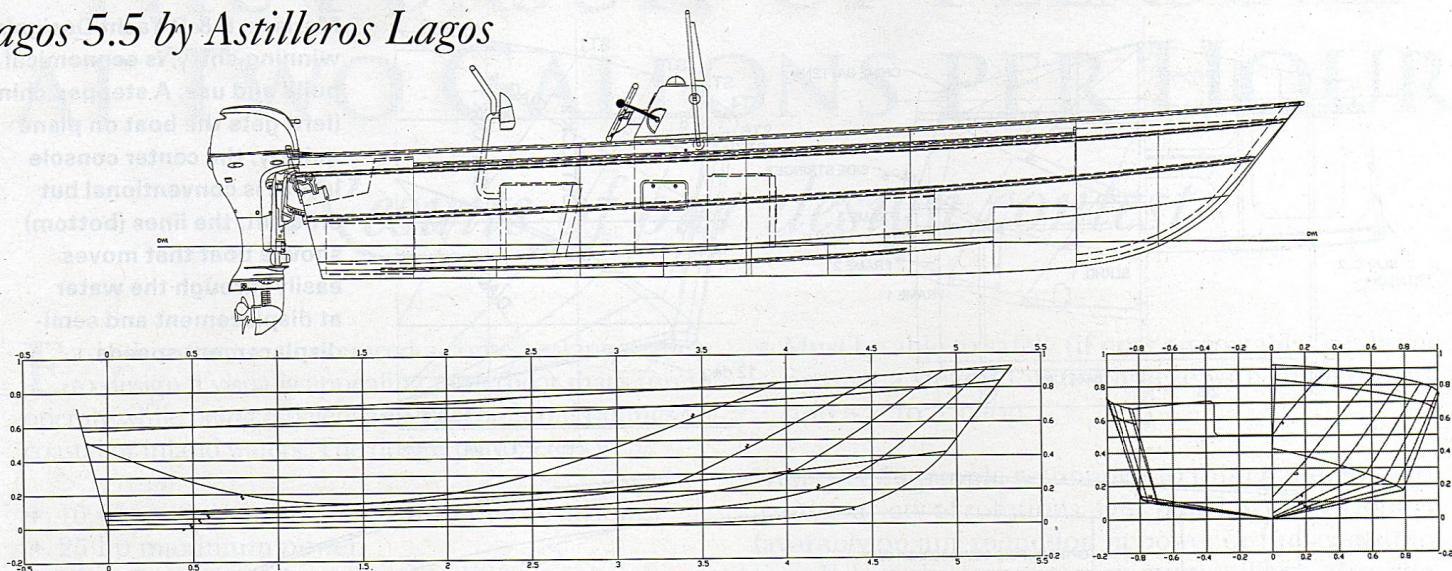


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Lagos 5.5 by Astilleros Lagos

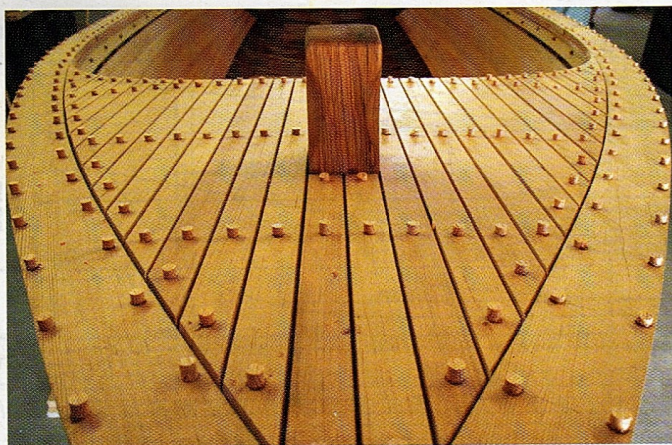


The Lagos 5.5, like the contest winner Marissa, at first glance appears conventional. "[T]his is really what we wanted to achieve," say the boat's designers. But the engineered-plywood construction and the performance figures bespeak a latter-day creation. The boat requires 18 hp to be driven at 15 knots and at that speed consumes slightly less than 2 gph.

The plywood hull has a single chine in the usual place, and a stringer running along the length of the

lower edge of the sheerstrake. This stringer is the foundation for a lower-than-sheer-height side deck, which, in effect, creates a convenient shelf running along the hull's perimeter. The sheer planks, then, effectively become bulwarks, which roll outboard slightly at the bow; the resulting flare adds to a dry ride.

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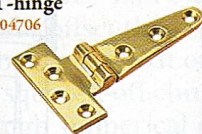


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