



## SEA OF DREAMS

### the GIFT

A one-of-a-kind megayacht designed by famed naval architect Philippe Briand.

**Starting at about  
\$45 million**

**ONE CANNOT PUT** a price on one's dreams—which is why yacht designer Philippe Briand is reluctant to cite one for the boat he will conceive for the recipient of this gift. "We love all of our designs," he says. "But they are always customized according to the requirements of the owner, so it's very difficult to give a number."

For an idea of the price—and, more important, the possibilities—of such a yacht, one must consider Briand's previous designs, namely those created as part of his Vitruvius series of custom motor yachts. Thus far, Briand and Italian builder Perini Navi have completed two boats in the Vitruvius line, measuring 164 feet and 180 feet in length. Both were built at Perini Navi's Picchiotti shipyard in La Spezia, where a third Vitruvius yacht, a 240-foot version, is currently under construction. The approximate build costs for the three Vitruvius vessels have been \$45 million, \$60 million, and an estimated \$130 million, respectively.

Using these yachts as a starting point, the recipient of this gift will work closely with Briand to design his or her perfect yacht. "Personally, I love regattas," says the French designer, who began his yachting career as a competitive sailor and went on to design several America's Cup-winning sailing vessels through his London-based design firm. "So for myself, I would consider a boat with more racing features."

*Briand's 240-foot (rendering above) and 180-foot (right) Vitruvius models.*

