

Living On Cloud 9

AT THE MONACO YACHT SHOW

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During the fall Monaco Yacht Show, the world's greatest superyacht event on the quays of Port Hercules, CLOUD 9 debuted – it took my breath away when I set foot on board. The show curates extraordinary never-to-be-repeated superyachts built by the world's most respected shipyards and CLOUD 9 made the cut to appear at this special show supported by his Serene Highness Prince Albert II of Monaco. There is nothing better to whet one's appetite for a lavish vacation aboard a superyacht than seeing her, meeting her crew and having a toast on deck. CLOUD 9 is like experiencing a slice of 'heaven at sea.'

HER SPECIFICATIONS

CLOUD 9, a custom-built 243-foot superyacht delivered in May 2017, comfortably and luxuriously accommodates up to 16 guests (12 when chartering) across eight cabins, arranged as an owner's suite, one VIP cabin and six doubles. In addition, space is provided for 22 crew members, plus an additional two cabins for four staff members.

Across all five decks are understated color schemes with a wide diversity of oak juxtaposed with mother-of-pearl



elements, marine-inspired artwork and unique bas-relief décor. An unusual feature of the vessel is the forward-living area located at the bow, which allows guests to enjoy outdoor living in total privacy and includes a unique party space ideal for karaoke evenings.

The Main Deck includes a swimming pool on the aft deck. Indoors, the main saloon can be transformed into a full-fledged cinema with a large screen and projector descending from the ceiling. There is also a spacious spa area, equipped with a massage table, hair salon and private bathroom. Picturesque views of the ocean can be enjoyed from the fold-down balcony. Immediately forward are the six guest cabins with more variations of the oak wood.

AH, THE OWNER'S QUARTERS

The Owner's Deck has private access to 4,305 square feet of sumptuous living space with a king-size bed facing the sea, his-and-her bathrooms and spacious walk-in closets. There is a media room with a sliding glass door opening onto the aft deck, which transforms into a private outdoor cinema.

CLOUD 9 is a powerful collaboration between CRN (a division of Ferretti Group), Zuccon International Project (Rome based architecture and industrial design studio), Winch Design (Exterior & Interior Yacht Design Company) and Burgess (Global superyacht company that guides clients through every aspect of the yachting experience including new construction supervision). It has over 10,764 square feet of design elements across all five decks and sub deck resulting in a world-class caliber superyacht.

CLOUD 9 is lauded as one of the most impressive new superyachts to hit the water this year. ●

Chartering CLOUD 9 is offered this winter in the Caribbean with weekly rates from \$875,000 through Burgess as Worldwide Central Agents. www.burgessyachts.com

