

# RV CLOSE-UP

← The rear bunkhouse in the STT343VIB can be set up as a study area or an office.

**T**ravel trailers offer many options for sleeping, socializing, and enjoying the sights. Venture RV, a division of KZ Recreational

Vehicles, answers the need for luxury travel trailers with its SportTrek Touring Edition model.

The SportTrek Touring Edition comes in nine floor plans for 2021, including the new STT343VIB. This three-slideout model includes a multipurpose area in the rear that can be configured for various uses: a four-person bunkhouse, a “pet palace,” a king-size bed, a king-size bed with two bunks, or an office/classroom/craft room with an oversized desk and two bunks.

The STT343VIB will especially appeal to RVing families with children, whether they’re regularly homeschooled on the road or are currently learning remotely because of COVID-19. During the day, the

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By Robbin Gould, Editor

*A new luxury travel trailer from Venture RV features a multipurpose room.*





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**MODEL / FLOOR PLAN**

2021 SportTrek Touring Edition  
STT343VIB

**EXTERIOR LENGTH**

38 feet 2 inches

**EXTERIOR HEIGHT**

11 feet 6 inches with A/C

**EXTERIOR WIDTH**

96 inches

**INTERIOR HEIGHT**

6 feet 10 inches

**HITCH WEIGHT**

1,175 pounds

**UNLOADED VEHICLE WEIGHT (UVW)**

8,680 pounds

**CARGO CARRYING CAPACITY (CCC)**

2,308 pounds



**FRESH WATER CAPACITY**

45 gallons

**HOLDING TANK CAPACITIES**

black water — 32 gallons;  
gray water — 32 gallons

**PROPANE CAPACITY**

60 pounds

**WARRANTY**

1 year

**BASE MANUFACTURER'S SUGGESTED RETAIL PRICE**

\$49,240

bunk system converts to a study area. Of course, adult RVers who work remotely can utilize this room as a home office.

Another compelling feature of this family-friendly layout: It can sleep up to 10.

**CONSTRUCTION AND EXTERIOR**

The SportTrek Touring Edition incorporates a huck-bolted frame, 2-inch-by-3-inch floor joists, and 5/8-inch tongue-and-groove plywood floor decking. The sidewalls are aluminum-framed, with decorative luan wallboard added. The 4 1/2-inch roof trusses are set 16 inches on center.



Polystyrene insulation with an R-7 rating is used in the sidewalls, and Darco corrugated material creates a moisture barrier in the RV's underbelly. Slideouts are triple-sealed.

Venture RV's Weather-Shield package helps to extend the camping season with 360-degree residential fiberglass insulation and radiant-foil insulation; radiant-foil-wrapped holding tanks; an enclosed underbelly heated by forced air; and enclosed gate valves. In addition, the roof is covered with a reflective PVC membrane.

The unit features an upgraded graphics package. The painted fiberglass front cap comes with an integrated LED light. A panoramic automotive-style window in the cap is tinted, as are the frameless windows all around.

The SportTrek Touring Edition incorporates four power stabilizer jacks, each with its own motor, along with heavy-duty leaf springs and EZ Lube axles. Other features include a detachable power cord, a lighted power tongue jack, and a 2-inch accessory hitch integrated into the frame. Two 30-pound propane cylinders are concealed underneath a flip-up access lid. The 6-gallon

gas-electric water heater comes with direct-spark ignition.

This model can be outfitted with Venture RV's optional LevelMate PRO, a wireless system that calculates the correct height needed to level the unit. It indicates where to make adjustments via arrows displayed on a smartphone or tablet. When an indicator light turns from red to green, that signifies the RV is level.

The 2021 models now include the iRV control panel and app, which enables RVers to operate awnings and lights, check tank levels, and handle many more functions from a monitor or smartphone.

The RV is prepped for a 100-watt solar panel and controller and for a backup camera. Available options include an Off-the Grid package, a second air conditioner, and eight others.

The STT343VIB includes the cleverly named Campfire Café, an exterior kitchen with a pull-out cooktop, a refrigerator, and a sink with hot and cold water. Generous cabinet and drawer storage is provided as well.

RV chefs can do their thing while others relax under the adjacent 10-foot-4-inch lighted power awning that

◀ From opposite: The STT343VIB comes standard with the Campfire Café exterior kitchen. The modern farmhouse décor blends rustic and contemporary touches. The dinette provides generous storage under its seats.

shades the slideout area. (A 12-foot awning next to it shields the front entry.) A bottle opener/outdoor pet tie-down and an outside shower with hot and cold water are also provided.

Large radiused baggage doors feature slam latches and magnetic catches; a pass-through storage area is accessible up front. Other conveniences include the friction-hinge entry door, which is paired with a screen door that incorporates a Screen Shot automatic closer; this device helps keep pests outside and eliminates those repeated requests to "Shut the screen door!" RVers go inside via flip-up solid entry steps.

## INTERIOR FEATURES

The SportTrek Touring Edition features a modern farmhouse design for 2021. This includes a mix of cabinetry — antique white and heirloom maple finishes — along with rustic hardware and barnwood-style



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↑ Rear street-side bunks replace the study area (above). The front master bedroom incorporates a window seat (above right).

backsplash and flooring. RVers will discover Beauflor wood-plank flooring, solid-surface countertops, and designer valances with fabric nightshades. The interior ceiling height is 6 feet 10 inches; 6 feet in the flush-floor slideouts.

USB charging ports and 120-volt outlets are situated throughout. The unit features Bluetooth capability.

Company literature describes the SportTrek Touring's kitchen as "elegant, yet functional." Some floor plans, including the STT343VIB, feature a kitchen island. The deep, stainless-steel single-basin sink is located there, accompanied by a single-handle spring-assisted faucet. The island also contains an appliance hutch.

Stainless-steel appliances include a microwave oven and a three-burner high-output flush-mount stove with glass cover, 21-inch oven, and accent lighting. A 10-cubic-foot double-door

refrigerator is standard, and an 8-cubic-foot propane/electric fridge is offered as an option. Adjustable shelves in the pantry help RVers to organize items as they see fit. A hidden Safe-Tek storage box conceals valuables and houses a charging station.

The SportTrek Touring Edition comes with a booth dinette; a stationary table and four chairs are optional.

The living area presents a comfy place to relax and watch the large TV, which measures 40 inches in the STT343VIB, and to stay warm and cozy thanks to one of two 30-inch fireplaces in the RV. The entertainment center offers plentiful storage in cupboards and drawers. Across from it is a 70-inch trifold sofa that converts to a bed.

The STT343VIB's front master bedroom includes a 60-inch-by-80-inch queen bed fitted in a slideout, across from a dresser with a built-in fireplace. Wardrobes and overhead cabinets provide even more room to stow things. And remember that panoramic front window? A large window seat below it makes for a nice

perch with an outside view; even more storage is available underneath. An additional closet is located in the bedroom, off the bathroom wall, and features a washer/dryer hookup.

The bath includes a 30-inch-by-36-inch shower, a vanity with a stainless-steel sink, and a porcelain foot-flush toilet.

Let's return to the rear multi-purpose room mentioned earlier. Two sets of 70-inch-long bunk beds face each other on opposing walls; between them, a cabinet rests against the back wall. The bottom street-side bunk converts to an oversized desk. If more sleeping room is needed, the bunks can be arranged into a king-size bed.

Venture RV uses the slogan "Designed for campers, *by* campers." According to Dave Boggs, general manager, the company's travel trailers reflect input from product managers, engineers, production staff, and sales folks whose families enjoy RVing and actively use the RVs. In fact, the SportTrek Touring Edition STT343VIB is Dave's brainchild. ●