

# Fairline Targa 44 GT

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A retractable open hard-top that closes upon shut-down, is just one of the Targa's advanced characteristics making her ideal for novice boaters.

**T**he Targa 44 Gran Turismo manufactured by Fairline is taking the boat world by storm since making her debut at the Dubai International Boat Show earlier this year. Their order book of well over 80 boats bears testimony that this superior London-based boat builder has finally grasped the needs of contemporary boaters and done something about it! SA importer, Derrick Levy of Boating World, says it's no surprise to him that: "Fairline keeps ahead of trends, never compromises on quality, and always uses the best materials available."

The go-getting adventurous type will appreciate the Targa 44's retractable powered hardtop giving an open-top

sports cruiser look. And for the more demure, this effortlessly changes into a secluded deck saloon at the flick of a switch. (As an added security feature, the roof automatically closes when the boat is shut down. This makes the cockpit exceptionally quiet when closed, whether moored or under power).

The 44 is not only beautifully sporty on the outside but the interior is spectacular. She boasts an amazing selection of unique, quality fabrics from silks, velours and cottons to leathers, all designed to sustain the tough marine environment of salt spray and suntan lotions – while offering a stunningly luxurious appeal. ➤



The Targa's lavish interior boasts a selection of silk, velour, cotton and leather materials.



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She is the first Fairline to have a specially-designed hull to fit the revolutionary Volvo Penta IPS (Inboard Performance System), with unique forward-facing propeller units. But why should this matter? This system delivers 15% faster acceleration, 20% greater top speed and 30% better fuel economy than non-IPS models. And most appealing to the young at heart, it comes complete with joystick! Now owners can effortlessly move the boat diagonally, sideways and rotationally around packed marinas or tight-fitting moorings.

So, you have easily manoeuvred yourself out into the open and now you can enjoy complete freedom with the twin Volvo Penta IPS500 D6-370 EVC Diesels (or twin Volvo Penta IPS600 D6-435 EVC Diesels), which have what it takes to reach an impressive 35 knots. And there will be hours of fun with her 996-litre fuel capacity (and a 300-litre water capacity).

If entertainment rates high on your list, the vast sociable cockpit offers extensive seating for six people and includes a teak wet-bar.

When it just gets too hot for comfort a quick dip is easy, thanks to the extra-large tender/bathing platform with concealed bathing ladder, and there are plenty of spots for tanning and relaxing. A powered aft bench seat converts into a sun bed at the push of a button. But, if you do happen to tire of the sun, you'll enjoy the luxuriously spacious saloon with ample seating and great stowage to help keep the area clutter-free. This leads to the galley which features a microwave oven and fridge allowing easy entertaining while perfectly complementing the stylish cabinetry in a choice of woods. There is also a conveniently placed sink, complete with hot and cold water.

Six people can sleep in luxurious en-suite accommodation, both above and below deck, but she really caters for the romancer in you! The master cabin has en-suite access and an oversized double bed and the aft cabin features twin beds which slide together to form a king-sized bed. The aft cabin's large bathroom with its full-height shower has access from the saloon – a unique feature for a boat of this size.

The Targa 44 is not just a sporty looker, she's safe as well. Generous hand-holds are positioned throughout to allow safe movement around the boat in all conditions and consideration has been given to the needs of working the boat with wide side-decks, well-placed cleats and easily accessed stowage areas.

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The wood-finished kitchen area, featuring an oven and fridge, is perfect for a romantic dinner.

**At a glance**

Length overall (inc. gunnel)	13.68 m
Beam (inc. gunnel)	4.01 m
Draught (unloaded)	1 m
Dry Weight (approximately)	11 300 kg
Sleeping Capacity	6
Engines	Twin Volvo Penta IPS500 D6-370 EVC Diesels