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Types Of Boats Available

There are many boats out there on the market, with something for everyone. If you are new to boating, selecting the right boat can be hard. There are boats for every purpose on the water, all you have to do is find the one for you.

To help you in your quest, we'll go over the several types of boats available. This way, you'll know the differences when you head out to buy one of your own.

1. Vessel

The vessel is the most common name for a boat, as it's the description used or capable of being used on the water. Basically, it's another name used for a boat or anything capable of being on the water.

2. Power boat

A power boat is any boat or vessel that's propelled by machinery. Fishing boats are great examples, as they are powered by motors or engines.

3. Houseboat

A houseboat is fitted for use as a living vessel or for leisurely cruising. Normally, a houseboat will include living accomodations such as sleeping quarters, kitchen facilities, and even a full bath. The cruising models are normally propelled by power.

4. Sailboat

A sailboat is any boat that's under sail along with no mechanical means of propulsion. The modern sailboats range from one person boats to luxury yachts that can accomodate several people. They are divided into three basic types:

- 1. Daysailer This is a small boat that's designed for comfortable sailing without sleeping accommodations. It offers a roomy cockpit and can also contain an outboard auxillary engine as well.
- 2. Cruiser Cruisers are medium sized or

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large boats that contain a cabin with sleeping quarters, toilet, food area, and usually an auxillary engine that's built inside.

3. Racer - Racers are boats built for speed and ease of handling - normally at the expense of comfort.

5. Zodiac

The Zodiac brand of high performance aluminum boats are some of the most popular in the entire boating industry. These boats are constructed with a conventional rigid hull with increased buoyancy and stability. The deep V hulls offered by these boats are made to take any weather. They are well known for their prowess and are used all over the world for commercial search and rescue operations.

6. Catamaran

These boats come with twin hulls. They provide safety, comfort, speed, and stability that's unmatched by single hulled boats. Popular with boating, they offer you a new twist to hitting the water.

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