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Scout Boats Introduces New 231 XS for 2016

SUMMERVILLE, SC— Scout Boats, Inc. recently debuted the **all-new 231 XS Bay Boat**. The 231 is Scout's second XS model and compliments the already popular 251 XS.

"We wanted to create the best inshore / bay boat model in its class, and our 231 XS is just that, a hardcore fishing machine with performance that's unmatched," said Scout Boats CEO & Founder Steve Potts. "Smartly designed and packed with our innovation, this model has all the characteristics of a serious bay boat, as well as a proud bow and sexy, aggressive lines. Underneath is a high performance stepped hull, and with the 300 HP engine we had rigged on it at our dealer meeting, we achieved speeds in the mid 60's."

The bow area offers a large, unencumbered casting platform ideal for any angler. Ample storage sits below the casting platform, including lockable horizontal rod storage that's available both port and starboard. The rear casting platform houses a flush mounted fold-up/down rear deck seat, complete with backrest and seat cushion. There's also a forward console seat with backrest and cushion.

The standard leaning post can be upgraded to an optional curved-cushion high performance leaning post that secures two people at the helm more effectively at higher speeds. Standard upholstery on the model can be upgraded to either Brisa Cayenne or Brisa Heritage, offering the owner and crew two additional color choices with plush, durable fabric.

Beyond the lockable horizontal rod storage, the 231 also showcases vertical rod storage on both sides of the console, complete with a notched upper bracket that further secures and protects the rods while underway. There are also two stainless flush mount rod holders and four stainless dual purpose flush mount rod holders/cup holders.

Other notable standard fishing features include a starboard lighted, aerated bait well with high speed pick up, a lighted rear deck aerated/recirculating release well, and a trolling motor plug. Additional standard features on the model include a large console storage compartment, Fusion stereo with iPod jack, transom ladder, 6" jack plate, trim tabs, a 45-quart Yeti cooler and Sea Star hydraulic steering.

Optional features include forward seating backrest cushions, forward deck baseplate for butt-seat/extension, Porta Potti, Edson steering wheel, LED trim indicator switch, powder coated T-Top and Powerpole bracket mounts.

Scout builds sportfishing, fish 'n ski, walk around, flats and bay boat models ranging from 17' to 42'. Since its founding over 25 years ago, Scout Boat's goal has been to manufacture the best-built boats in its distinctive sportfishing niches. Each Scout hull is a true original, as the in-house research and design team works closely with engineering to take concepts from blueprint to production more efficiently, growing the company's world-class reputation for quality, strength, durability and value.

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For more information on Scout, visit **www.scoutboats.com**; or contact Mark Jerkins at TMR Creative, email: mark@tmrcreative.com; phone: 863.583.0081.

231 XS PRELIMINARY SPECIFICATIONS

Length	23' 1"
Beam	8' 6"
Deadrise	14 degrees
Draft (aprx)	12"
Outboard Shaft	25"
Fuel Capacity	60 gal
Dry Weight w/o engine (aprx)	2100 lbs
HP rating	300 hp
Fresh Water Tank Capacity	6 gal
Cockpit Bait Well	26 gal
Bow Bait Well	11 gal
Release Well	26 gal

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