



KM YACHTBUILDERS

# Bestevaer 49ST

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KM Yachtbuilders is dedicated to the construction of aluminium custom-built sailing yachts of any design up to 100 feet. This means that our customers have their yachts built exactly to their own requirements and wishes. Tailor made!

### THE BESTEVAER DESIGNS

All the ships that we build in collaboration with Dykstra Naval Architects are launched under the name ‘Bestevaer’. The Bestevaers are exclusively built by KM Yachtbuilders. The Bestevaers either have a straight bow (ST) spoon bow (S), or a clipper bow (C). Gerard Dijkstra designed the Bestevaer 53ST for his own use. This is how the ST series was born. A Dykstra Naval Architects design stands for a performance sailing yacht: fast, safe, and comfortable.

### BEST WHAT?

Bestevaer was a nickname given to Michiel Adriaanszoon De Ruyter, one of the important Dutch admirals of the seventeenth century. The crew loved their captain and called him ‘Beste Vaeder’ (best father), which was then shortened to Bestevaer. The word Vaer also means sailor, seafarer. Thus, De Ruyter was not only the best father, but also the best seafarer. Bestevaer is a very fitting name. In this brochure we focus on the Bestevaer 49ST. Of course, any size yacht is possible with a ST-bow.



## Bestevaer 49ST

### SPECIFICATION

Type:	Bestevaer 49ST
Yard:	KM Yachtbuilders
Designer:	Dykstra Naval Architects
LOA:	14,97 m
LWL:	13,72 m
Beam:	4,40 m
Draught:	2,10 m/2,30 m/2,50 m or lift keel
Sails:	65.5m² mainsail, 49.2m² genoa
Hull material:	Aluminium
Cabins:	2 or 3
Bathrooms:	1
Displacement:	18 T
Engine:	Yanmar 4JH4-TE 75hp
Diesel:	2x 320 L + Daytank 90 L
Water:	2x 400 L
Black water:	50 L
Options:	Carbon rigging, lift keel, water ballast, tiller or wheel steering, boarding platform, electric winches, painted hull, ice reinforcement, teak or Esthec on deck, solar panels, design interior styling, underfloor heating, etc.

With the ‘Katharos’ (2009) KM Yachtbuilders has once again delivered an unpainted aluminium yacht. The deck features the same basic colors as the interior: a black stripe on the hull just under the freeboard, a black radar unit and solar panels. The black carbon mast is not only a pretty sight: it also contributes to the outstanding sailing properties of the ‘Katharos’. The interior is very contemporary with green, purple and white colours, and gives a fresh and clean atmosphere.

Her sister, the Zwarte Raaf (2014) has kept her hull completely unpainted, and also on deck level the paint work is kept to a minimum. The cockpit is deep and safe, and fitted with a tiller. The aluminium boom features a ‘Lazy Rack’ for easy stowage of the sails. The interior styling is a world apart from the ‘Katharos’, although they have the same lay out. Here you’ll find oak floors, mahogany cabinets and beamed ceilings. White bulkheads and walls ensure a light and airy feel.



Bestevaer 49ST ‘Katharos’  
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EXTERIOR



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INTERIOR

Interior styling is a very personal thing. Each owner has his own preferences and requirements for what he wants to have. Some people like a traditional styling, others are more into a modern look.

The nice thing about the ‘Katharos’ and the ‘Zwarte Raaf’ is that they both have a completely different interior styling. The ‘Katharos’ is modern, clean, fresh and light with high gloss painted doors and cabinet fronts. De ‘Zwarte Raaf’ is more nautical with an oak floor and mahogany cabinets and frame work on the doors. Thanks to her white ceilings, walls and the portholes, she also has a light interior. Both have the comfort of a pilot house to sit during sailing and in harbour.

Eeuwe Kooi, owner KM Yachtbuilders: “Each yacht has to fit her owner, like an Italian made suit!”

Bestevaer 49ST ‘Katharos’



Bestevaer 49ST ‘Zwarte Raaf’

