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OptiMax motors are louder than others, but the Regency shields passengers from the noise with a sun pad that deflects much of the sound away from the deck. Also keeping sound at bay is the solid, new construction technique that forgoes usual pontoon fare M-brackets for full pontoon-length extruded connection brackets. They make for such a solid tube-to-deck connection that we could feel the difference in the ride.

Even more important are Sun Tracker’s groundbreaking new tube strakes. They’re wider and more aggressive to give the boat lift, reduce drag and hull weight (this boat proves two tubes can be greater than three). The system squeezes excellent top speed from modest horsepower at a lower price.

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**Who should buy it:**

The 25 Regency has its own running attitude and quick acceleration thanks to new tube shapes. The boat is ideal for boaters with big crews, a bent toward performance and a sharp eye on style.

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**SUN TRACKER**

Party Barge 25 Regency

- **LENGTH OVERALL:** 26'1.25"
- **BEAM:** 8'6"
- **DRY WEIGHT:** 3,230 LB.
- **SEATING/WEIGHT CAPACITY:** 14/2,115 LB.
- **FUEL CAPACITY:** 45 GAL.
- **MAXIMUM HP:** 135
- **MSRP (W/ MERCURY 135 OPTIMAX):** $33,795

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**What we think:**

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**power picks**

- **Mercury 90 ELPTO two-stroke** – $27,495
- **Mercury 90 ELPT four-stroke** – $29,695
- **Mercury 115 OptiMax** – $29,995

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**Also consider . . .**

**Party Barge 20 Regency**

- **LENGTH:** 21’8.5”
- **BEAM:** 8’6”
- **MAX HP:** 115

Features the same look and lines but more performance on the same horsepower with Tracker's performance “NV” tubes.

**Party Barge 26 Regency**

- **LENGTH:** 27’1.25”
- **BEAM:** 8’6”
- **MAX HP:** 125

Adds carrying capacity and more features for a full-luxury, top-performance pontoon experience.

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