

## BOAT SPOTLIGHT

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### SPECIFICATIONS

LOA: 22'7"

Beam: 8'6"

Draft: 16"

Weight (w/out engines):  
3,720 lbs.

Fuel Capacity: 70 gals.

Max Power: 300 hp

MSRP: Contact dealer

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## Grady-White 231 Coastal Explorer

The versatile one.

Grady-White is one of the most revered names in boating for good reason. The builder has been turning out exceptional craft since 1959 and does so in Greenville, North Carolina, an area known the world over for being rich in boat-building talent.

The latest in its wide-ranging lineup is the 231 CE, a 23-foot "Coastal Explorer" that stands out among the competition for its exceptional versatility.

"The 231 can easily take on shallow waters and sandbars while also navigating deeper, choppy waters effortlessly," says Grady-White's Katie Creech. "Weather and water conditions can be unpredictable on the lake, and the 231 brings rugged capability in a small package."

The boat also stands out for the absolute loads of sheer fun it can deliver. The 231 has the inshore version of Grady's SeaV<sup>2</sup> hull, which delivers soft and smooth rides even in choppy seas, and also offers a feeling of "grippiness" on the water's surface even

through the sharpest turns. The boat can hit close to 50 mph with power packages that range up to 300 hp in total. The 231 features all of these things in a footprint that is easily trailerable, making it a very tempting purchase indeed.

The boat is also well-outfitted for fishing. To that end, it comes with two large casting platforms, 19 rod holders, a 277-quart fishbox, a 25-gallon livewell, and extra stowage in the form of four tackle trays, a drawer, and a knife and pliers holder. However, it can easily convert into a cruiser as well, with comfortable and adjustable seating both in the cockpit and up in the bow. Furthermore, it has a 29-quart insulated cooler for cold drinks whether you are fishing for walleye or just taking a pleasure cruise on a beautiful summer's day.

What you're getting in the Grady-White 231 CE is a rugged little boat with an excellent pedigree that can do anything you ask of her and more. ★