridge**

The flybridge is an excellent place for fair weather cruising and entertaining guests with two Stidd helm chairs, one on centerline. The 12" Raymarine E series plotter can be set up to show any combination of GPS Map, Radar, or sounder data. A full set of Caterpillar electronic controls is immediately forward of the large stainless steel wheel. The console also has displays for wind velocity and direction, water depth, and boat speed. The VHF and yacht's intercom phone are within easy reach. The flybridge is protected by a full fiberglass hardtop that can be lowered by a state-of-the-art hydraulic lift system to reduce the boat height to the top of the windshield to allow LADY CHRISTIANA passage under lower fixed span bridges. The flybridge is accessible by stairs from inside the pilothouse and outside from the aft cockpit. There is comfortable seating for eight people, with two tables. There is a sink, refrigerator with icemaker and plenty of storage as well as a Gaggenau electric grill.

The 1,000 pound hydraulic davit with remote control and the dinghy with outboard are aft of the flybridge seating area.

- Two Stidd Helm Chairs
- Raymarine E-series 120 GPS, Radar, Sounder
- Raymarine autopilot
- Refrigerator with ice maker
- Lower/raise composite hardtop
- Nautical Structures 1000# hydraulic davit with rotation - telescoping
- Raymarine boat speed
- Raymarine water depth
- Electric Grill
- Sink
- Under seat storage with drain mats

### **Lazarette**

You enter the lazarette from the aft cockpit and when you stand at the bottom of the ladder you have full head room. On either side of the lazarette there are beautifully finished teak doors that enclose the batteries, cablemasters, and other equipment. Most of the space is open for your use as general storage. The forward bulkhead of the lazarette is the aft engine room wall where the main battery distribution switches are mounted. The aft doors in the lazarette give you access to the steering gear, autopilot ram, and trim tab system. This area is beautifully finished in white gelcoat like all the bilges on the yacht.

- Subzero freezer with two drawers
- Tool box
- Spare filters

### **Additional Salespersons Remarks**

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