

## DESIGNER Q&A

Marty Lowe Interior Design has completed a number of Sanlorenzo yachts, all notable for bright and cheery interiors that were designed down to the tiniest detail. *YI* sat down with Lowe about this SD112.

***YI:* How was it to work with an Italian yard 5,000 miles away?**

**ML:** I love working with Sanlorenzo. They are such problem solvers, and they get excited about trying new ideas. "Sure, we can do it" is their standard response. For my spiral staircase, they hand-cast the balustrades from stainless steel exactly how I envisioned them.

***YI:* What part of this yacht do you particularly love?**

**ML:** I love alfresco dining, so I was able to create curved sliding doors to allow the dining table to be "outside" when you want, or enclosed with a wonderful view.

***YI:* How did the spiral staircase come to fruition?**

**ML:** It was to be a focal point, and the Fibonacci sequence, sometimes called sacred geometry, intrigued me. It's a mathematical ratio found in nature, such as the nautilus shell. I wanted the interior of the staircase to resemble the pearly translucency of a shell's interior, and the balustrades were to mimic the membranes of a shell. The stone panels on each side were hand-carved from pietra stone to provide a strong balance to the delicacy of the staircase.



***YI:* Tell us about the cheery furniture, especially in the sky lounge.**

**ML:** That was fun. I wanted something not so serious. They are by Paola Lenti, an Italian company with bright colors.

***YI:* The drawer pulls are unusual. How did they come about?**

**ML:** We tried a lot of fine Italian leather before we found a soft leather that wouldn't stretch. I wanted to accentuate the undulating drawer fronts, which was another Sanlorenzo "no problem" design.

—C.C.

Teak stairs lead to the sundeck, whose aft couches can be protected from the sun with overhead sails. A sunpad wraps around forward of the classic funnel, which conceals a wet bar to serve the spa forward of the mast.

At this point, you might feel a pang of sympathy for the crew of this Sanlorenzo, with four decks of guests who expect to be fed and wine-d on each level. You might wonder why the restaurant-quality galley is on the main deck when the only possible dining on that level would be all the way aft. You might picture stewardesses



**ABOVE:** The upper-deck living space, which really is a sky lounge, is bright and inviting, with leather sofas and large windows.

balancing trays of food and drinks up and down the spiral stairway from sunup to sundown.

You would be wrong. Inside the galley is a dumbwaiter that carries meals to the upper deck, where it opens in a "butler's pantry," which has stowage for glasses and dishware so food can be plated, garnished and served on the same deck.

That main deck galley, by the way, sports a Miele four-burner cooktop, convection oven, Sub-Zero fridge with four drawers and a dishwasher. More fridge drawers and a wine chiller are in the passage to the dumbwaiter, and three freezers are under the crew mess. And because the counters that surround the chef also separate the stairs to the crew quarters, there are no traffic issues. The crew has a door to the side deck (for easy loading of supplies) as well as stairs to the pilothouse, so there's no need to move through guest spaces.

Sanlorenzo, or more likely the U.S. importer, George Jousma, understands that happy crews make happy owners, which is why the crew quarters on the SD112 are superb. Entry is through a crew mess with galley and entertainment center. The captain has a private double cabin with ensuite head, and three more cabins are forward on the corridor, with two heads.

Power for this SD112 is a pair of 1,470-horsepower Caterpillar C32 ACERTs. The "SD" in SD112 stands for semi-displacement. The yacht tops out at an un-displacement-like 17 knots, suggesting a slippery hull. The engines are set well forward, which allows for a transom garage for a RIB as large as 16 feet (4.8 meters), plus a PWC or other water toys.

The Sanlorenzo SD112 has a wow factor that comes from impeccable design, smart layout and too many details to take in on one pass. And because Sanlorenzo prides itself on its "Made To Measure" motto, you can create your own 112-foot masterpiece. **Y**

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