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ARRETT BAY BOATWORKS HAS RECENTLY launched the new custom 46-foot Persistence for NASCAR driver Jeff Burton. The first Jarrett Bay built with pod drives, Persistence takes advantage of the extra room provided by having a second stateroom beneath the salon. In the case of the Burtons, this area will be used for their children, but the room provided could easily be converted into a crew quarters or extra storage area in an alternate layout. Another interesting feature on the interior layout is the interior helm station, which required the use of forward facing windows in the salon, not the typical wrap-around mask found on many sportfishing boats.



The cockpit features an elevated mezzanine with a sofa so spectators can watch the action in comfort. Instead of a fighting chair, Burton went with a gimbaled Release Marine rod holder and Persistence sports a half tower with a lightweight, resin-infused hard-top. Electronics include ICOM VHF radios coupled with Comrod antennas, a FLIR thermal imaging camera and ACR searchlights. Burton's baby is powered by twin 575-horsepower Cat C9 ACERTs that provide a top speed of 35.5 knots at 2500 rpm, and a cruise speed of 30.5 knots at 2300 rpm. www.jarrettbay.com

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Bermuda has been a destination for paradise-seeking travelers for years, with its secluded, pink-sand beaches, classic homes and historic ports-of-call. In 2009 the island celebrated 400 years of permanent settlement, further elevating the timeless charm that makes a visit to Bermuda is a must on the bucket list of any cruiser. However, you