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Conditions were fresh, with a strong ebb current, as America's Cup outfit Oracle Team USA trained on their AC72 near the Golden Gate Bridge. Turning downwind, however, the huge catamaran suddenly pitchpoled. 'When the nose went down, the wing hit and a few guys went in the water,' said tactician Tom Slingsby. No one was seriously hurt but the wing was destroyed. 'It's going to be a big test for this team. But this won't stop us winning the America's Cup,' said defiant skipper James Spithill.



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## Truly Classic range grows with 38m order

▶ Stepping up from a 27.4m Truly Classic 90, an owner has ordered what will be the largest Hoek Design Truly Classic model to date.

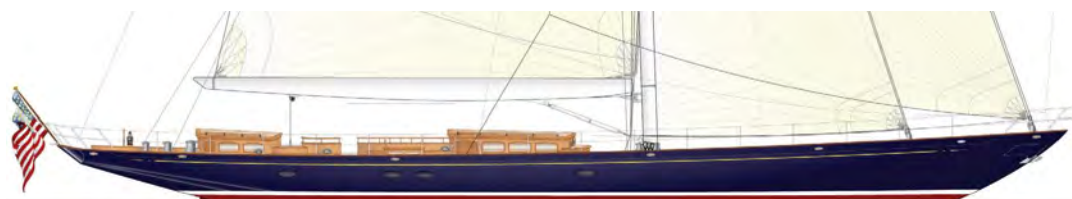
The 38.4m aluminium, sloop-rigged Truly Classic 126 will be built at the Claassen Shipyards and incorporate expertise from more than 90 Truly Classic designs. A ketch-rigged version will also be available.

Designed for racing as well as cruising and charter, her lightweight, optimised sail plan and carbon rigging add to her performance.

The yacht will have a classic interior design with white painted panels above the wainscot level and a fireplace in the lower saloon.

Unlike previous Truly Classics, the TC126 has an aft owner's suite

leading to a private deckhouse and aft cockpit. 'The lower saloon is connected to the owners' cabin, such that when the owners are on board without guests, they have almost half the boat on their own,' says founder Andre Hoek.



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