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### Choose runabout go fishing for whole family

design, a lively, well-designed runabout can bring

your family a new kind of to-

getherness. Plan carefully

before you buy. Then plan on

big family fun!

Boating treats the family to a full range of experiences together. Fishing, swimming, picnics, parties, water skiing, cruising, sunning!

The right boat opens the door to a summer full of family adventures; the wrong boat can cause great disappointment.

Choosing the right boat for your family means finding one that fits your budget and does what you want it to do for all of your favorite activ-

People at Starcraft Company, which has been building boats 75 years, say the most popular family boats are the "runabouts." They generally range in length from 14' to 20'; in price from \$3,000 to \$12,000 and more, including engine and trailer.

Runabouts are more versatile than fishing boats; they are easier to operate and maintain than 'over-

nighters" or cruisers.
So, if it's a runabout for you, your first choice to make is between aluminum and fiberglass. Aluminum is lighter than fiberglass so it requires less horsepower, less gas to tow and to run. and costs less to buy.

Fiberglass boats are molded so they have an exceptionally sleek appearance, and often very plush interiors. Your dealer can help you weigh the advantages of both.

Whether the boat you choose is aluminum or fiberglass, make sure it has positive flotation material that meets or exceeds standards set by the Coast Guard and the Boating Industry Association (BIA). This should be clearly specified in the manufacturer's literature and on a certification tag attached to the boat.

It's a good idea to learn about hulls before you buy. Runabouts come with three basic hulls: tri-hull, V-hull and deep-V hull.

There are variations of tri-hulls, such as Starcraft's patented tri-V hull on its Montego runabout, designed for extra-high performance but an uncommonly stable ride in choppy water.

The V-hull is another fast one, designed to slice right through waves for a smoother ride.

The deep-V hull is made for big bodies of water, where waves can really get rough. A new Super Sport V-5 from Starcraft is an example. The forward part of its hull is sharply V-shaped. flaring out from side to side and flattening toward the aft.

Besides a smooth ride. there is big in-floor fuel capacity, another feature you'll need in big water.

Think about seating capacity, too. Closed-bow runabouts usually have a helmsman seat, companion seat and seating for two or three in the stern. Open-bow runabouts have extra seating

up front. Deck-style boats, the newest kind of runabout. offer seating all around the deck. It's a good choice for a large family or for entertain-

will you use your boat for fishing? Some runabouts offer lockable rod storage and live wells.

More interested in pleasant cruising and parties? Look for stereo tape decks and ice chests.

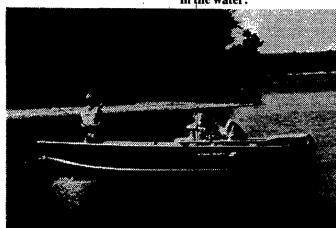
For sunbathing you'll find sun decks or plush reclining sleeper seats.

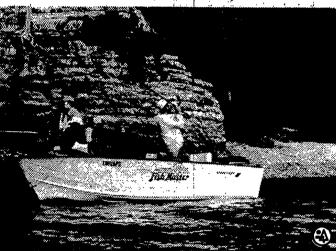
And most runabouts offer boarding ladders for swimning and scuba diving.

Big or small, aluminum or

Mom, kids without dad

Golf, football captured the man in the family? Mom and the kids can have their own fun fishing. It's exciting and inexpensive. A lightweight boat and simple tackle are all the sport requires. This Starcraft Seafarer aluminum fishing boat weighs just 140 pounds, so it's easy to trailer or car-top, launch and handle in the water.





You don't need a snazzy metalflake fiberglass bass boat to haul in lunkers. Take a look at one of the new "everyman's" bass boats, such as the Starcraft Fishmaster. It's a lightweight marine aluminum boat that will come in close to shoreline bass country. It is powerful enough to double as a family ski boat, but economical to buy, tow and operate.

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