

Tom Perkin's Dr. No Project

Tom Perkins has never been one to shy away from very large, very difficult projects. Aside from his many great successes in the venture capital world, Tom has also undertaken groundbreaking design projects in the ocean exploration world. In 2006, he launched the 289.1 foot S/Y Maltese Falcon, the largest privately owned sailing yacht. Maltese Falcon is regarded as the pinnacle in sailing yacht design and boasts many state of the art innovations, including three, free-standing, rotating, carbon fiber masts.



S/Y Maltese Falcon

For his next big project, Tom went under the waves. In 2008, he commissioned Graham Hawkes and Hawkes Ocean Technologies to build a 2-seat underwater flying machine for S/Y Maltese Falcon. Eight months later, a gleaming, silver DeepFlight Super Falcon was delivered to the Maltese Falcon in San Francisco, and a few days later, she sailed under the Golden Gate Bridge, on its way to dive in the Sea of Cortez, Roca Partida in the Pacific Ocean, and dozens of other exotic locations.



DeepFlight Super Falcon aboard S/Y Maltese Falcon

Now, Tom is embarking on perhaps his grandest venture yet. He is retrofitting M/V Blue Hunter as an expedition yacht/submersible carrier, re-naming the vessel "Dr. No," and is about to leave on a multi-year, multi-ocean expedition to dive his DeepFlight Super Falcon with the big ocean animals. We are sure you will soon be hearing more about the "Dr. No Project" and its adventures diving the DeepFlight Super Falcon.



M/V Blue Hunter, soon to be M/V Dr. No