



(top) Bravo model; (bottom) SecureProp theft preventative.

Props are a marketable commodity for thieves, especially expensive stainless steel ones. It takes a minute or less to remove a prop with a socket set. **SecureProp** (225/751-1428) uses a locking cover that is machine fit to encompass the entire hub, denying any access to the propeller's locking nut. Easily attached, it comes with an ABUS padlock and has a reflector for nighttime driving. Three sizes fit engines up to 300hp and there's one that fits the Bravo outdrive. Since the three things you need to operate a powerboat are ignition key, gas and bilge plug and the later means looking at the transom, it's unlikely that you'll forget to remove the lock. According to the inventor and manufacturer Jack Gremillion, if you forget to remove it, there'll be a lot of clanging but no damage to the prop. Available online at www.secureprop.com starting at US\$129.

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