Charlie McCarthy set out to have his boat company produce the very best high performance

powerboats in the world

With this ambitious and demanding goal, Mr. McCarthy knew the Banana Boat Company would never become a big boat company, massproducing thousands of boats. To maintain a high degree of quality, and to be able to devote his personal attention to every boat made, Mr. McCarthy set a limit on his production

The definition of quality to Mr. McCarthy breaks down into several catagories; i.e.:

**DESIGN** — The boat must have a contemporary. but timeless design, that combines the latest in marine technology and realistic function.

The exterior must have such lines that even the most sophisticated yacht club and marine gatherings would immediately turn in admiration. COMFORT — The owners' personal pleasures are a very important factor, from the roomy interior cockpit with its twin forward Bucket Seats to the Sofa-like rear seat that comfortably seats

The ladies are not forgotten as a European Styled padded lounge cushion was added on to the rear engine hatch. Such a delightful place to work

on their tans.

The forward cabin has a V Bunk that with a master board and cushion converts into a huge

double berth for overnight.

FLEXIBILITY — Although designed for cruising offshore all day long, this boat can be loaded on a trailer at day's end. With a 7'10" beam it may be trailered legally in any state. Powered with Sterndrive engines, the boat can be brought right up to a beach for an afternoon picnic. By being only 23'11" the Banana Boat will feel right at home on many lakes and bays.

STRENGTH — With a bottom design borrowing heavily from ocean racing powerboats, the Banana Boat has a true 24° V that stays as a V all the way to the transom. It does not round out as some other so-called deep V boats do. Construction is done by New England Craftsmen using hand lay up, of course, for the entire deck and hull moulding.

Although you may never want to race a Banana Boat, it is reassuring to know it was built from the same mold with the same care and craftsmanship as the "TOP BANANA", the racing boat that Charlie McCarthy uses for testing and

development.

COLORS -Grouchy Green Wicked White Blasting Black Passionate Purple Brazen Brown Gruesome Gray

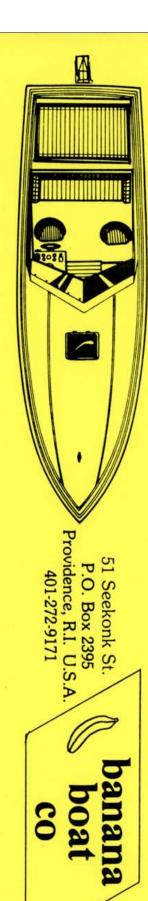
Outrageous Orange Raging Red Banzai Blue Yogi Yellow Gargoyle Gold Custom Color Mixes Available

Since production is limited and since most of our customers make each of their boats very personal through the addition of options and accessories there is no set price for a Banana Boat.

However we can show the price of a standard boat with the following engine options:

| Cu. In. | Price                    |
|---------|--------------------------|
| 302     | 16,900                   |
| 351     | 17,750                   |
| 350     | 18,980                   |
| 350     | 19,667                   |
| 454     | 20,967                   |
|         | 302<br>351<br>350<br>350 |

All prices F.O.B. factory Providence, R.I., U.S.A.



## **SPECIFICATIONS**

| Centerline length, overall 23'11"          |
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| Gunwale length                             |
| Height, Keel to combing, maximum 5'2"      |
| Beam, maximum                              |
| Net weight, approximate 3800 lbs.          |
| Freeboard, approximate                     |
| Draft to keel, bottom static               |
| Power Single Mercruiser with Power trim    |
| Steering Single mechanical Mercruiser with |
| custom foam wheel                          |
| Controls Single Mercruiser console; single |
| lever shift-throttle combination.          |
| Propeller Aluminum Three-blade             |
| Color White Std.                           |
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Complete water test and ocean trial on each boat.

STANDARD EQUIPMENT

Single Mercruiser with full Engine power trim.

Berths - V-Berths that converts to double bunk.
Windshield — Aluminum frame
Storage — Rope locker forward cabin - compart-

ment under each bunk and under rear Sofa Seat in cockpit.

Deck — Non Skid Fiberglass.

Running Lights — International stainless.

Instrument panel — Custom molded Fiberglass

Easy to read lighted gauges.
Steering — Custom Mercruiser
Steering Wheel — Foam covered Superior
Racing Standard.

Controls - Mercruiser - Single Lever Shift -

throttle combination

Bilge blower — 12v electric Wiring — Color Coded

Bilge pump — Manual Automatic Battery — High amp. 12v amp. D.C

Battery Box — Custom Racing Bracket Boxes Fuel tank — 60 gallon custom Heavy duty aluminum racing strength with fuel shut offs, fully removable with full access to gauges and shutoffs foamed in place.

Engine Mounts - Custom Strength reinforce-

ments on stringers

Fuel Filter — Mercruiser Water separator

Fuel Fills — Custom Racing design

Seats — Two bucket seats - adjustable - 360°

Rear Sofa Seat — Flip up seat for storage coverage Vent — Hull Mounted

Hull drain plug — Threaded Brass Bow Eve — Stainless Steel

Hardware — Chrome on Brass/Stainless Steel Propellor — Aluminum 3-Blade

Decals — 3 Banana Boat company Rub Rail — Stainless Steel Color — White

Hull and Deck — Hand laid up Fiberglass

Our emphasis is on boats equipped with single engines, due to the greater fuel savings over twin engines. We do, however, do twin engine installation, prices on request.

We've told you all about our Banana Boat. There is only so much we can tell you. The Banana Boat is more than descriptions and pictures: it is an experience, one that you should have for your very own. Contact us and arrange for a water test today.

Prices, specifications and standard equipment subject to change without notice.

Special equipment prices and option lists upon request.