

Mikelson 78 and WESMAR Bow Thrusters A Perfect Fit

The 78' Mikelson sportfisher Avenger recently returned from a trip where the vessel cruised from Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, to Miami, Florida, for the Miami Boat show. The show was a smashing success as was the performance of the Avenger. Equipped with several innovative products, including a WESMAR counter-rotating dual prop bow thruster, Avenger Captain John E. Rains describes the 3,500 mile trip as "flawless."

The 78' Mikelson was designed by Tom Fexas and built at respected Knight and Carver boatyard in San Diego. The yacht is stocked full of amenities and continues the Mikelson tradition of elite craftsmanship and state of the art equipment. The vessel features two 1,130-hp MTUs, four double sized staterooms, with four heads, a gourmet galley and a luxuriously spacious salon. A 342-square-foot cockpit with teak decking, built-in tackle storage, twin tackle centers, twin live-bait tanks, a lanai deck day head and a freshwater shower turns heads. With a fuel capacity of over 3000 gallons, the Mikelson 78 provides owners of the vessel with tremendous uninhibited cruising capacity.

Like all Tom Fexas designed yachts the Avenger is only



The owner of the 78' Mikelson Sportfisher Avenger demanded WESMAR equipment when choosing to install a bow thruster.

equipped with the finest in high-tech equipment. When the Mikelson 78 was being designed one of the first product concerns was what bow thruster system to install. The efficiency of the WESMAR counterrotating dual prop bow thruster made the decision easy. "The owner of the Avenger was adamant that we use the WESMAR DPC," says Mikelson Marketing Director Michael Loffer. "His unit has performed so well that we plan to make WESMAR bow thrusters standard equipment on the Mikelson 78."

The people at Mikelson Yachts have been so impressed with the Avengers's bow thruster that they plan to increase the use of WESMAR equipment on Mikelson

products in the future. "We will also go with WESMAR Stabilizers in the future," says Michael Loffer, Director of Marketing. "Their new electronic gyro design is really impressive."

Now owners of the Mikelson 78 can choose to equip their boat with either a WESMAR DPC 25 hydraulic bow thruster, or a WESMAR DPC 12E electric model. With the world's most popular bow thruster installed on the world's most impressive sportfisher, yacht owners should only experience maximum comfort and maneuverability.

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