

Gone is the LEEN 50 announced just over a year ago - the design of the 56 and 72, already characterized by imposing vertical sides, was ultimately judged incompatible with a more compact powertri. In the end, the LEEN-TRIMARANS team unveiled a unit at the Cannes Yachting Festival that is more akin to a NEEL (the choice of the 51 name, the manufacturer's best-seller just replaced by the 52, is no coincidence...), with much smaller floats and, above all, longer bows, while the superstructures are quite similar to those of a NEEL. The only regret is that the famous Portuguese bridge, which totally protected the side-decks, and the interior cockpit door have disappeared - you can't have everything. But in the end, the LEEN 51's program remains identical to that of its big siblings: ocean passagemaking, exploration and, of course, living on board - in very long-term mode - that's what this new motor trimaran offers. The hybrid drivetrain (a large 450 to 600 hp diesel in the central hull and an electric motor in each float) that has proved so successful on the two previous LEENs has been to hoosted, as the 51 aims for a top speed of 20 knots. This is a good opportunity to point out that the trimaran configuration, for the same speed and displacement, divides the fuel consumption of a monohull by a factor of 2 to 6. At 10 knots, fuel consumption is limited to 2 liters (0.53 US gal) / nm. The flybridge of some 20 m² (215 sq ft) can be protected by a T-Top - an elegant way of shielding yourself from the sun while generating 2,500 W... Inside, a galley to port of the interior helm station, a large saloon and 4 double cabins, including the owner's cabin on the same level.

The LEEN 51 has been enthusiastically received, with 7 examples pre-ordered in the first four days of the show!

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Builder: LEEN-TRIMARANS - Architect: Bernard Nivelt - Design: Pierre Frutschi Length overall: 52'6" (16 m) - Beam: 28'9" (8.76 m) - Light displacement: 44,000 lbs (20 t)

Engines: 450 to 600 HP (Volvo PENTA) and 2 x 20 kW - Max speed: 20 knots

Cruising speed: 10/12 knots - Fuel: 818 US gal (3,100 l) - Water: 158 US gal (600 l) - Price: €1,165,800 ex-tax



