

# TESTED: TRACKER PRO CRAPPIE 175



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**F**or the boater looking for a no-frills, freshwater panfish boat, the Tracker Pro Crappie 175 is a great place to start. Producing boats since 1978, Tracker made this four-person boat so that it's ready to hit the water straight off the showroom floor.

The Pro Crappie 175 features a 13-gallon aerated livewell at the bow, while a 9-gallon aerated livewell rests under the helm seat. Two 2-gallon aerated baitwells with removable buckets are equipped on the 175 as well. It also features a MotorGuide foot-controlled trolling motor with 46 pounds of thrust and a 42-inch shaft as well as a Lowrance X37 fish finder.

The three fold-down seats are nicely constructed and offer plenty of comfort whether fishing or cruising from spot to spot, and just behind the driver's chair is a small storage section for lures. To port there is a rod holder for your poles, and there's also a dedicated place for the navigation light — and this compartment has a key lock.

Tracker stands behind the construction of its boats, as the hull, longitudinal stringer system, compartment lids and

transom are all constructed of marine-grade aluminum. Tracker also injects pressurized foam into its hulls for maximum flotation and to reduce hull flexing to improve the rough-water ride. The welded aluminum hulls also carry a transferable DuraTrack Lifetime Limited Warranty, which covers the external welds on the boat for as long as you own it.

The Pro Crappie 175 is a fun little boat to drive. It handles confidently even in slightly chopped-up waters, and the 50 hp two-stroke Mercury motor provides enough power to get around the lake. Its 2.8-second on-plane time and peak speed of 32.3 mph is ample for most casual freshwater anglers.

Purchasing a Tracker boat is intended to be a straightforward process, as the company notes it was “the first to build a complete, ready-to-fish boat package and sell it at a nationally published price.” Translation: no haggling over the bottom line.

The Pro Crappie 175 is a great panfish boat for anglers who need the basics in an affordable aluminum package. At \$12,695 (which includes a trailer), the Pro Crappie 175 is a great everything-included deal. **GO**



## PERFORMANCE & PRICING

### TRACKER PRO CRAPPIE 175

#### SPECIFICATIONS

LENGTH	17 ft., 4 in.
BEAM	7 ft.
CAPACITY	4 people
DRY WEIGHT	1,597 lbs.
FUEL CAPACITY	17 gals.
MAXIMUM POWER	60 hp
DEADRISE @ TRANSOM	19 degrees

#### PERFORMANCE

	MPH	RPM	MPG	RANGE (MILES)	DBA
PEAK	32.3	5,400	6.21	95	87
CRUISE	22.4	4,000	7.23	111	84
TIME TO PLANE	2.8 seconds				
0-30 MPH ACCELERATION	8.0 seconds				

Fuel consumption measured with FloScan digital fuel-flow meter; range based on 90% of total fuel capacity

#### TEST POWER

MOTOR	50 hp Mercury 2-stroke
PROP	3-blade aluminum
WOT RANGE	5,000-5,500 rpm

Craft available with outboards ranging from 9.9 hp to 60 hp from Mercury

#### BASE PRICE

WITH TEST POWER \$12,695\*

\*Price can vary depending on options and freight — price includes powder-coated trailer

#### FINANCING

\$233/month for 5 years\*

\*Assuming a final price of \$13,000 with a 15% down payment and a fixed interest rate of 9.75% — does not include sales tax

#### NOTABLE OPTION

Brake upgrade for trailer (\$445)

#### FIVE NOTABLE STANDARDS

46 lb.-thrust MotorGuide 12v foot-controlled trolling motor, 9-gallon and 13-gallon aerated livewells, lockable portside storage for 6-foot, 6-inch rods, three fold-down fishing seats w/composite frames, Lowrance X37 fish finder (w/surface temperature, battery monitor and swivel)

#### BUILDER

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