

Hamilton Jet Model HJ274  
Application Review

## Egret Offshore Jet Option for Comfort & Performance



The Egret Boat Company of Miami, Florida is well known for its range of 16 and 18 foot flats boats. These craft are lightweight, rugged and fast while offering a comfortable ride – ideal as a tender or inshore fishing boat. Now Egret has introduced a larger sports fishing boat, combining features of the smaller models with improved offshore characteristics and the option of waterjet propulsion.

The Egret 29' Offshore was several years in the making, using full scale prototypes and extensive in-water testing and evaluation to perfect the design before building the moulds. With over 110 separate features, the Egret 29' Offshore is described as "a luxury product which offers the ultimate in fit, finish and performance to meet the needs of true sportsmen who expect the best."

The Egret design creates an excellent ride and a low centre of gravity, making the boat extremely stable under way, trolling or

drifting. The 29' centre-console craft is constructed using a PVC foam core, Kevlar and carbon fibre, and vinyl ester resin. This creates a very light but strong hull.

The prototype Egret 29' Offshore was powered by a pair of 225hp outboard engines. The first highly customised production boat (pictured) sports a centerline 420hp Yanmar diesel coupled to a Hamilton Model HJ274 waterjet. The waterjet option complements Egret's offshore design to provide smooth and quick

### ▶ Brief Specifications

<b>TYPE:</b> Egret 29' Offshore	<b>WATERJET:</b> Single Hamilton Model HJ274
<b>SERVICE:</b> Sports Fisher	<b>ENGINE:</b> Single Yanmar diesel Model 6LY2A-STP 309kW (420hp) @ 3300rpm
<b>LENGTH:</b> 29' (8.84 metres)	<b>DESIGNER/BUILDER:</b> Egret Boat Company, Miami, FL, USA
<b>DRAUGHT:</b> 18" (0.46m) static	<b>HAMILTON JET DISTRIBUTOR:</b> Sterling Marine Systems, Fort Lauderdale, FL, USA
<b>CONSTRUCTION:</b> Composites	
<b>SPEED:</b> 36 knots	

acceleration along with shallow draft capability at all boat speeds.

This boat winters in Key Largo, Florida, where it is used to commute between Miami and Ocean Reef, and summers in Nantucket, Massachusetts, where it is used for commuting, fishing and water sports.