



## Welcome to the July, 2015 Newsletter!

Welcome to the July Newsletter. I've been busy trying to keep the website up to date with the latest Stingers for sale. It seems like there's been a lot of Stingers coming up for sale in the past month. Specifically, I've seen a handful of early production (1982-1984) 390s for sale. Some of these are new to the registry. This brings the number of Stingers in the registry to 735.

The article for this month's newsletter is a personal story about how I became interested in, and how I came to own, a Stinger – I hope you enjoy it.

Until next month,  
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## Finding My Stinger

In 2009, I decided I wanted a boat. As a child, I had grown up in the Chicago area. But every summer my family would vacation on the gulf coast in Florida – Destin, Florida. I believe that's where I got my love for boats. Not sure what it was – maybe it was the open expanse of water that could take someone anywhere. Maybe it was just that I associated boats with vacations. But by 2009, I was finally able, and willing, to buy a boat of my own.

I had never owned a boat before. In

2009 I began binge watching the television series Miami Vice – that quintessential 80's TV show, which in the first season featured a really cool looking boat. My childhood spanned the 1980s – it was and is my favorite decade – music, movies, tv, fashion – the 80s had it. When I saw the boat on Miami Vice, I knew I wanted one.

The Internet is a great thing – I was able to figure out that the boat in the first season of Miami Vice was a Chris-Craft Stinger 390. From there I started looking for Stingers on eBay. There weren't too many of them around, and there were so many models! But after a while, I decided that I could afford, and possibly handle a 260.

The next few months were spent looking for a Stinger 260. I'd scour online postings, eBay, etc. I finally found one on the east coast – a 1984 260 named Breakaway. Asking price, \$16,000.

I was excited about the boat – but I had enough senses to get a surveyor to look at the boat. He went out to look at the boat – and called me to tell me he had serious reservations about the boat – not what I wanted to hear.

Really not what I wanted to hear – I decided to get a second surveyor to look at the boat. His survey was much more positive, even saying that the boat was worth more than

the asking price!

As luck would have it, I was going to be on the east coast for business. I went out a day early to get a test ride in the boat. I fell in love with that boat – and made an offer. The offer was accepted.

Buying a boat is a big decision. How was I going to get the boat back to Chicago, where was I going to keep it, how was I going to maintain it, how was I going to trailer it? All things I didn't need to worry about without a boat. So many things, in fact, that it can get overwhelming. Things one doesn't necessarily want to deal with – things that make one worry. But I've always believed that one has to push oneself to do things that might seem scary. Look – other people have figured it out. They all have started out from not knowing how to do things – eventually I would figure it out.

I started to put my plan together. I got a slip at Reefpoint Marina in Racine, WI. I would keep my boat on the water. I arranged to have the boat shipped to Racine.

I can remember waiting for the shipper at Racine – when he finally turned the corner I got a little nervous. The boat was bigger than I remembered!



The shipper put the boat in the water for me – and then it was all up to me. For the first time in my life, I had to pilot a boat. I had to get it from the launch to the slip. I started the engines, and went out onto Lake Michigan. The waves were pretty big that weekend, but the slip was not too far away. I got the boat into the slip, tied her up and took a deep breath. I finally had a Stinger!

Over the next three my family – which consisted of my wife and two young sons – had a blast on that boat. We'd go up to Racine on the weekends, work on the boat a little, and take it out onto Lake Michigan, swimming off of the boat itself. The memories we had during those times were some of the best ever.

My favorite experience with the boat was taking it up to Munising, MI. This would be the first time I trailed the boat – an 8 hour drive. We had it up for a week on Lake Superior. Everyday we'd go out on the lake – which was much calmer than Lake Michigan. We'd take it to various islands, or we'd go to the Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore. We had a blast.



While we had lots of fun with the Stinger, over the three years of

owning the boat I began to notice things. There was a crack on the deck – which just happened to line up with a dent on the top of the windshield – which happened to line up with the crack in the cuddy cabin door and a crack on the cockpit floor. Too much of a coincidence in my mind. Something had happened, but by the time I decided to contact the previous owner I could no longer get in touch with him.

The other problem was that the engines were never quite reliable enough. Sometimes we'd go all day without a problem. Other times one engine would just die when we were up on plane. Never felt really comfortable taking the boat too far away from shore.

There were little things that bothered me – changes that had been made to the boat. I wanted to get the boat back to its original, from factory condition. Seeing the non-factory changes bothered me each time.

Lastly, I wanted a bigger boat. 1-2 foot waves on Lake Michigan are a lot bigger when you are on the water. It was ok to take a 26' boat out on the lake in those conditions, but it wasn't fun. Anything above 2' waves and we wouldn't take the boat out.

Finally I decided that there was not enough time, nor money at that point to do what I really wanted – and I really wanted a larger boat. I decided to sell the boat. I wouldn't have enough money to buy a new one, but I'd keep my eyes open.

I learned a lot with that boat. I learned how to pilot a boat, how to trailer a boat. I learned that I should have listened to the first surveyor. I learned that I way overpaid for that boat. I learned not to fall in love with a boat before buying it. As I said – I learned a lot – and am grateful for it all.

In the end, that boat led me to starting this website. If I couldn't

buy a new Stinger, at least I'd learn as much about them as I could for the next time I could afford one. I would keep an eye out on all the Stingers out there to determine what one in good condition was like vs one that wasn't in such good condition. I'd learn what a good price for a Stinger was.



It's been over 5 years since I sold the Breakaway. Since then, I've learned a lot, and made some friends along the way.

Finally, in spring of 2014, I had the time and money to buy another Stinger. I found 1984 Stinger 312 – about as factory original as they come – in the Detroit area. I bought it. Being in the boat brought back a lot of memories – both good and bad! It's great to have a boat, but there's still a lot of work and responsibilities that come with it.



Last year I didn't get the 312 out – too much work to do to it before I could take it out on the water. Over the winter I had that work done, but there was more work in the spring. With the work complete, I was able to take the boat out on the water.

I've now had the boat out twice on Lake Michigan this year, and I can truly say it was worth the wait!

## Stingers for Sale

Below is a list of Stingers that have come up for sale during the previous month. The information for each boat in this section accompanied the owner's original advertisement. If you are interested in one of the boats please contact me at [ccstinger@gmail.com](mailto:ccstinger@gmail.com).



Model: 1988 260  
Location: Kingston, NY  
Asking Price: \$4,500

Boat Hull is pretty clean, Imron paint two years prior to me buying her in 2013 (per previous owner), set up for SBC twins and alpha drives, off- color repaint spot, stbd side above rub rail. DOES NOT INCLUDE ENGINES, but includes drives, bennet tabs, all cables, rigging and harnesses in place. has drop down bolsters with adjustable headrests, but the upholstery is SHOT. the top edges are all split from sun and exposure ( prior to me owning it), no back seat and no sunpad cushions. cabin cushions are intact and upholstery is good. through-hull exhaust and integral swim platform. Chris Craft also puts the HIN on the hull itself so you can run it with the platform removed. Includes Boatmaster aluminum double axle trailer, needs new brakes, tires good, 6 lug wheels. I'm open to offers and possible trades (work van?) ( big Blocks?). she needs some work but I also restore these and i know what a great boat she will be again, i just happen to own several Stingers and i need to let one or two go.



Model: 1979 Excalibur 310  
Location: Buffalo, NY  
Asking Price: \$7,500

I HAVE THE BARE HULL WITH TRAILER TRI AXEL AND NEW INTERIOR STILL HAS FOUNTAIN WING ON IT ASKING 7500.



Model: 1982 260  
Location: Waukegan, IL  
Asking Price: \$21,000

For Sale: DIXIE NORMOUS  
1982 Chris Craft 260 Stinger Built in 1982 in Bradenton, Florida I purchased this Boat in June 2009. This boat had a scratch and/or a ding here and there yet ran and drove quite well. I'm in my mid 70's and have been a boat person all my life, and I might add that I operated a full service boat company for several years. I'm quite capable of handling any mechanical, wood or fiberglass challenges. I'm retired and I have time on my hands, so I applied myself and brought this boat up to my standards. I also have many friends in the boat business so there's very little I or they can't handle. This boat has twin 260HP, 350cu/in engines with Alpha One outdrives. It has a Teak swim platform as wells a 3 blade stainless props. I repaired the dings and scratches on the hull, prepped then painted the hull. I used the original colors for the base cote then clear coated it. Over the years I made several changes (they're listed below) because I had the ability, time and finances. I've always used Mobil 1 15/50 in the engines along with Merc oil filters. All the parts and upgrades I have used on this boat were from Mercrusier. At present the exterior of this boat is as new as are all the cushions and seats. I never got to the cabin which could use some updating. Upgrades and Enhancements that I have done to this boat. Paint entire exterior using original colors. 2010 Recovered and replaced the foam in all cushions and seats 2010 Installed remote oil filter up grade (for easy access.) 2010 Installed new exhaust manifolds & risers (center type risers.) 2011 Installed



through the transom exhaust system (using 4" polished stainless) 2011 Complete ignition upgrade to Thunderbolt IV 2011 All new shift and throttle cables 2012 New Quicksilver controls 2012 Install onboard marine battery charger 2013 Install new trim and tilt sensors 2013 Complete Drive service on both drives 2014 Rebuild both Carbs. 2014 Installed new pedestals on front seats Added batteries (boat now has 4 batteries.) Installed battery quick disconnect switches Installed crossover switches for emergency starting



Model: 1982 312  
Location: Destin, FL  
Asking Price: \$7,500

This is a classic example of Murray Boat (aka Chris Craft) 80's version of the sport 'cigarette'. This boat is all original. . .twin Mercruiser 300HP (454 cid) V8's, with pre TRS outdrives that are known to be all but bulletproof, velvet drive transmission (still goes in an out of gear like butter) and all original instrument panel, original cleaver props. Teak is in excellent condition. Does not have through hull exhaust so no waking the world when you cruise, can hear the whine of those big V-8's instead. . .a beautiful noise for those that appreciate a big blocks in sync. No serious dings or cracks, paint is in good condition. Engines had a partial top end overhaul in 2010; new risers, alternators, seawater pumps, refreshed oil pan's, refurbished cooling plumbing and new water distribution manifold plus NEW transom. Now for the 'others', last time the boat ran was in 2010 during the poker run and haven't had it in the waters since. Port engine has a outdrive lift leak. Stbd engine has an electrical problem that needs troubleshooting. Engines ran fine for the poker run, electrical issue is causing it not to crank. Trailer is in fair condition goes with boat in sale. Original Chris Craft emblems are mostly in good shape, some have corrosion. Interior flooring is new with rebuilt steps. Original interior other than that. Overall this boat is sound, will need some work, but if you appreciate a classic it is a labor of love. Engines are completely original and ran smooth in 2010. Selling because I dont' have a truck anymore and no time to work on it anymore, this is a classic boat and hard to find one in overall this good condition. If I were to prioritize work to get on the water, troubleshoot electrical issue on stb engine (I have pics of where I think the problem is), fix port engine trim, tune up and carb rebuild. . .start and push the throttles forward! Additional photo's for serious inquiries, I have tons of pics that highlight every inch of the boat. Price is reasonable for such a rare find!



Model: 1982 312  
Location: Monroe, MI  
Asking Price: \$13,500

1982 312 Chris Craft Stinger, twin 454's 330hp each, trs drives. Boat's in decent shape, we put about 4K in the engines in 2011, all new gaskets, hardware, cast aluminum headers, exhaust tips, valve job. Gages are liquid filled about 5 years old. Trailer is aluminum I-Beam, all stainless hardware and disc brakes. The main problem is the gas tank developed a slow leak and needs to be repaired. It's a 150 gallon under the deck tank. Distributors have Pertronix electronic ignitions installed.



**Model: 1982 312**  
**Location: Colfax (Sacramento), CA**  
**Asking Price: \$25,000**

Selling my 35 foot Go Fast Boat 1982 Chris Craft Stinger 312 SL. TWIN Engines! Reliable, low hour (under 140 hrs) fuel Injected Mercruiser 502 engines (about 500 hp each). Well cared for and in incredible condition New Interior, just re-done in blue and white with Eddie Marine Billet Aluminum Seat Bolsters! I have moved and don't have the desire to store it and with new twin boys, we not use it much. Its time for someone else to enjoy her. 3 sets of props (mirage 25p and 27p, 25p cleavers) Triple axle trailer, just serviced. Just under 80 mph on GPS. \$25,000 Serious only and absolutely NO SOLICITORS!



**Model: 1983 312**  
**Location: Lake Leelanau, MI**  
**Asking Price: \$7,500**

Just a shell, with interior. 1983 31' Chris-Craft 312 with \$3000 trailer Hull in good condition, HAVE TRS DRIVES, Velvet 1:1 transmissions Also. Needs engine



**Model: 1984 260**  
**Location: Mims, FL**  
**Asking Price: \$4,800**

For Sale is this 1984 26' Chris Craft Stinger Boat and Trailer. Boat has been parked for 5yr. Trailer is included. Boat is one of the highest performing hulls ever built by Chris Craft. Twin 260hp engines. As Is Condition.



**Model: 1984 390**  
**Location: La Mirada, CA**  
**Asking Price: \$55,000**

One of the finest 390s in existence, particularly in the rare beige/brown/yellow/orange color scheme. All original engines and out-drives; right down to the clever props! Also original hardware, color, stereo, refrigerator, gauges and graphics. Still tops out at 60mph with light load. Engines recently rebuilt.



**Model: 1985 260**  
**Location: Knoxville, TN**  
**Asking Price: \$18,995**

Here is your chance to own one of the most legendary boats in the history of offshore. This is the 26' version of the Chris Craft Stinger. This particular model is the 260 SL limited. This features upgraded graphics and interior treatments as well as the iconic radar arch. This boat was repowered with completely rebuilt 1994 Mercruiser 5.7 (350) EFI engines in 2005. Get the look and performance of the classic twin engine V-8 offshore boat with the efficiency and reliability of modern electronic fuel injection (throttle body fuel Injection for you techies). Sorry, no accurate reading on the hour meters, but again the engines were completely (Crank, pistons, heads, etc...) rebuilt in 2005. This boat fires up every time, gives great performance, with a smooth ride that most new boats can't match.



**Model: 1985 312**  
**Location: Edmonds, WA**  
**Asking Price: \$29,500**

Stinger 312 for sale with a brand new triple axle aluminum trailer, Merlin 540ci engines, TRS drives and new upholstery a few years ago.



**Model: 1985 314**  
**Location: St Marks, FL**  
**Asking Price: \$21,000**

1985 Chris-Craft Stinger 314 S. Twin Yamaha 225's with 500 hrs. Just completed 100 hr maintenance. Includes Garmin GPSMAP 720s, Clarion AM/FM/CD Stereo, Uniden VHF marine radio with new antenna, full canvas boat cover, trim tabs, fuel management system, new Carling rocker switch panel. Classic boat in great shape!



**Model: 1985 390**  
**Location: St Clair Shores, MI**  
**Asking Price: \$27,500**

1985 Chris Craft Stinger 39'. This is the original Miami Vice boat. 2 - 465hp 502ci Mercruiser engines with Gil Exhaust (these were bought as brand new dropins from Mercruiser) approximately 400 hours on both TRS Drives Hydraulic trim tabs 4 Blade stainless props (A perfectly matched prop for the boat) cruise 35 top speed 56-60 Drives were gone through last season Interior professionally redone at the beginning of this season Brand new 3m scotchprint vinyl wrap done at the beginning of the season Brand new sound system installed at the beginning of this season (not cheap junk either) Comes with a boat slip at emerald city marina for the remainder of the season The boat is currently in the water and used every weekend. Test rides available for serious buyers. This is a turn key boat that needs nothing to use daily. The boat cuts the water and is super smooth even when the water is choppy. There are no problems with getting the boat on plane either, and is one of the best smoothest offshores I've ever been on.



**Model: 1986 222**  
**Location: Port Carling, ON, Canada**  
**Asking Price: \$15,500**

immaculate, stored inside and as original as possible 22' Chris craft Stinger 222 center console powerboat. 30 hours on rebuilt small block merc engine done by Rudy Held performance, 10.1 flat top pistons, aluminum heads and intake, 750cfm holly, MSD ignition system, marine cam with 272 duration, roller rockers, chrome dress up kit. rebuilt out-drive with 19" Stainless prop (spare included), runs out at 58mph. Length 22'2". Beam 94". Power hatch with mirrored panels in engine compartment. seats 3 up front and 2 at rear. Has new custom made 65gal fuel tank. excellent on gas and a "must see eye catcher". Custom tandem axle matching trailer, led lites. **SERIOUS INQUIRIES ONLY.**



**Model: 1986 260**  
**Location: Knoxville, TN**  
**Asking Price: \$9,750**

This is a rock-solid all fiberglass 1986 26' Chris Craft Stinger LTD with a great trailer! It is a bit of a project, but not an insurmountable one. This boat features twin 260 hp Mercruisers with outdrives, drop down bolsters, power trim tabs, V-berths, a radar arch (not installed in the pictures but I have it), and a nice built-in swim platform. The boat was on a lift and swamped in a storm a few years ago, so the engines were removed and completely rebuilt by a professional mechanic. It has all new exhaust manifolds. The engines and drives now need to be reinstalled, but the motors have zero hours on them. The upholstery is original and complete, but is weathered. The carpet in the interior needs to be replaced. The hull needs to be polished, but, like I said, it is very solid with no soft spots in the flooring at all. The trailer is a galvanized Wesco tandem axle with brakes on both axles. This trailer is heavy duty and makes other boat trailers look like toys! The trailer itself is worth at least \$5000. I know, because I looked for one endlessly until I found this one! This is great looking, solid boat that is the perfect size for our area lakes. With a little work you can have something special for a bargain price. It has been stored inside my garage for several years which is why it is so dusty in the pictures. It is now stored under cover on its trailer. I will consider all trades, especially for old cars and/or motorcycles or later model heavy-duty pickups or vans.



**Model: 1986 312**  
**Location: Indianapolis, IN**  
**Asking Price: \$17,000**

1986 Chris-Craft 312 Stinger. Twin 454 Mercruisers 420 HP each, new starboard side engine with 7 hrs, port side 600 hrs but not running. TRS drives with new props. Older repaint & upholstery, 1200 watt inverter in cabin with 110 volt outlets, small sink, refrigerator, porta potty. Very roomy cabin that can sleep 5 if needed, 4 very comfortably. Everything works as should in cabin, CD player with 2 speakers in cabin & 2 outside. Road cover, cockpit cover, bimini top. Shore power hook up, a very solid boat for the year. I removed the arch & still have it. Trailer included. Motivated seller, make offer. \$17,000. OBO.



Model: 1987 222  
Location: Manahawkin, NJ  
Asking Price: \$2,500

Selling a 1987 Chris Craft Stinger 222. This is part of an Estate. Boat has been covered on a trailer for over 10 years. As pics show the interior needs to be replaced. Hull, stingers and fiberglass all seem to be in great condition. The motor has work done but not sure what( High rise, Holley double pumper, probably cam). The motor is LOCKED UP. I have the outdrive, just didn't hang on boat. Trailer is included, however am not able to find paperwork for it. Have title for boat.



Model: 1987 312  
Location: Salem, VA  
Asking Price: \$25,000

For Sale is a Designer Series Chris Craft Fittipaldi Equipe Stinger. It has Twin 454 Mercruiser engines with 365 hrs on one and 359 hrs on other. Has Alpha One Out drives and 14x25 Solas props. It's 37ft. Trailer was custom built by Roadrunner Trailers of Texas. Feel free to e-mail or phone me with any questions. Thanks' for looking. Here is some info about this Boat..This is the Boat that was in the Movie " Tequila Sunrise (1988)" The yellow stripe was added after the movie. It was bought from the producer of the movie. Also, it cost over 60K new.



Model: 1987 312  
Location: Stafford, VA  
Asking Price: \$13,500

Estate Sale -My late father's pride and joy is now for sale. This 1987 31.5' Chris Craft Scorpion is being sold along with the 3 axle Load Rite trailer. I enjoyed many years on the Potomac River with my Dad and although his "Great Escape V" had been the envy of many it has now sat winterized, garage kept and in recent years stored at my residence. I am not a boater by nature and it is time to let that piece of my Dad and his life go while holding onto the memories. This was a Documented vessel "Certificate of Documentation" and after his passing in March 2011 was not renewed and expired July 31, 2011. The Vessel Name: The Great Escape V, Length: 31.5 Breadth: 8.0 Depth: 5.5 The Load Rite trailer is a 1989 3 axles with a Gross Weight: 15,600 This 31.5' Chris Craft Scorpion Sport Cruiser with radar arch and canvas cock pit cover has been kept out of the water for several years now, the exterior paint is sun faded but in excellent condition. The interior is in great condition and can be brought back to excellent condition with a little TLC and elbow grease. This sale includes two 7.4 cubic inch 454 MerCruiser motors, 1 has a blown head gasket. The Load Rite trailer has cradled this boat for several years, we are now looking for a boating enthusiast to bring this duo back to the waterways where they belong.



**Model:** 1987 314  
**Location:** Doylestown, PA  
**Asking Price:** \$13,600

1987 Chris Craft Stinger Custom Rebuild 2014 36' total Length w/SS Armstrong Racing Bracket Powered By Total Fresh Rebuild 2014 Twin Johnson 225 Horse Power 2 Strokes with SS Props Custom Race Transom Stainless Steel Plate and Custom Stainless Steel Armstrong Race Bracket Dual Ram Sea Star Steering Rams with Stainless Steel Tie Bar Mercury Racing Ratcheted Controls with Extreme Cables Dual Ram Lenco Trim Tabs with LED Operate Custom Large Off Shore Custom Trim Tabs 3 battery system with pro charging automatic battery charger AC/DC with 3 OT wiring all custom Furuno 1850 GPS/Fish Finder With New Antenna Basic Marine Radio Basic CD/Radio with waterproof speakers Boat Runs Great Professionally Maintained By Shermans Yacht Basin Bricktown NJ Any Technical Questions You Can Call Rob Flynn at Marina This Boat was Over Built to Handle Any Kind Of Seas!!! Extremely Fuel Efficient with Two Stroke and Very Nimble Boat Length 36' Boat Beam 8"6" Weight with Fuel 13,000lbs Top Speed 55MPH



**Model:** 1987 390  
**Location:** Hilton Head Island, SC  
**Asking Price:** \$49,900

1987 Chris Craft Stinger 42ft. Mercruiser twin 496 engines, Myco trailer, deck awning, head, 3 batteries and fiberglass hull. We purchased the boat as a hull then totally restored it about 10 years ago. About 6 years ago we installed two new 496 magnum merc cruiser engines with currently about 200 miles. We rewired the entire boat about 3 years ago. This season we replaced the manifolds So the boat has been maintained and is in good working order I would characterize the finishes of the boat as "worn around the edges" but as hinges and snaps corrode we replace them The boat has a working head & shower Galley/ microwave/ref/sink TV stereo/cd/sat system/ ipod dock deck compass GPS



**Model:** 1988 202  
**Location:** Rochester, NY  
**Asking Price:** \$8,000

I have a super rare 88' chris craft stinger 202 for sale. It has 165 hours on the hull. This boat is like brand new. I literally just finished it. This is the coolest fiberglass speed boat that Chris Craft ever made and was made for the Miami Vice tv series. They were built in very limited quantities and there are only a handful of these left. There is a website dedicated to them, I know of no other boats that have a cult following. I built this one to be better than it was originally. It is an attention grabber. I get compliments on it wherever I am and have had numerous offers on it even before I restored it. I'm selling it because I'm getting married and need the money. I just put well over \$7500 into it this summer alone and have well over 12K into it total. I had planned on using it but sadly it needs to go. Weddings are insanely expensive and I'm finding out the hard way. I replaced the motor and outdrive. It has an OMC 4.3L v-6 and an OMC cobra outdrive. Next, I gutted the boat completely and installed new marine ply, fiberglass, carpet, custom built seats and engine cover and had everything professionally upholstered. I installed a new GT steering wheel, a Sony marine cd/mp3/satellite radio which sounds awesome, a new bilge pump, new fuel lines, new aluminum swivel/slider/adjustable height seat posts and new Tracker style folding seats. The interior work cost over \$4K alone but was well worth it. It came out awesome. I had a 4bbl. Rochester carb installed which brings the HP up to 205 and will do over 60MPH. I had the pin striping re-done on the boat and matching Shorelandr trailer. I replaced the tires, lights, and started to strip and repaint the entire trailer. It also has a new deep cycle battery. There are 2 swim platforms molded into the stern that have teak foot boards and they were also refinished and look great. I also just purchased a new trailerable cover for it. I even just filled the tank with ethanol free 93 octane fuel. I'm probably forgetting a lot. If you're interested you must include the words eighty-eight chris craft to get a response due to spammers. I know it's the wrong time of the year to sell a boat and I could get more for it this spring

which is why I priced it where it is. It is well worth the money. Chris craft builds the very best boats around and this one is better than new.



**Model: 1988 260**  
**Location: Port Washington, WI**  
**Asking Price: \$6,500**

1988 Chris Craft Stinger Project If you like it fast and loud this is the project for you. 26.5 ft Chris Craft Stinger with all the parts to put this back together and get it running are included, except for one gimbal unit and a few small parts. Cockpit will need to be redone. The cabin is in fine shape. It has a swim platform and a radar arch. It does need some tlc and the bottom painted. Tandem axle trailer with surge brakes, can be towed anywhere. The 5.7 Mercruiser engines have been removed to replace the gimbals. Starboard 260 hp motor has been rebuilt three years ago and has less than two hours running time. The port 270 hp motor has been rebuilt a few years back with low hours on it. Both alpha drives with props are included. One gimbal has been purchased and another will be required. The steering system was recently been rebuilt with a replacement hydraulic steering cylinder and cable. A bimini top is also included. I have over \$13,000 in this project and have lost interest. This a bargain at \$6,500 Still in storage and will be out April 1



**Model: 1988 311**  
**Location: La Mesa, CA**  
**Asking Price: \$27,500**

31 FEET LONG CENTER CONSOLE FISHING BOAT SOLID HULL IN GREAT SHAPE NO CRACKS BLEMISHES OR SOFT SPOTS, NONE LIKE IT, BRAND NEW CUSHIONS, BRAND NEW WIRING BATTERIES SWITCHES GAUGES FUSES FRESH BOTTOM PAINT. TRIPLE AXLE ALUMINUM TRAILER VERY LIGHT STURDY. TWO YAMAHA 200HP OUTBOARDS FULLY SERVICED TOP TO BOTTOM STAINLESS STEEL PROPS hull trailer and motors all 1988.



**Model: 1988 312 Fittipaldi**  
**Location: Chesterfield Township, MI**  
**Asking Price: \$23,000**

1988 Stinger 312 Fittipaldi Equipe. 34 foot bow to stern. Twin normally aspirated GEN V 502 HO's(Casting # 14096859) and Bravo Ones. I just had the port side Gimbal Ring replaced with OEM Merc parts and installed by a Merc certified shop, Dynamic Speed and Marine last summer. Both outdrives have new trim sensors, exhaust boots, seals, drive oil and paint. The out drives have not yet seen water since rebuild. I have the Survey and Sea trial paperwork when I bought it a year and a half ago. The rear seat has been re fitted. The mooring cover needs to be replaced but I still use the old one. The paint has had to many buff jobs with to much rubbing compounds so the clear coat is tough. aside of a couple chips she looks good and is sea worthy. 6 new tires and a new spare with baring buddies.



**Model: 1988 313**  
**Location: Benton, KY**  
**Asking Price: \$28,000**

1988 Chris Craft Stinger 313 with trailer! Gorgeous Classic boat! 1988 313 Stinger Length 31'6"/9.60m Beam 8'0"/2.44m Weight 4260 lbs/1936 kg Fuel Capacity 180 gals/681. It is a 1988 Chris Craft Stinger 313. Center console off shore boat with twin 2006 250 Evinrude Saltwater Series E Tec engines and stainless steel four blade propellers. Engines have 141 hours on them. Boat comes with Bimini Top, Custom Console and Cockpit enclosure, Custom full boat cover and interior cushions redone in 2012. There is a Cuddy Cabin V berth with a porta potty. The boat is equipped with a rotating spotlight, VHF radio, Raymarine E120 multi-function screen with sonar module, ICommand instrumentation for eTec with fuel flow gauges, 6 speaker stereo with booster amp, live wells and bait wells, tackle chest in center console, ski tow bar, flag and light staff and boarding ladder. A triple axle aluminum trailer with torsion axle and disc brakes redone in 2010 and 2 spare wheels and tires. This is a gorgeous boat that will do you proud pulling in anywhere! Really gets the looks and so much fun to handle!



**Model: 1987 202**  
**Location: Ballston Spa, NY**  
**Asking Price: \$3,400**

chris craft stinger 20foot v6 omc king cobra drive ss/prop morning cover .with trailer has new tires lights road ready. water ready.. runs great clean title in hand.. 631/903-9994



**Model: 1987 202**  
**Location: Nyack, NY**  
**Asking Price: \$6,900**

Gorgeous Stinger 202 Offshore Power Boat type hull Center Steering position No expense spared interior restoration just completed in April Original 4.3L V6 Mercruiser replaced with 5.0L V8 Mercruiser--this thing moves Comes with 10 year old trailer in great shape Currently in slip on the Hudson--possibility of including the slip with the boat.



**Model: 1987 312**  
**Location: Harrison Township, MI**  
**Asking Price: \$19,700**

BAD ASS BOAT TRADE FOR FORD 4X4 TRUCK CREW CAB PREF LARIAT BOAT COMES WITH 2006 36 FT CLASSIC ALUM TRAILER. TWIN 454 MAGNUMS 3 SETS OF COVERS, FULL CANVAS NEW REMOTE SPOT LIGHT EXCELLENT CONDITION. IDONT NEED NO ONE TO SELL BOAT PERIOD . NEW CONTROL BOX MANY EXTRAS



**Model: 1983 390**  
**Location: Trenton, NJ**  
**Asking Price: \$39,900**

This boat must be seen to be appreciated! ... this model, the STINGER - was made very popular as it was featured in the very first season of the MIAMI VICE series in the 80's Dependable and Safe - Conservative 75+ MPH TOP SPEED and 50 MPH @ 3500 RPM Cruise Boat was originally built in 1983 before Murray take over, and has NOTCHED TRANSOM. This boat is in PERFECT condition and has always been well maintained as shown in the pictures below - You will not find a nicer example!!! 10 HOURS ON TWIN BALANCED AND BLUEPRINTED 454 (.60 OVER) 620 HP BLOWN CHEVY MOTORS B&M 250 BLOWERS WITH TWIN 850 CFM NICKERSON CARBS STELLINGS STAINLESS STEEL HEADERS (ELECTRIC AND PLUMBING SET UP FOR CMI MUFFLERS WITH AIR ACTUATION) MOTOR PARTS INCLUDE: EAGLE FORGED CRANKS EAGLE FORGED CONNECTING RODS CRANE HYDRAULIC ROLLER CAM CRANE ROLLER ROCKERS JE PISTONS CANTON HIGH CAP OIL PAN BILLET ALUMINUM OVAL FLAME ARRESTOR ALUMINUM TIMING COVER ALUMINUM VALVE COVERS MERCURY THUNDERBOLT IGNITION FLUID DAMPER BALANCER HARDWARE INCLUDES: ARP ENGINE FASTENERS SS BRAIDED FUEL LINES COMPLETELY RIGGED WITH STAINLESS STEEL FASTENERS THROUGHOUT ENTIRE BOAT Boat was repainted in 1992' with new single piece electric actuated lightweight engine hatch to facilitate easy access to engine compartment - and still has padded sun deck) ADDITIONAL UPGRADES INCLUDE: COCKPIT RE-UPHOLSTERED IN 1998 FRESH TRS DRIVES IN 2000 WITH BROVO 1 SS 4 BLADE PROPS FRESH BORG WARNER TRANSMISSIONS W/ HEAVY DUTY CLUTCH PLATES 2000 HYNAUTIC HYDRAULIC ASSISTED STEERING WITH MERCURY PRIORITY STEERING VALVE (which means boat will have power steering with either motor running) KEIKAFAER TRIM TABS NEW MERCURY HIGH PERFORMANCE KEIKAFAER POWER TRIM AND TAB PUMPS NORDSKOG SPEEDOMETER AND AUTOMETER GAUGES NEW FULL COCKPIT COVER AND FULL CANVAS WINTER COVER INCLUDED The following items are also available to the new owner: TWO TRS PARTS DRIVES - ONE SPARE TRANSMISSION - ALSO..... BEAUTIFUL MYCO TRIPLE AXLE TRAILER WITH TORSION SUSPENSION AND SS DISK BRAKES available for an additional \$9500.00!- (This trailer has been totally rebuilt and painted yellow in 2002' adding a full drive guard and top rail bridging.) Buyers are welcome to survey or inspection with appointment. The boat is kept indoors (out of the weather) in a private warehouse near Trenton NJ and is approximately 45 minutes from the Philadelphia International Airport.



**Model: 1984 260**  
**Location: Buffalo, NY**  
**Asking Price: \$8,500**

1984 Chris Craft Stinger 260 in excellent condition. Twin 350 Mags upgraded from 260 to 325 hp each (650 total hp). SS props and trim tabs. Runs excellent and has 0 mechanical issues, excellent stability and ride, very quick to plane. No tears or rips in interior, custom canvas weather cover, winterized and stored indoors. Awesome boat for little money. Viewing by appointment.



Model: 1985 312  
Location: LaSalle, MI  
Asking Price: \$30,000

Beautiful sharp boat Fresh engine New paint job 454 stroke



Model: 1986 222  
Location: Grattan, MI  
Asking Price: \$6,000

For sale is my 86 Chris craft stinger 222 . the boat has a rebuilt 350 in it with 5 hours on it. It also has new belows new bilge pump and gimble bearing . it has been wet sanded and cleared coated so its not faded the boat looks and runs awesome any questions feel free to ask



Model: 1987 202  
Location: Edgewater, FL  
Asking Price: \$6,000

My Baby Must Go I'm Selling My Chris Craft 202 Stinger ( Cigarette Boat ) ~ This Boat Is Rare Only 1 Year Built And Super Fast Be The Envy Of Your Friends It's Definately A Head Turner The Trailer Is Included Need Gone ASAP Serious Buyers Only Please Clean Florida Title In Hand !!!! Bring Your Cash Offers ( can accept cc or paypal ).



Model: 1987 202  
Location: Mora, MN  
Asking Price: \$6,500

I have a 1987 Chris craft stinger 202 I'd like to sell I had a new rebuilt motor a new prop and the lower unit checked over last year and also new interior I can't seem to get it running right really nice looking cigarette boat shoot me a offer thanks 6/1/2015: 1987 Chris Craft Stinger 202 21 FT , new 5.7 350 engine, OMC cobra out drive rebuilt , new interior clean boat tandem axle trailer included asking \$6,500



**Model: 1985 312**  
**Location: King's Park, NY**  
**Asking Price: \$18,500**

Selling a mint Chris Craft Stinger 312. Twin 454 counter rotating FWC big blocks, 2 years old. TRS drives just redone, SS4 blades and a set of SS 3 blades. 2 rebuilt BW trans this Spring. Full mooring/trailing cover. Full Bimini canvas. Interior is like new! Custom triple axle float on trailer, dipped and metalized! New tires, springs and hardware. Full spare! This boat does 68mph! No expense ever spared! Selling only because bought a bigger one! Sea trial with a deposit only! Phone calls only!



**Model: 1984 312**  
**Location: Vancouver, BC, Canada**  
**Asking Price: \$18,800**

32 foot cigarette style off shore boat. New hi performance 454 motors gill exhaust with stainless pipes. Stainless props tie bar counter rotating drives. Incredible rough water boat Triaxle trailer with new led lights,brakes,and bearings. Own a " Miami Vice Legend." Other smaller off shore boats available. may accept interesting trade For more information please email with phone number Thanks



**Model: 1985 312**  
**Location: Helgeroa, Norway**  
**Asking Price: 335,000 fi**

Will now sell my classic powerboat most dreamed in the 80s, Chris Craft 312. The boat is lavish lots, unique boat man "never" encounter at sea. Under the hydraulic motor hatch is paneling in stainless with 10cm canceling sits mounted one of Mercruiser's most faithful diesel engines in it, a durable V8 diesel with running time of 400 hours from 99 Which is surprisingly strong and feels comfortable with Bravo 3 from 2010, the boat did reach 40GPS Knots but still 300-500omdr too much so certain you want so you can bring out some knots Extra with another propeller setup. Outside, the boat pulled up in exactly the original interior that was made by a cabinetmaker From Arendal. Most of the electric is new and fresh batteries 2stk year which is connected by a C-tek charger. Inside the boat completely original to here can certainly make upgrades but as long as it's relatively quite yet in original condition I have chosen to keep it that way. The boat also got brand new harbor canopy far this year. Much writing about the boat so call either for more info. Substitution can take the car or boat up to 150 000



**Model: 1987 202**  
**Location: Haverhill, MA**  
**Asking Price: \$1,500**

PRICE REDUCED 1500.00 FIRM Priced to go today !! 1987 Chris Craft 202 Stinger. V6 Chevy, OMC outdrive, all new gauges, Hull and Floors are Solid could use a good waxing or a coat of paint above the rails. Gauges still need a little wiring to complete. This boat has been yard run for the last 4 years, but has not been in the water for the last 11 or 12 years. It is a 3 seater with a sun deck on the back. It is like a small offshore racer, great for tubing or skiing. Comes with the Trailer. Last registration was New Hampshire and will be sold with a transfer of Registration and Bill of Sale. The boat has not been Titled in Massachusetts so that will be up to the new owner. Boat starts first time every time, sounds awesome. I just do not have time for it anymore, to

many projects and the wife wants me to get rid of some....THIS LISTING WILL BE REMOVED AS SOON AS IT IS SOLD. SO IF THIS IS STILL LISTED, IT IS STILL FOR SALE !! I will consider trades, looking for a Ford Ranger 4x4 with or w/o plow, motor cycle, 4 wheeler, tractor, Granite Counters installed in my house, ect



**Model:** 1988 260

**Location:** Conflans Sainte Honorine (78), Yvelines , France

**Asking Price:** €35,000

Beautiful offshore: model of Chris craft very rare in this State! 8.05 \* 2.35 - 2 \* 260 HP Mercruiser - bolster - large rear Sun - beautiful new saddlery cream bath - new boat (boat cover and cover) - engines-2010 tjs hivernes and revised (tracks invoices to support) - - 2013 antifouling - . has been revised for the 2015 season. change of anodes, exhaust blowers, free exhaust y (two positions) - exhaust pivots.



**Model:** 1987 314

**Location:** CT

**Asking Price:** \$19,999

New interior and custom fabricated sundeck. 1999 Mercury 250 HP EFI outboards, Aluminum I-beam triple axle trailer.



**Model:** 1984 390

**Location:** Houston, TX

**Asking Price:**

This boat was purchased back in 1998 I believe in Missouri. It was named "Tripindicular".My family enjoyed the boat for several years, then my father had to replace one of the outdrives. Which has very low hours on it since being replaced. The boat has always been trailered, and not sitting in the water. Unfortunately the boat has sat out in the elements the last few years and shows it. The interior has remained closed up, the cockpit upholstery is mostly deteriorated beyond repair. The motors were running fine when last run, which has been several years now. My father wants to sale this boat as he doesn't have time or interest in restoring. Would make a great project boat, or worst case scenario a good parts boat for another owner.



**Model:** 1984 390

**Location:** Bloomington, IL

**Asking Price:**

1984 Chris Craft 390 Stinger and triple axle trailer for sale. Twin 500 hp Chevy big blocks, Borg Warner transmissions and TRS outdrives. One pair of 21p Mercury Quicksilver props, and one pair of 23p Mercury Quicksilver props. Spare tire for the trailer. Includes two 20lb Danforth anchors, shore power cord, throwable flotation devices and life vests. This is the classic offshore boat as seen on Miami Vice, and the 390 Stingers are rapidly becoming collector's items. This boat's construction makes it one of the best rides on the water, smooth and stable at any speed in any open water condition. At 31 years of age, the boat is still wearing it's factory colors and vinyl, although as seen in the photos the vinyl / paint is ready for some updating. The flat surfaces of the boat's paint have faded, although the hull has survived well, with some fading in the usual areas. The boat has not seen the water in 10 years, instead sitting inside in a climate controlled storage facility. It ran and performed well when last used, but a series of life



events forced me to store the boat rather than use it, and it now needs a little more time / TLC than I can afford to give it. Here's my evaluation of what would be needed: The motors were spun over frequently during storage, but not run. They will need carburetor cleaning and tuning, oil changed, etc. They were dyno'ed at 500 hp, have aluminum heads, hi rise intakes and Holley 750s. Trs outdrives were in excellent working order when last used, but I noticed stress cracks on the port outdrive, and I have removed it to be repaired. The repaired outdrive and any spare parts will be included with the auction. The skeg on the starboard has some pitting and wear commensurate with its age. The cockpit seating and sunpad vinyl will need to be redone in order to make this a daily user that shows well. (the vertical stuff is in good shape, horizontal surfaces are faded and ripped.) The interior upholstery was redone in 2000, and is still in great shape with no rips, stains or tears. The jump seats seats mid cabin are like new, the refrigerator worked well but the pump out head has long ago been replaced with a port-a-pottie. I absolutely will guarantee this boat to be seaworthy. There are no cracks or damage to the hull anywhere, it is as solid as any boat ever made. I laid on my back on a creeper to wash and wax the bottom of the hull (on many occasions), so I am quite comfortable saying that. The trailer is custom and has (3) 6000 lb axles with electric brakes. I am happy to answer any questions about the boat, and have a few more picture upon request. Delivery of the boat can be arranged at an additional fee outside of the auction price.



**Model: 1988 312 Fittipaldi**  
**Location: Binghamton, NY**  
**Asking Price: \$600**

Chris Craft 312 Stinger for sale \$600. Good hull. No motors, no drive's, no trailer. I do have some of the part's from thus boat for sale also. Binghamton NY.



**Model: 1984 390**  
**Location: Harrison Township, MI**  
**Asking Price: \$27,000**

1984 Chris-Craft Stinger 390X, 1984 Christ Craft Stinger 390X. New paint. New upholstery, New engine. Too much rebuilt on this boat to list. Always a freshwater boat. Hull is solid as can be. Tons of receipts. In great working condition. Ready to run right now. 2012 Survey Quote: "Boat has a nice appearance with no real obvious scratches in hull or dents in the rub rails. Upholstery is nice. Bottom is in good shape and does not require attention. The pride of ownership is truly evident throughout this vessel." Stored at Propeller Basin Marina in Anchor Bay, Michigan. \$27000, 5867472815 Galley Equipment Pressurized water system with 10 gallon polyethylene portable water tank. Refrigerator. Mechanical Equipment Twin 454 Mercs with Merc TRS outdrives. Boots, shift cables, wires in good condition. 2 Mirage stainless steel three blade props in good condition with no visual damage. Teleflex push/pull cable with MerCruiser hydraulic assist steering. "Kiekhafer" trim tabs in good condition with no leaks. 2 12 volt ventilation blowers. 2 1500gph 12 volt bilge pumps. Fuel lines and tank in good condition...no leaks. Accommodations Two bench sofas and lounge seat. Vanity with stainless steel sink and self contained "Santi-Pottie". Head is clean and in good condition. Electrical System Two 12 volt d/c batteries. Clean cables. Two battery switches on forward engine room bulkhead. 110 volt a/c circuit breaker panel in cabin with polarity warning light. Deck & Hull Equipment Six docking lines. Two fenders. Dock pole. ITT Jabsco Chrome Spotlight. Docking Lights mounted in bow. Cockpit in very good condition. Carpet in good condition. Additional Equipment Manually operated stand up bolsters. Cockpit cover in good condition. Electronics & Navigational Gear Gaffrig Depth Finder. OEM gauages. Ritchie 4" magnetic compass. West Marine VHF Radio. Lowrance Global Map 1600 GPS. Clarion am/fm cassette player



with 6 cd changer and hard mounted remote control at helm.



**Model: 1983 260**  
**Location: Burlington, NJ**  
**Asking Price: \$27,000**

1983 Chris Craft Stinger 260 in very nice condition -- will sell at no reserve !!! Powered by twin Chevy 454s, outdrives have stainless props. Owner told us the motors run great, no problems - we checked the dipsticks, oil is clean The hull is in very good condition - see photos The deck and cabin floor are solid, no soft spots Comes with cover as seen in photos The cuddy area is very nice - clean, dry and nice upholstery The cockpit area is in good shape as well - plenty of seating, upholstery is in good shape This item is at a residence in Burlington, NJ and is not available for viewing Boat will be sold with NJ title



**Model: 1982 312**  
**Location: Bothell, WA**  
**Asking Price: \$4,500**

1982 Chris-Craft 312 Stinger, I am selling my very nice 312 Stinger. (The boat has no engines) It has TRS drives and all drive pumps and flaps with flap pumps. The interior is 6 years old and in good condition. Everything but the onshore power charger works fine. Hull is in good shape with no cracks. \$4500 Takes it.



**Model: 1989 312**  
**Location: Masku, Finland**  
**Asking Price: €26,500**

A good well known and short title history (3 hands). The original "Finland" boat. Fast and clean muscle now extremely cheaply. AJ just 510 t. Engine information Make: MerCruiser x 2, Model: 454, Engine type: Sterndrive, 4 Stroke, Engine power: 330 Hp, Fuel type: Petrol, Year model: 1989, Hours: 510 h



**Model: 1983 390**  
**Location: Cleveland, OH**  
**Asking Price: \$10,000**

Vintage 1983 Chris Craft 39 ft. Stinger shell with a VALUED \$5,000 TRAILER INCLUDED! Great refurbishing project with fairly new top exterior paint. Have some parts and list of contacts for needed parts if interested. STAND OUT on Lake Erie as THE MIAMI VICE BOAT OWNER!



**Model: 1982 390**  
**Location: McDonough, GA**  
**Asking Price: \$12,000**

1982 Chris Craft Stinger 390 (The original Miami Vice Boat) Boat was in water 7 years ago and was put inside storage since then. Twin big block 454's. Interior is all complete and in very good condition. Interior in cabin is complete and has new air condition unit. TRS drives, hyd trim tabs, 3 blade stainless steel props, motors show to have 400 hours, trailer included, 1 put fresh fuel in small can and ran each motor for a few minutes. This is a great boat you could enjoy with a little TLC or do a full restoration.



**Model: 1986 222**  
**Location: Danville, IN**  
**Asking Price: \$7,500**

1986 Chris Craft Stinger 222 This was Chris Craft's attempt at a race style boat Has triple bolster seating with a step down cuddy Center steer BRAND NEW SBC Motor was just completely gone through!!!! .30 over bore Flat top Pistons... Ported polished heads New oil pump Carb rebuilt Straight thru transom exhaust Alpha drive New bellow New gimbal Fresh fluid change Boat is water ready!!! Asking 7500 Obo Open to trades of motorcycle. Cruiser style only. No crotch rockets, no dirt bike