



Exceeding Expectations  
in Superyacht transport



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## Superyacht Shipping is an essential part of Peters & May's global business

The shipment of yachts and motor boats of this size and weight requires additional handling from the outset. Peters & May uses specific lifting equipment suitable for heavy lifting, the best cradling systems and the finest people in the industry to oversee all procedures from start to finish. Peters & May understands the importance of having specially trained staff to oversee every part of the shipping process, especially the loading and unloading of these unique yachts.

Head office personnel are committed to supplying not just a quotation but a proposal to demonstrate how the equipment is used and an outline of the operations procedures. This proposal will always include references to past work carried out by Peters & May.

## Exceeding expectations in commercial transport

With Peters & May's long history, we can be trusted to deliver and exceed the expectations of clients by providing a level of service that warrants the reputation of our brand. Peters & May continues to be the world's most respected marine shipping consultant and logistics provider. Being completely independent of any carrier association, we are best placed to provide clients with shipping opportunities that meet both their budgetary requirements and date expectations.





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## Heavy Lift Vessels

Charter vessels provide yacht owners with the ultimate flexibility. They will transport a yacht wherever in the world her owner would like, without the time restrictions of following a schedule, or having to call in at a trans-shipment port. Yachts are loaded directly from the water to the ship, often using the ship's own cranes, and sailing yachts can be shipped with their masts up, all of which reduces the overall transit times.

All operations from the outset are supervised by the attending P&M loadmasters.





## Float on - Float off submersible vessel

The unique service offered by a submersible vessel involves floating yachts onto a dedicated yacht carrier without the use of cranes. These vessels submerge when at the loading port, allowing the yachts to proceed on board. Once the yachts in position and secured by mooring lines, the vessel is raised slowly and the yacht secured firmly into position in readiness for the ocean voyage ahead. These Float on – Float off submersible vessels often target well known destinations throughout the main yachting regions, such as the Mediterranean and Caribbean, as well as further afield to the Middle East and beyond. Smaller submersible vessels can also be found for one off dedicated sailings.

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Yachts of this size require bespoke planning and subsequently we supply detailed shipping proposals which are specific to each yacht.

## Cradling

Peters & May has the highest quality and safest cradles in the industry and we work with the best suppliers to plan and patent new designs. The foundation for our reputation as the industry leader comes from the quality of our loading team and our service levels. Our cradle systems not only support the yacht but protect her against the pressures felt during a long ocean voyage.

You can rest assured that your yacht will be suitably cradled and protected for her journey. The cradle is perhaps the most important element of the transportation. It needs to retain a low centre of gravity, be structurally sound, and support the yacht along the length of the keel in as many places as possible.

The positioning of the yacht on the cradle and on the keel blocks is fundamental to the safe onward journey. Peters and May's cradling system ensures that the yacht lands with uniform pressure along the length of the keel.

Our cradles support the yacht along the entire length of the hull both towards the keel and under the chimes. Wooden blocks and packers are always positioned between the cradle supports and the hull / keel. Cradle "wedges" are secured to the deck with regulated corner castings. All other cradle structures are welded to the deck. To spread the load efficiently soft wood keel blocks will be added at every frame interval.





## Lashings

Peters & May creates bespoke lashing plans for each yacht considering the yachts size, weight and load location on the vessel. To reduce possible damage to cleats the pressure is taken between two cleats and athwartship lashing to ensure the yacht is well secured in its cradle.

We only use soft lashings close to the yacht to reduce possibility of damage to cleats, bulwarks and fairleads. Soft felt sections are also placed under all areas of the lashings that are in contact with surfaces to prevent abrasions.

## Equalisers

Equaliser plates allow for the yacht to be picked up over multiple points spreading the load between all lifting belts. Equalisers also prevent overloading on a single belt and therefore prevent sling failure.



## P&M Loadmasters

Peters & May has a team of full time professional loadmasters with industry approved qualifications; each loadmaster has over 25 years of experience within global military maritime logistic deployment.

Loadmasters are a huge asset to P&M and are instrumental in leading the specialised yacht shipping market for everyone involved. Because they are on the forefront of operations dealing with operators and stevedores worldwide, our loadmasters have the experience and the knowledge to know when a safe loading is possible. Always in close contact with head office, they work from detailed loading and lashing plans to ensure safe and reliable loadings.

Independently to our loadmasters, we employ marine surveyors to produce a loading survey report detailing all aspects of the loading and equipment.





## Testimonials

Peters & May has worked directly with VIP clients all over the world on a number of occasions and understand exactly what is required to provide the necessary service levels. Please take note of the following testimonials:

**Captain Steve Willoughby** 'MY Red Sapphire' -  
"Peters & May offers a professional service like no other, they are always my first choice for super yacht transportation and never let me down".

**Simon Cox**, After Sales Manager, Benetti Yachts -  
"By offering me a turnkey solution, I can trust that our yachts are in safe hands and will be delivered expertly and on time".

# Company Background.

## Delivering excellence in global boat transportation for over 25 years...

Peters & May Ltd provides worldwide yacht transportation services to over 4,000 vessels each year via sea, road and air.

As a specialist marine transport provider, we are the first choice for many of the world's leading names in the marine industry. Our clients include professional and commercial organisations, individuals and leisure clients, and we are the long-term preferred logistics supplier to many manufacturers and race teams.

With the support and backing of Constantine, recent years have seen major global expansion for Peters & May. As an ongoing business strategy to further enhance global operations, we have offices in the UK, USA, France, Spain, Germany, Italy, Hong Kong, Singapore, Netherlands and Dubai. In addition exclusive agencies were opened wherever partnership opportunities have been identified. Locations include: Australia, South Africa, New Zealand, Benelux, Turkey and Russia.



### **Established global brand**

- Trusted to deliver a reliable service
- Independent advice with no carrier association
- Market confidence

### **Globally recognised boat transport company**

- The only FMC accredited boat transport company in the USA

### **Global network of established offices**

- Local knowledge
- Contactable 24/7
- A multilingual company
- Turnkey services from door to door

### **Professionalism**

- Full time professional loadmasters with industry approved qualifications and over 25 years of experience in military maritime logistics deployment
- Industry approved operational systems and equipment
- Innovative new systems to improve operations and reduce costs
- In-house VAT and customs experts and HMRC recognised customs agent



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