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Tri and True

THEY SAY The Shallow Sport Latitude 27 is a state-of-the-art 27' tri-hull inshore/offshore

fishboat. **WE SAY** An angler who doesn't want to be limited by where his boat can go will

revel in the unique 8'6"-wide Latitude 27. Cat-like rough-water handling, coupled with a hull that jumps on plane in skinny water—what more could you want? How about stability that allows dancing from side to side on the casting platform with a fish on? Other fishing faves include a 35-gallon livewell under the leaning post and a 200-quart cooler held in place with beefy aluminum brackets. The center console is a walk-in, and there are two 7' in-sole stowage lockers. Performance? Although Shallow Sport claims that the Latitude 27 hits 45-plus mph with twin 150-hp gasoline outboards, I reached 38.2 mph with a single 250-hp Evinrude gasoline outboard. **WHO'D WANT ONE** Anglers who call a short chop on big water home. **ANOTHER CHOICE** If you're a multihull fan, check out Twin Vee's Xtreme 26 center console. It's \$49,884 with twin Mercury 135-hp outboards. **THE NUMBERS** \$65,000 with an aluminum trailer. Contact Shallow Sport at 906/233-9489, www.shallowsportboats.com. —DANIEL W. LONG

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Certified Test Results

Shallow Sport Latitude 27

TEST BOAT POWER Single 250-hp Evinrude V-6 gasoline outboard with 200 cid, 3.85" bore x 2.86" stroke, swinging a 15" x 16" four-bladed ss prop through a 1.85:1 reduction.

rpm	SPEED			EFFICIENCY				OPERATION	
	knots	mph	gph	naut. mpg	stat. mpg	n. mi. range	s. mi. range	run angle	sound level
1000	4.3	5.0	1.1	4.0	4.5	640	736	0	71
1500	6.3	7.2	1.4	4.5	5.1	724	833	0	72
2000	7.5	8.6	2.7	2.8	3.2	448	516	0	75
2500	8.2	9.4	4.4	1.9	2.1	301	346	0	76
3000	9.6	11.1	6.5	1.5	1.7	240	277	1	78
3500	13.6	15.7	8.0	1.7	2.0	276	318	2	80
4000	14.3	16.5	9.1	1.6	1.8	255	294	2	85
4500	15.4	17.7	10.5	1.5	1.7	237	273	2	87
5000	18.4	21.2	12.2	1.5	1.7	245	282	2	89
5500	28.5	32.8	18.2	1.6	1.8	254	292	2	94
5900	33.2	38.2	23.4	1.4	1.6	230	264	2	96

Advertised fuel capacity 180 gallons. Range based on 90 percent of that figure. Performance measured with two persons aboard, one-quarter fuel. Sound levels taken at helm, in dB-A.



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