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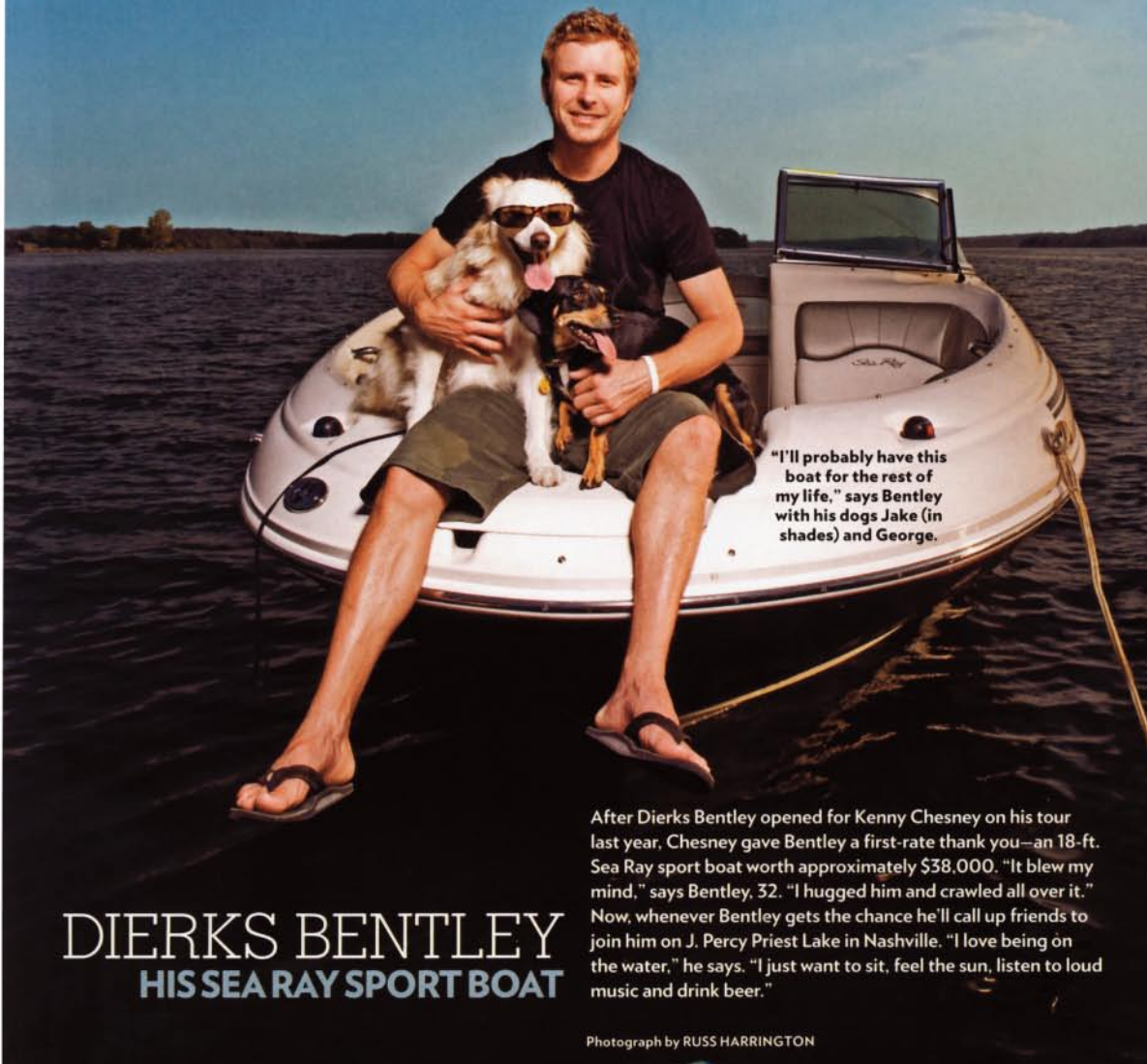
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HOW CELEBS GET THEIR MOTORS RUNNING—ON
ROADS, TRAILS AND WATER

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"I'll probably have this boat for the rest of my life," says Bentley with his dogs Jake (in shades) and George.

DIERKS BENTLEY HIS SEA RAY SPORT BOAT

After Dierks Bentley opened for Kenny Chesney on his tour last year, Chesney gave Bentley a first-rate thank you—an 18-ft. Sea Ray sport boat worth approximately \$38,000. "It blew my mind," says Bentley, 32. "I hugged him and crawled all over it." Now, whenever Bentley gets the chance he'll call up friends to join him on J. Percy Priest Lake in Nashville. "I love being on the water," he says. "I just want to sit, feel the sun, listen to loud music and drink beer."

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