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CRN Cloud 9 Review

With a massive volume, and towering five decks high, Cloud 9 commands attention—but she's all about little indulgences for family and charter guests.

When a yacht has nearly 10,800 square feet of design details spread over five decks, you may get the impression that spaces stretch endlessly. Saloons may seem like grand ballrooms, and dining areas like the dining halls seen in so many movies about the upper crust. CRN *Cloud 9* is certainly grand, but she is anything but overwhelming. In fact, she's warm and welcoming, commissioned for family travels and active charter. Considering the owners took delivery in May and didn't step off until mid-September, they got what they wanted. As for guests, they're getting areas meant to put smiles on their faces and make them say "aah."



In working with Zuccon International Project and Winch Design, the owners wanted balance between alfresco and interior spaces. From the sundeck down to the beach club, the alfresco areas cater easily to 12 to 16 guests at a time, while retaining a sense of intimacy.



To ensure relaxation, it doesn't get much better than this. *Cloud 9* not only has a spa onboard, she even has her own signature body and hair treatments. Furthermore, the fold-down platform makes massages all the more indulgent.



To swim in the sea, or swim onboard? Why choose? The yacht has a pool on the aft main deck. Running athwartships, it extends about 39 feet wide, plus has a glass bottom.



Beach clubs have enhanced the way owners and charter guests enjoy the water, and relaxation. *Cloud 9* takes the concept to a new creative level, by extending the club farther forward, into the tender zone (not seen). When big parties are onboard and the toys are in the water, the second room lets guests spread out even more.



A favorite activity for many an owner and guest is sitting on deck and watching the sun go down. While the bow area here is a helipad, the owners don't plan to use it. Instead, it's an extra seating area (tented upon request) for conversation or, a favorite of the owners, karaoke.



The owners excluded a formal dining area from the main deck, wanting it up one level and aft instead. Varying shades of blue, including in hand-painted murals, define the décor. So, too, does the wave pattern underfoot, echoed in carved oak panels in other rooms.



Patterns and textures play big roles in setting scenes aboard *Cloud 9*, in fact. Here in the owners' suite, there's bleached oak paneling and satin-finished oak overhead. An artist hand-carved the bas relief pieces on the wall, again from oak. Dozens of treatments are used for woods and other materials overall.



Wake up. Take in the view. Walk forward outside to enjoy coffee at a private seating area. Repeat. With a master stateroom like this, part of a 4,300-square-foot owners' deck, you, too, would be hard pressed to leave your yacht after delivery.



Guests may be hard pressed to leave, too, with accommodations like this. This VIP suite on the main deck doesn't just have sliders out to the side deck. Note the glass inset into the bulwark. That guarantees better views even while lying in bed.



Amid all of the indulgences aboard their yacht, the owners of *Cloud 9* found a way to express a playful side. Small nameplates adorn each stateroom door. It isn't unheard of to name these rooms—say, for example, if the cabins' decors evoke certain moods. That's not the case here, though the names do evoke a mood all right. You can't help but smile: Each stateroom is named for a *Star Wars* character. No intergalactic decorations (thankfully), but the names surely hint at family members' personalities. To wit, the owners' suite is Yoda.

For more information, [visit CRN](#).

Specifications: LOA: 242'8" Beam: 44'3" Draft: 13'1" Displacement: 2,218 tons Fuel capacity: 65,991 gal. approx.



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