

THE WORLD OF LUXURY YACHTING

# ocean

## REVIEWS

SELENE 66 CLASSIC EXPLORER  
BLUEGAME BGX63  
ILIAD 53F

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## INTO THE WILD

AN OWNER'S VOYAGE  
TO MELANESIA  
AND BEYOND

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## RIPE FOR REFIT

MASTERING  
YOUR YACHT  
REBUILD

AMERICA'S CUP  
INSIDE LOOK AT THE  
KIWI THREE-PEAT  
AND THE AC75  
THAT WON IT

## WIDE APPEAL

EXPLORING THE ILIAD 53F'S SPACE, PERFORMANCE  
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**Sydney**  
*The World* is your oyster with our tour of the globe-trotting residential ship.  
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Left: Continuous circumnavigation ensures adventures for residents on six continents, including Antarctica.

## Passport to *The World*

The largest private residential yacht on earth, *The World*, recently visited Australia on an itinerary that combined well-trodden tracks with connoisseur experiences and wilderness adventures. **Jeni Bone** was granted a glimpse into this other-worldly wonder ...

At 196 metres and with 12 decks, *The World* – which is fully owned by its residents – exerts a majestic presence. Media is rarely given access. It's the denizen's private enclave – more like a neighbourhood than a ship. Stepping aboard with Craig Bowen, Australian sales agent and ambassador, is to be ushered into a haven of impeccable taste, fairly bristling with possibilities.

"*The World* is an extraordinary and unique proposition," he says. "Residents spend their days exploring on shore, then return to the comforts of home. They can socialise as much or as little as they like. It's the ultimate adventure in total luxury."

Launched in 2002, *The World's* 165 Residences comprise studios, two and three-bedroom units (each one with a balcony) and an opulent penthouse.

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**CRAIG BOWEN**

SALES AGENT & AMBASSADOR, *THE WORLD*

Owners hail from 20 countries. The vessel circumnavigates every two to three years, visiting around 100 ports, and residents can undertake various expeditions. On board, restaurants are authentic in their street presence and their fare. Residents can also arrange a private chef and select from the 15,000-bottle wine cellar. There are several bars, and there are clubs and classes catering to sailing, diving, golf, poker and pilates. The Colosseo Theatre shows films as well as lectures.

There are also boutiques, a conference centre, full-time pro and golf simulator, library, art gallery, games room, two pools, a spa and wellness centre and the only full-size regulation tennis court at sea.

"An international community of global adventurers, sharing a thirst for knowledge" is how residents describe themselves. On this Australia leg commencing in August 2024, *The World* visited Darwin, Sydney, Brisbane, Cairns, Thursday Island, Cooktown and K'gari (Fraser Island) as part of a voyage to six continents including Antarctica, South and East Africa, South Asia, Indonesia and the South Pacific.

When asked by media keen to learn about *The World* as a real-estate venture with ROI on investment, owners are delighted to provide one response: "Happiness".

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