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HURRICANE SUNDECK 240 OB

SOUTHWIND 2290L

RINKER CAPTIVA 240 DECK BOAT

SCOUT 262SF W/ YAMAHA F350



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Sprawling water means lots of homes in the near future.

SCORECARD (SCALE OF 1-5)

Waterfront Availability ★★★★★

Ease for Boaters ★★★★★

Strong Boat-Related Business ★★★

Number of Good Boating Days ★★★★★

Located less than 20 miles from Clemson University, Lake Keowee and neighboring Lake Jocassee are surprisingly quiet. While the college students stick to Lake Hartwell, Keowee and Jocassee draw a more adult, if not affluent, crowd.

The region sits at the edge of the Appalachian Mountains, and has become a bull's-eye for boaters wanting to relocate from up north or from down south. About three-quarters of the houses on Lake Keowee are summer homes, but developments like the Cliffs, which has opened three gated mountain-lake residential communities here, are trying to make the lake a more permanent home for many. "The

developers are trying to make it into another Lake Lanier [Georgia]," says Nate Ellison, general manager of Lake Keowee Marina. For the time being, the minimal crowd makes it a natural for the top 10.