

Grady-White's New Canyon 386 Shines

By Center Console -



Grady-White has been methodically updating its <a>Canyon center-console lineup and the latest is the new <a>Canyon 386 which made its debut at the 2023 Fort Lauderdale International Boat Show.

The Canyon 386 is an evolution of its predecessor the Canyon 376, creating a center console that blends hard-core fishing and hanging with family and friends on the water. The Canyon 376 was introduced in 2009 and while the 37-footer sold out its yearly production, the Greenville, N.C., builder felt it was ready for an update.

The Canyon line consists of six models from 27 feet to its 45-foot flagship, Canyon 456. Grady-White's product designer Christian Carraway oversaw the refresh of the now 386, which focused mainly on the cockpit.



"We had such a great reaction to the <a canyon 456 that we wanted to take some of those elements and give this boat a refresh," said Shelley Tubaugh, vice president of marketing. "When we started doing that, though, we said the first thing is, the hull is fabulous, it already runs great. Everybody calls it the battlewagon, the beast. With the hull good, how do we just completely redo the interior?"

Focusing on the interior, designers added more cockpit space to the Canyon 386 (36' 6" LOA, 13' 2" beam). It enabled <a color: Grady-White to add a fourth bolster across, which is atypical for a 13-foot-wide boat, and still offer access around the console.

"You can see they actually sculpted this in," Tubaugh said. "We actually increased the cockpit space."



386 forward console seat

The new console has a full-height wraparound windshield and Q Grady-White removed some struts to improve visibility. A new integrated AV2 T-top spans the beam and easily covers the four adjustable deluxe contoured chairs. The T-top comes with a see-through hatch, storage net, radio box, six rod holders, and LED spreader and recessed lights. A SureShade is standard.

Access to the cabin is through an aft facing sliding door and following the curved stairs down reveals U-shaped seating (converts to a double berth) and a galley with a stainless-steel sink, a microwave, and a refrigerator. For entertainment, the builder included a 24-inch television.





The enclosed head on the <a canyon 386 rivals larger models with its stand-up shower, porcelain head and a sink. Additional creature comforts include air conditioning and a Seakeeper 5 gyro stabilizer, both standard on the <a canyon 386.

"This is a true weekend cabin now, more so than the other ones," Tubaugh said.

The Canyon 386 is easy to board thanks to port and starboard side doors with boarding ladders, which are standard. Anglers will appreciate the dual 35-gallon live wells, a 291-quart insulated refrigerator/freezer fish box and a massive lean bar with rod holders, knife and plier holders, and a Corian countertop. A sink is standard and a Grady-White offers an optional grill.





The bow is designed for comfort and fishing alike, featuring a diamond-stitched luxury lounger for two people with pull-down armrests, flanked by electrically adjustable backrests on port and starboard lounge seats. For fishing enthusiasts, insulated fish boxes and a casting platform proved essential, while an optional electrically adjustable fiberglass bow table catered to those seeking a leisurely cruise.

For power, <a Grady-White is going with triple Yamaha XTO Offshore 450 classic white engines. The <a Canyon 386 cruises comfortably at 50 mph with an estimated top speed of 60 mph. With a fuel capacity of 410 gallons, the <a Canyon 386 will have excellent range.

The Canyon line has been popular for Q Grady-White and it's easy to see why with its rugged build quality, performance, and versatility. The Canyon 386 continues the legacy.