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MEDIA ALERT

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HEADLINE: Leading Queensland boat broker Spirit Marine to unveil the new Antares 9 version 2 at the 2025 Sanctuary Cove International Boatshow

Gold Coast, Queensland - Leading Queensland boat broker [Spirit Marine](#) will be unveiling the newly launched [Antares 9](#) version 2 from [Beneteau](#)'s iconic Antares line, at this year's [Sanctuary Cove International Boat Show \(SCIBS\)](#) to celebrate its release into the Australian market.

Designed for family cruising and water sports with friends, the Antares 9 version 2 embodies the spirit of the modern weekender and represents a significant upgrade on the earlier model; which is why Spirit Marine is choosing to showcase the new release at one of the Southern Hemisphere's most iconic boating lifestyle events held from May 22nd - May 25th.

Spirit Marine founder Peter Nicholson is looking forward to taking part in SCIBS due to its celebration of the boating lifestyle, feeling that it is the perfect fit for showcasing the Antares 9 version 2, as it appeals to the next generation of boaters targeted by the event.

"SCIBS is one of the highlights of the Australian boating calendar which is why we chose it to showcase the Antares 9 version 2, as it has an appeal for boaters looking for vessels that provide accessible coastal cruising," said Mr Nicholson.

"As one of Beneteau's leading partners in the Asia-Pacific region, Spirit Marine believes that SCIBS provides the ideal location to showcase one of the world's most iconic boating brands. Spirit Marine's team will be joined by representatives from Beneteau to showcase a selection of their range of yachts, sail boats and day vessels to the tens of thousands of people attending SCIBS and we are excited to be taking part in the event once again."

Spirit Marine is a leading Australian bespoke boat dealer with operations spanning Queensland, and is Beneteau's Queensland partner for their outboard power and sailboat ranges – including the highly successful Antares range which targets the cruiser market

The newly released Antares 9 version 2, marks a significant evolution in Beneteau's iconic Antares line, reinforcing the French builder's reputation for innovation in the compact cruiser market.

Designed for versatility, comfort, and performance, the Antares 9 version 2 blends the spirit of a family-friendly weekender with features typically found in larger vessels—such as a spacious saloon, two double cabins, and a fully equipped galley.

With a sleek, modern design and improved seakeeping capabilities, the Antares 9 version 2 positions Beneteau to appeal to a new generation of boaters looking for accessible coastal cruising without compromise, with upgraded 2 x 250hp Mercury Outboard Engines and joystick options providing a significant boost in power.

It also underscores the brand's ongoing commitment to balancing innovation with tradition in the fast-growing 8 to 10-metre segment.



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Exclusive Antares 9 version 2 cocktail event showcase at SCIBS:

Spirit Marine will be hosting an exclusive showcase of the vessel at the 2025 SCIBS for selected guests, along with Beneteau representatives as part of their activities around the event

WHAT: Exclusive showcase of the Antares 9 at the 2025 Sanctuary Cove International Boatshow (SCIBS)

WHO: Spirit Marine, the official Queensland distribution partner for Beneteau

WHEN: 16:30, Friday 23rd May 2025

WHERE: Spirit Marine exhibit at SCIBS

WHY: To showcase to Australian boating enthusiasts and media the latest addition to the Beneteau family, the Antares 9, a vessel targeting the new generation of boat buyer looking for the perfect coastal cruiser.

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About Spirit Marine: Headquartered right at the heart of Australia's recreational boating sector on Queensland's Gold Coast, [Spirit Marine](#) is one of the country's leading boutique brokers of both sailing and motorised vessels. It is the official Queensland distribution partner for the world's largest recreational boat builder [Groupe Beneteau](#), along with [Chaparral Boats](#), [Compass Boats](#), [Sunpower Yachts](#) and [Cruisers Yachts](#). It also distributes a select range of previously owned boats. Spirit Marines team are focused on providing outstanding service and knowledge and delivering great customer satisfaction and quality products.

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