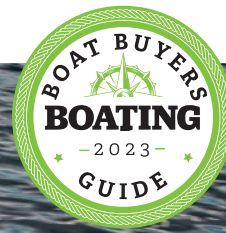


GRADY-WHITE

ADVENTURE 218



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HIGH POINTS

- ▶ Clever aft seats convert from the step/hatch cover to provide cushioned comfort.
- ▶ Cabin entry is expanded for easy access.
- ▶ Optional hardtop with painted pipe-work is loaded with looks and features.

SEE THE VIDEO

To see our video review of the Adventure 218, scan this tag or visit boatingmag.com/bbg23/gradywhite/adventure218.



SPECS: LOA: 21'3" (23'3" with platforms) **BEAM:** 8'6" **DRAFT:** 1'4" (motor up) **DRY WEIGHT:** 3,650 lb. (no engine) **PASSENGER/WEIGHT CAPACITY:** 8/NA **FUEL CAPACITY:** 100 gal.
HOW WE TESTED: **ENGINE:** Yamaha F250 XSB **DRIVE/PROP:** Outboard/SWS II 15.75" x 15" 3-blade stainless steel **GEAR RATIO:** 1.75:1 **FUEL LOAD:** 50 gal. **CREW WEIGHT:** 400 lb.

Grady-White built and popularized the walkaround cabin boat, debuting its first Walkaround model in 1974. Its versatility, seaworthiness and fishability made it an instant hit. The North Carolina builder would go on to build fleets of these boats in the ensuing decades, and nearly every brand of fishing boat copied that iconic design. Thanks to Grady's popularity and rugged construction, thousands of legacy Grady walkarounds still cruise today.

This new Adventure 218 offers 6 more inches of beam, adding valuable deck space

that Grady-White used to add comfort, convenience and fishability. Even more exciting, Grady added style points from its larger boats, like more bow flare, a sweeping hardtop and support, and kept important details, such as toe rails in the cockpit.

Naturally, Grady-White also gave the Adventure 218 its patented SeaV² hull, a wave-cleaving design that runs aft from its sharp bow and then widens gradually toward the transom. Grady-Whites always prove smooth in our tests, and this new Adventure 218 lived up to that legacy. The ride and at-rest stability impressed us, and we can recommend this boat as capable on large, windswept bays and sounds, as well as for ventures outside the inlet.

There are 14 rod holders, two on each gunwale, two shotgun holders on the transom, four rocket launchers on the hardtop and two rod racks under each gunwale. A generous 30-gallon livewell, aerated with Grady's bottom-to-top water plenum, spreads the flow evenly, ensuring no dead spots of unoxygenated water, and therefore lively baits.

Stowable seatbacks swing toward the

rpm	SPEED			EFFICIENCY				OPERATION	
	knots	mph	gph	naut. mpg	stat. mpg	n. mi. range	s. mi. range	angle	sound level
1000	4.7	5.4	1.3	3.6	4.2	324.9	373.8	66	1
1500	6.2	7.1	2.1	2.9	3.4	264.4	304.3	69	1
2000	7.2	8.3	3.5	2.0	2.4	184.3	212.1	72	1
2500	8.6	9.9	5.0	1.7	2.0	154.9	178.2	74	1
3000	10.6	12.2	6.1	1.7	2.0	156.4	180.0	73	1
3500	21.7	25.0	7.9	2.7	3.2	247.0	284.2	85	1
4000	21.4	24.6	10.8	2.0	2.3	178.1	205.0	87	1
4500	29.2	33.7	13.4	2.2	2.5	196.4	226.0	88	1
5000	32.5	37.4	17.0	1.9	2.2	171.8	197.7	90	1
5500	36.1	41.6	20.3	1.8	2.0	160.1	184.2	93	1
5900	39.3	45.2	25.2	1.6	1.8	140.3	161.4	97	1

MOST ECONOMICAL CRUISING SPEED

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motorwell to open the seating area for fishing, and the seat bottoms flip over to make casting decks on both sides of the motorwell.

The cabin walkaround is wider thanks to narrower gunwales. Inside, the cabin features a nice, bright and cozy low-maintenance space that will sleep two. A head is concealed to starboard for comfort and privacy.

The new Adventure 218 builds on nearly a half-century legacy and adds all the modern style that Grady owners expect.

