



This way up – Twizzle takes a turn

■ Royal Huisman in The Netherlands has successfully completed its largest single piece lift-and-turn when the Alustar hull of the 57.5m flying bridge ketch *Twizzle* was rolled out from her shed and turned over in November. The hull was manoeuvred by four cranes, which then placed the upright hull on her build cradle where she will remain until completion in 2010.

'On behalf of the entire *Twizzle* design and build team, I would like to thank everyone at Royal Huisman for the wonderful and constructive way that everyone approaches the design and build of *Twizzle*,' said the owner, who was on hand to witness the event with guests. 'The last couple of days has been extremely constructive and has really pushed

forward the build. The superstructure is coming on really well and I was really pleased to see how much everybody enjoyed standing on the flying bridge and looking out over the beautiful shapes designed by Justin [Redman] and Redman Whiteley Dixon. We cannot wait to see the finished structure on top of the beautiful Dubois hull in January.

'We are in total awe at how professionally the hull was wheeled out of the shed, lifted in the air by four cranes, turned right side up and dropped into the build frame. We were absolutely thrilled to see the hull in all its glory rotate in front of our eyes rather like the wonderful computer 3D model. It was amazing to behold – a pure master class in how to run a complex operation.'

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