

## GRADY WHITE MARLIN 300 WA

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Marine Imports, NZ agent for Grady White have just delivered a new Marlin 300 Walk Around to a happy Pauanui Waterways owner.

Pictured here crossing the Tairua Bay on its delivery trip to its new home, the Grady-White Marlin 300 Walk Around is a superior fishing platform a fabulous looking boat that rides superior to any other boat in its class. Powered by a pair of Yamaha 300s, the boat is to be used for extensive offshore fishing out of Pauanui.



In 1988, the Marlin 280 (today's Marlin 300) was the first Grady with the exclusive SeaV2 hull, offering amazing performance and true offshore saltwater fishing boat capability. Since that time, through customer input and attention to detail, Grady-White has refined every feature of this signature, much loved 30-foot walkaround cabin boat. This is not simply a boat with fishing features, it is a boat that is a dedicated fishing boat.

Everything a fisherman would expect to be aboard is aboard and then some. Rod storage, live bait tankage, large bait station, big fish boxes, wet storage and an uncluttered cockpit that lets you fish with ease and safety.

The Marlin 300 boasts rod storage for three rigs under each gunwale, two in each caprail and two more on each hardtop leg. You could easily mount additional rocket launchers across the back of the hardtop, place more rod holders in the gunwales and across the transom, and add a few hangers down in the cabin. Suffice it to say you'll have plenty of space for rods, no matter how many species you care to target in a single trip.

You'll find padded coamings that meet you just above the knees and bars under which you can lock your toes. Overall, this cockpit provides a great sense of security when fighting a big fish. If you need to go over for a dive or swim, there is a large drop down ladder and easy access to the aft platform.



Below decks, the Marlin boasts a teak-and-holly cabin sole, removable table, V-berth and midship double berth under the bridge deck. A galley and a stand-up head with shower round out the living quarters. All in all, Grady has designed a simple yet elegant space.

The Marlin 300 has twin Yamaha F300hp motors in the new pearlescent metallic white, 4.5kva diesel genset, all 230v power, air/con, and all the usual Grady toys. Huge aft insulated kill box plus two further self draining fully insulated throw your ice inside and go!

According to the owner, Grant, the boat runs fantastic with a totally dry ride at speed even in a good chop! His comment was he is thrilled with the boat and says he wishes he had bought a Grady years ago.

He was running into a 1-2m steep chop on way back from Mokohinau Islands doing 35knots and said he upped the speed to 40 plus and was blown away how well it handled the sea.

Power options are twin Yamaha 350 or 300 hp outboards with a 50mph top speed with the 300s and 57 mph with a pair of the 350s. However, at trolling speeds both engine packages provide exceptional fuel economy.

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