



DYT Yacht Transport and Sevenstar Yacht Transport Titans of Boat Shipping Partner to Serve the World

FT. LAUDERDALE/AMSTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS (February 13, 2014) – Now that the partnership between leading yacht transport companies DYT Yacht Transport and Sevenstar Yacht Transport has been finalized, it's great news for yacht owners who, by choice or necessity, depend on the shipping of their prized possessions to various ports around the world. The two companies, while maintaining their separate identities, are fully equipped to advise on the best options for either float-on/float-off (FLO/FLO) or lift-on/lift-off (LO/LO) services offered by a fleet of over 120 ships that are wholly owned and operated by parent company the Spliethoff Group, one of the largest ship owners in The Netherlands, which plays a major role in the global transport market.



(Left) Super Servant 4, recently, in Brisbane, Australia, submerges to allow its cargo of luxury yachts to float on (photo credit Lachlan Taylor). (Right) DYT Yacht Transport's Yacht Express heads across the Atlantic (photo credit Onne van der Wal). Available to download in high resolution by clicking the photo above

“The partnership makes all the sense in the world,” said Richard Klabbers, Sevenstar’s managing director. He explained that DYT’s two ships—Yacht Express and Super Servant 4—are the world’s only dedicated yacht transport ships that can submerge their dock bays for easy FLO/FLO entry and exit of yachts on their own keels and are assigned primarily to the safe and expeditious transport of yachts across the Atlantic Ocean. Sevenstar’s expansive global routes, which have been serviced by Spliethoff’s LO/LO carriers since 1987—the same year that DYT performed its first yacht transport operations under the name Dock Express – offer yacht owners unlimited access to just about any travel destination in the world.

“By keeping the two trusted brands intact, we will continue to give our customers understandable choices,” Klabbers continued. “A charter boat owner has to be in the Caribbean or the Med by a certain date and back to the U.S. by another; a game fishing enthusiast needs to be at a tournament in Costa Rica; a cruising couple wants to start a ‘round-the-world adventure in the South Pacific – every situation for every yacht owner is different. Whatever the need and no matter which of our offices or agents they call, they will be expertly advised on the best way to safely transport their yacht.”



(Left) A motoryacht is lifted on to the deck of one of Sevenstar Yacht Transport’s ships. (Right) One of Sevenstar’s fully loaded ships gets underway (both photos credit Sevenstar Yacht Transport). Available to download in high resolution by clicking the photo above
A team of experienced loading masters constantly travels the globe to orchestrate the loading and unloading of yachts entrusted to DYT and Sevenstar. “Better a specially trained professional to handle such precious cargo as multi-million dollar yachts,” explained Klabbers, who added that DYT and Sevenstar agents also are strategically posted around the world to advise and handle logistics for yacht owners once bookings have been decided. He cautioned that some companies in the yacht transport business that operate as “freight forwarders” are not equipped with the understanding and knowledge required to ship yachts. This can lead to a yacht being stuck in port when its proposed ride is detained, doesn’t exist, or the costs are not fully disclosed to the yacht owner. “Our business is about getting the yachts to their destinations safe, sound and hassle-free. All insurance work and port clearances are completed

in advance by our agents. All loading, unloading, cradling and fastening of yachts is overseen by our loading masters.”

Other benefits of transporting with DYT and Sevenstar are less wear and tear on yachts; time off for crew during transport; less time required for delivery; and new horizons to explore. “There are so many fabulous cruising destinations worldwide,” said Klabbers, “and with our help, one could possibly reach them all in a lifetime.”

For more information on DYT and Sevenstar, visit <http://www.yacht-transport.com> and <http://www.sevenstar-yacht-transport.com/>; contact Catalina Bujor, DYT Yacht Transport, +1 954-525-8707, pr@yacht-transport.com, or Sander Schuurman, Sevenstar Yacht Transport, +31 20 4488 693, communications@sevenstar-yacht-transport.com

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More about DYT Yacht Transport

DYT Yacht Transport (DYT), headquartered in Fort Lauderdale, Florida (US), specializes in the maritime transport of private luxury yachts. DYT utilizes semi-submersible dock bays that allow yachts of any size to be safely and easily floated on and off as cargo, making it a leading provider of yacht transportation on a regular liner service. Since its maiden voyage in 1987, the company has transported over 13,000 motor and sailing yachts to various destinations around the globe, offering owners and charterers safe and easy access to many of the world's premier cruising grounds. Along with area representatives around the globe, DYT has additional operating offices in Italy, Martinique and Newport (R.I.).



More about Sevenstar Yacht Transport

Sevenstar Yacht Transport is the world's leading provider of yacht shipping services, with a global network of destinations and a fleet of over 120 independent carriers. The company is headquartered in Amsterdam, The Netherlands, and runs a worldwide network with offices in the United States, the UK, Australia and Turkey, and agents in Monaco, Germany, Russia, New Zealand, Singapore, Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia, Mexico, Gibraltar and BVI. In October 2013 Sevenstar acquired DYT Yacht Transport including two semi-submersible vessels dedicated to float-on, float-off yacht transport, making it a perfect fit with Sevenstar's lift-on, lift-off yacht transport specialty.