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## **Blackfin Boats Unveils the All-New 262 Hybrid Bay Boat: The Ultimate Blend of Offshore Power and Inshore Versatility**

**Williston, Florida** – January 30, 2025 – Blackfin Boats proudly announces the launch of the all-new Blackfin 262 Hybrid Bay Boat, a revolutionary vessel that delivers the perfect balance of offshore capability and inshore versatility. Designed for both serious anglers and families seeking unforgettable experiences on the water, the 262 Hybrid sets a new standard in performance, comfort, and functionality.

Measuring 28'6" with engine, the Blackfin 262 Hybrid boasts a spacious and meticulously designed layout, offering ample room for fishing, cruising, and entertainment. Built with Blackfin's signature craftsmanship and cutting-edge technology, this hybrid bay boat is engineered for peak performance in diverse water conditions.

### **Unparalleled Fishing Features**

For avid anglers, the Blackfin 262 Hybrid is packed with premium fishing amenities, including:

- Ample rod storage for all your gear
- Dual aerated 5-gallon port and starboard bow pitch wells to keep bait fresh
- Dual 30-gallon aft live wells for extended fishing trips
- A wide, sturdy bow and stern casting deck for optimal fishing conditions
- Aft in-floor fishbox and bucket storage
- Standard bait prep/rigging station with fresh and raw water washdown hoses

## Uniqueness & Innovation

- **Blackfin's Twin Step Hull Design:** Provides superior performance, allowing the boat to remain on plane at low speeds, plane quickly with minimal bow rise, and maintain stability with its large chine beam. The hull responds like a traditional straight-bottom boat at low speeds but benefits from stepped hull efficiency at higher speeds.
- **Hull shear being taller at the bow:** Improves visibility for fishing, cast netting, and rough water handling, reinforcing the "Hybrid" bay style for inshore and offshore versatility.
- **Multiple bow layouts:** Designed for flexibility, utilizing the same deck.
- **Seastar digital switching system:** Integrates all boat functions, including battery switches, through a key FOB.
- **Sturdy hardtop frame with bonded glass:** Allows for easy addition of optional upper station.
- **Console design:** Accommodates large electronics, provides maximum headroom inside, and allows easy access to rigging.
- **Aft bilge access/seat:** Ensures easy maintenance and access to components.

## Performance & Efficiency

- **Standard Mercury V10 Outboard with 10" jackplate**
- **Maximum Power: 400HP**
- **Top Speed: Upwards of 60 mph**
- **Comfortable cruising speeds: 30-40 mph**
- **Fuel Capacity: 100-gallon tank for extended range and longer trips**

## Luxury Meets Functionality

Beyond its superior fishing features and performance, the 262 Hybrid prioritizes comfort and convenience. With advanced helm electronics, an array of rod holders and cup holders, and a robust hardtop frame with bonded glass, this boat is designed for both serious fishing and family relaxation.

"The 262 Hybrid represents the evolution of our commitment to innovation and quality," said Charles Marshall, Co-Chairman at Blackfin Boats. "We've meticulously designed this hybrid bay boat to offer the perfect combination of performance, versatility, and luxury, making it an exceptional choice for anglers and boating enthusiasts alike."

The Blackfin 262 Hybrid Bay Boat is now available through authorized Blackfin dealers nationwide. For more information, visit [BlackfnBoats.com](http://BlackfnBoats.com) or contact Rene' Moore at 352-528-2628.

## ABOUT BLACKFIN

Since its birth in 1973, Blackfin has been the gold standard for top-quality fishing boats. Now the brand lives on and it's better than ever. Our current line of boats features both center and dual console boats which range from 22' to 40'. Every Blackfin Boat features all the best traits of the original Blackfin classic fishing boat, seamlessly blended with all the latest in innovative technology. Our aim at Blackfin Boats is to build on a legendary brand heritage while incorporating the latest in design, engineering and materials to deliver state-of-the-art fishing boats unmatched in durability, safety, build quality and warranty.

## 262HB SPECIFICATIONS

Name	Domestic Value	International Value	Description
LOA w/Swim Platform	26'3"	8.00M	Length Overall, including Swim Platform
LOA W/Engine	28'6"	8.68M	Length overall with engine
Beam	9'2"	2.79M	Width of hull at widest section including rubrail
Deadrise	17°	17°	Angle of keel measured at transom
Draft - Engine Up	17"	43CM	Depth of hull to lowest point, Outboard trimmed up
Draft - Engine Down	28"	71CM	Depth of hull to bottom of outboard, trimmed down
Bridge Clearance W/Hardtop	7'9"	2.36M	Height from water to highest point on hardtop, normal load
Bridge Clearance w/Upper Helm	9'3"	2.82M	Height from water to highest point, normal load
Fuel Capacity	100GAL	379L	Capacity of fuel tank in gallons/liters
Water Capacity	15GAL	57L	Capacity of water tank in gallons/liters
Waste Capacity	11GAL	42L	Capacity of waste tank in gallons/liters
Dry Weight without Engines	4700LBS	2132KG	Mass of boat without engine(s) and batteries, no fuel, water, waste, or gear
Water Ready Weight	6300LBS	2858KG	Mass of boat with engine, fuel, and water
Max Persons	Yacht Certified	TBD	Maximum Rated Persons Capacity
Max Power	400HP	373KW	Maximum horsepower for safe operation

