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**- BURGESS MARINE PROUDLY WELCOMES
LORD SUGARS 55m MY LADY A TO PORTCHESTER -**

Britain's largest independent ship repairer, [Burgess Marine](#), has secured a substantial winter refit on-board Lord Sugar's new Superyacht, MY Lady A, at its ship lift facility in Portchester, Portsmouth.

The vessel, (ex Southern Cross III, Emihar Chios and Indian Princess) is owned by Lord Sugar; she was built in 1986 in Japan with interior and exterior styling by [Bannenberg & Rowell Design](#). She is 55m LOA, with an 11.8m beam and a 4m draft.

The vessel arrived in Portsmouth from San Remo on September 5th and after a short layover in the [Commercial Port](#) docked on Burgess Marine's 1000T [Rolls Royce](#) syncrolift at 1200hrs local time today, September 12th. Burgess Marine's ship lift is located at [Trafalgar Wharf](#), Portchester.

The planned package of works includes minor structural, mechanical and electrical modifications, and the installation of new [Naiad](#) stabilisers. The refit will also include modifications and improvements to both the interior and exterior styling, and a new external paint scheme.

Nicholas Warren, the Managing Director of Burgess Marine, comments: "It's absolutely fantastic to welcome another substantial refit to our Portchester facility. The fact that Lord Sugar, such a well-known entrepreneur, business magnate and self-made man has chosen to bring his boat back to the UK's South Coast for a refit is great, great news. He's a very experienced owner and charterer; we look forward to working with the Owners Team and delivering the boat back to the client on time and on budget".

The project is being directly managed by the Owners Team with Burgess Marine acting as the primary contractor in partnership with Shemara Refit. Design and naval architecture support is being provided by [Houlder](#).

Ray Cutts, the company's Technical Director goes on to say: "The docking was a complete success with everything going exactly to plan. She's a big boat for the facility and with Tacanuya here too the site will certainly be getting busy. MY Lady A is a wonderful yacht and we genuinely look forward to working with the Shemara Refit team on another unique and seriously exciting project".

Simultaneously Burgess Marine is completing refit works on-board MY Tacanuya, in Portchester, and the new build of the eagerly anticipated [Glider Yachts](#) prototype.

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Burgess Marine

Burgess Marine is at the forefront of the specialised marine engineering industry, having earned a worldwide reputation as experts in all aspects of structural repairs and renewals as well as mechanical repairs both above and below the waterline.

With workshops and offices in Dover, Portsmouth, Portchester, Southampton, Poole, Avonmouth, Devonport and within STP Palma the business is ideally located not only to support the UK's largest passenger ports, but also shipping in general throughout the busy English Channel and Superyacht's based in Mallorca.

From its head office in Dover, Burgess Marine also provides highly skilled teams capable of carrying out planned refits and emergency works worldwide, having worked extensively throughout Europe and the Mediterranean, the Middle East, the Far East, North America, South America and the Caribbean.

The combined marine engineering experience of the Directors and Technical Management within Burgess Marine exceeds some 250 years; it is this level of knowledge and experience, together with complete commitment, that gives customers total peace of mind and Burgess Marine the leading edge.

Burgess Marine is an ISO 9001:2008 British Standards Institute accredited company and holds 'DNV Approved Supplier' status; the company is also a full member of the Association of Diving Contractors. [Click here](#) to view all accreditations and policies.

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