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- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Thermoformed adjustable seat
- Ratchet adjustable back band
- Aircore™ hip pads for on the fly adjustable comfort
- T2 thighbrace



Blaze 6.9

The all-river play concept takes on a new level of refinement and comfort with the Blaze™ series. The mission? To provide real, everyday paddlers like ourselves the soul and spirit of a great day on the water. Loose and slicy for play boating, but comfortable, forgiving and fast for river-running — the Blaze 6.9 is our smallest model in the series, designed for medium paddlers. It features our Comfort Fit™ outfitting with our Precision Adjustable™ seat, Griplok™ seat pad, ratchet adjustable backband and T2 thighbraces. The revolutionary Aircore™ hip pads allow you to “pump up” for a truly custom fit. Also includes adjustable bulkhead footbraces, drain plug, an outfitting kit and Bull-Dawg™ security bars.

Length: 6' 10" | **Width:** 24.75" | **Weight:** 35 lbs.

Cockpit: 33x19.5" | **Volume:** 44 gal.

Paddler Weight Range: 120-165 lbs.



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Thermoformed adjustable seat
- Ratchet adjustable back band
- Aircore™ hip pads for on the fly adjustable comfort
- T2 thighbrace



Blaze 7.1

Like the smaller Blaze™6.9, The Blaze™7.1 is a versatile playboat / river running design. Responsive and playful while offering great comfort and easy-to-adjust outfitting, large paddlers now have a true option. The Comfort Fit™ outfitting with a truly adjustable seating system and inflatable hip pads offers cockpit comfort that simply cannot be matched in cramped, “park-in-play” kayaks. To be on the river sharpening your skills in a kayak that not only fits exceptionally well and performs exceptionally well — that’s what puts a smile on our faces here at Perception®.

Length: 7' 1" | **Width:** 25.5" | **Weight:** 38 lbs.

Cockpit: 33x19.5" | **Volume:** 52 gal.

Paddler Weight Range: 165-200 lbs.



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Thermoformed adjustable seat
- Ratchet adjustable back band
- Aircore™ hip pads for on the fly adjustable comfort
- T2 thighbrace



Blaze 7.3

In the old days, kayaks were longer with higher volume so bigger paddlers didn't really have difficulty finding one that they would comfortably fit in. However, as kayak designs have become progressively shorter with lower-volume many larger paddlers find that they are being squeezed out of the fun or subjected to painfully cramped boats. Enter the Blaze™ 7.3: A premier playboat/river runner that truly offers extra-large paddlers exceptional comfort AND performance. Field reports from our test paddlers have been outstanding — pushing the limits on Class V water reporting not only a wide range of forgiveness but that the Blaze skimmed across holes and surfaced equal to most creek boats. Thanks to the Comfort Fit™ outfitting the reviews have also been outstanding for the “custom fit” larger paddlers have all but given up on — until now.

Length: 7' 4" | **Width:** 26.75" | **Weight:** 41 lbs.

Cockpit: 33x19.5" | **Volume:** 63 gal.

Paddler Weight Range: 200-280 lbs.



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Padded thighbrace
- Keepers™ Magnum footbraces
- Rotomolded adjustable seat with foam back rest
- Bow and stern Bull Dawg Security Bars



Sonic 8.1

Whether just getting started or just getting back into it, the progression of kayaking and design is a huge benefit to paddlers of all skill levels and desires. Take the Sonic™ for example. Here's a boat with the soft, forgiving lines of the “old school” models but with a modified planing hull, incredible primary and secondary stability, and confidence inspiring volume and roll-ability. The Sonic turns on a dime, crosses eddy-lines with ease, and combines new-school surfing and carving with the forgiveness of a more rounded hull. Whether shredding up a wave, carving into an eddy, or nailing your combat roll — the Sonic is designed to make the most of your skills, allowing you to paddle more places. Get out and enjoy the river!

Length: 8' | **Width:** 24.25" | **Weight:** 41 lbs.

Cockpit: 33x19" | **Volume:** 52 gal.

Paddler Weight Range: 110-170 lbs.



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Padded thighbrace
- Keepers™ Magnum footbraces
- Rotomolded adjustable seat with foam back rest
- Bow and stern Bull Dawg Security Bars



Supersonic 8.5

Some things get better with age. Plastic isn't one of them. With the introduction of the Supersonic™ 8.5, bigger boaters no longer have to search the used boats aisle to find a kayak with the volume and performance they desire. The Supersonic offers the proven river-running performance characterized by our Corsica™ series but we've nudged the design and outfitting for the new millennium. Full volume center so we can all fit comfortably into the kayak. Mid-volume ends combine some slice but allow plenty of room for a safety kit and even overnight gear. Plus a rounded, semi-planing hull makes this easy to roll model surf like nothing in its class. Outfitted with our tried and true TCL thighbraces, improved Magnum Track footbraces and a foam backrest, this is a boat in which everyone will feel right at home.

Length: 8' 6.25" | **Width:** 25.25" | **Weight:** 42 lbs.

Cockpit: 33x19" | **Volume:** 55 gal.

Paddler Weight Range: 155-220 lbs.

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- Ergonomic seat with ratchet
- Adjustable backband
- Thermofoam seat pad
- Integrated thighbrace
- Keepers™ footbraces
- Retractable Skeg



Avatar 16.0 Composite

The Avatar™ implements a whole new approach to touring boat design for Perception that delivers unprecedented performance. A unique multi-chine hull design puts the Avatar at ease in rock gardens, tide rips and surf as quick turns are achieved by simply putting the boat on edge. The sports car in our touring family has nimble performance that doesn't mean you will sacrifice stability. The Avatar maintains a substantial waterline which enhances the glide factor thus making distance touring enjoyable. The drop-down skeg offers straight line tracking — even in windy conditions. Rigged to be completely comfortable for the duration of your paddle, the Geltek™ seat pad cushions the ride and the low-profile, composite design not only reduces the overall weight but it provides a more lively sensation of being down in the water.

Length: 16' 0" | **Width:** 22.25" | **Weight:** 50 lbs.

Cockpit: 35x18.25" | **Deck Height:** 11"

Total Storage Capacity: 7500 in³

Maximum Load: 300 lbs.



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Adjustable ergonomic seat with ratchet adjustable back rest
- Thermofoam seat pad
- T2 thighbrace
- Keepers™ footbraces
- Retractable Skeg



Avatar 16.0

Designed with the Greenland-style kayak in mind, the Avatar reflects progressive thinking by Brent Reitz and our touring boat designers. With lines similar to its composite sibling, the Avatar 16.0 also features the refreshing multi-chine hull design. Quick turns are simple as the Avatar relies on its graceful, sleek hull design to do the turning rather than a rudder system. Stability not usually associated with such responsive performance is substantial — making the Avatar at home on any and all water in the capable hands of many levels of paddlers.

Length: 15' 10" | **Width:** 22.75" | **Weight:** 56 lbs.

Cockpit: 34x19" | **Deck Height:** 11.5"

Total Storage Capacity: 7500 in³

Maximum Load: 300 lbs.



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Adjustable ergonomic seat with ratchet adjustable back rest
- Thermofoam seat pad
- T2 thighbrace
- Keepers™ footbraces
- Retractable Skeg



Avatar 15.5

The nimble and responsive multi chine design of the Avatar™ 15.5 is ideal for the smaller paddler who holds no prejudices against any type of water. Ponds, big lakes and rivers. You can paddle out of the surf, turn around and ride it back in. You can even take a day trip or head out overnight. Elegant and graceful, the drop down skeg design will track straight to your destination, but turn so fast on a lean that you'll never miss a passing pod of dolphins. Lightweight and extremely efficient, it's easy to paddle. A standard integrated skeg helps keep things straight when you need it. The Comfort Fit™ outfitting offers near custom comfort and it's shorter length makes it easy to carry and easy to car top.

Length: 15.5' | **Width:** 23.25" | **Weight:** 54 lbs.
Cockpit: 34x19" | **Deck Height:** 11.5"
Total Storage Capacity: 7000 in3
Maximum Load: 275 lbs.



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Thermoformed seat
- Thermofoam seat pad
- Neogel™ seat back pad
- Camlok™ adjustable backband
- Padded foam thighbrace
- Smart Track™ remote adjustable footbrace system
- Yakima® Rudder



Eclipse 17.0 Composite

The pinnacle of high performance. The Eclipse. 17.0 Composite is a state-of-the-art, expedition-class touring boat that delivers all of the benefits you've come to expect from Perception. And then some. Its long, narrow hull defies drag for extraordinary speeds. Its upswept bow with reserved volume provides maximum lift in the toughest, roughest seas. And its uniquely rounded chines let you go from initial to secondary stability with the utmost confidence. To top it off, the ergonomic seating system ensures unparalleled comfort.

Length: 17' 2" | **Width:** 22" | **Weight:** 49 lbs.
Cockpit: 35.75x18.25" | **Deck Height:** 13.25"
Total Storage Capacity: 8850 in3
Maximum Load: 425 lbs.



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Adjustable thermoformed seat
- Thermofoam seat pad
- Keepers™ footbraces
- Camlok™ adjustable back rest
- Padded foam thighbrace
- Yakima® Rudder



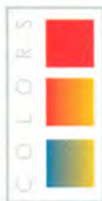
Eclipse 17.0

If you require performance proven across the globe, from remote mountain lakes to open seas, the Eclipse™ 17.0 is the pinnacle of touring kayak design. Its long, streamlined hull provides an extraordinarily fast ride, yet offers surprising maneuverability. The upswept bow tapers into a low-profile midsection then flares out again towards the cockpit providing a proven combination of lift, wind resistance and volume for peak performance in challenging weather. Its uniquely rounded chines let you go from initial to secondary stability with the utmost confidence. To top it off, the unparalleled Comfort Fit™ outfitting — featuring an ergonomic seating system, Softech™ seat pad and cushy, rubberized grab-loops — ensures a first class ride. If you're going to log serious miles on the open water, you won't find a better premium touring kayak anywhere.

Length: 17' 1.5" | **Width:** 22.25" | **Weight:** 66 lbs.
Cockpit: 34x19" | **Deck Height:** 13"
Total Storage Capacity: 8850 in3
Maximum Load: 425 lbs.



Photo by Charlie Munsey



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Thermoformed seat
- Thermofoam seat back pad
- Camlok™ adjustable back rest
- Padded foam thighbrace
- Smart Track™ remote adjustable footbrace system
- Yakima® Rudder

Eclipse 15.0 Composite

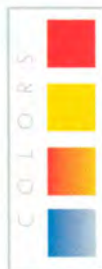
Within the context of a serious expedition there's still occasionally the opportunity for fun. The Eclipse™ 15.0 Composite bears this in mind. Its shorter length provides incredible maneuverability making swell riding easy and exhilarating. Rest assured it's still an expedition kayak at heart. Its superb tracking will effortlessly take you through the glassy waters of calm seas and lakes. Maximum cargo capacity per linear foot ensures that your multi-day fun trip will be well supplied.

Length: 14' 11" | **Width:** 22.75" | **Weight:** 47 lbs.

Cockpit: 35.75x18.25" | **Deck Height:** 13.75"

Total Storage Capacity: 7500 in³

Maximum Load: 350 lbs.



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Keepers™ footbraces
- Padded foam thighbrace
- Camlok™ adjustable back rest
- Thermofoam back and seat pads
- Adjustable thermoform seat
- Yakima® Rudder

Eclipse 14.5

Our high-performance touring design in a more maneuverable package. The Eclipse™ 14.5 shares all the same great features of the Eclipse™ 17.0, but in a shorter, easier turning, easier carrying and easier storing package. The reduced length coupled with the same rocker helps the Eclipse 14.5 excel when playing in the surf zones or technical rock gardens. Comfort Fit™ outfitting ensures hours of comfortable paddling. Plus its volume of dry storage in both the bow and stern make it not only the perfect day-tripper, but a supreme expedition paddler as well.

Length: 14' 5" | **Width:** 22" | **Weight:** 63 lbs.

Cockpit: 34x19" | **Deck Height:** 13"

Total Storage Capacity: 7500 in³

Maximum Load: 300 lbs.



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Thermoformed seat
- Neogel™ seat back pad
- Smart Track™ remote adjustable footbrace system
- Camlok™ adjustable back rest
- Padded foam thighbrace
- Yakima® Rudder

Shadow 16.5 Composite

If your needs require a top-of-the-line touring kayak and you find the Eclipse™ 17.0 Composite a bit too unwieldy, turn to the Shadow™ 16.5 Composite. The slightly lower profile makes it easier for smaller-framed adventurers to paddle. And it's perfectly proportioned for speed and stability — even in the roughest seas. Still offering 8,050 cubic inches of dry storage with a generous maximum load, the Shadow may be smaller in stature but certainly not in ability.

Length: 16' 6" | **Width:** 22" | **Weight:** 46 lbs.

Cockpit: 35.75x18.25" | **Deck Height:** 12"

Total Storage Capacity: 8050 in³

Maximum Load: 350 lbs.



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Thermoformed seat
- Thermofoam seat pad
- Keepers™ footbraces
- Padded foam thighbraces
- Ratchet adjustable backband
- Stern accessory loops
- Yakima® Rudder

Shadow 16.5

We took the advanced engineering of the Eclipse™ 17.0 and modified the design for smaller paddlers. Since shorter paddlers often feel encumbered by the high cockpit rim of a standard kayak, we dropped the deck, narrowed the width and made sure they could stroke as efficiently as the average-sized man in his Eclipse. While the Shadow™ is 3" shorter than the Eclipse, the reduced width keeps it just as fast as its predecessor. Of course, the standard Comfort Fit™ outfitting makes the Shadow equally comfortable, too.

Length: 16' 8" | **Width:** 22.25" | **Weight:** 59 lbs.

Cockpit: 34x19" | **Deck Height:** 10"

Total Storage Capacity: 8050 in³

Maximum Load: 350 lbs.

TOURING



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Thermoformed seat
- Neogel™ seat back pad
- Camlok™ adjustable back rest
- Padded foam thighbrace
- Smart Track™ remote adjustable footbrace system
- Yakima® Rudder*



Shadow 14.5 Composite

Are you a smaller paddler who wants a boat you can pick up and walk off with — by yourself? An elegant and graceful boat that turns heads? How about a straight-tracking design that will make you feel like you're flying, but will turn on a dime when you give it a lean? Then you're looking for the Shadow 14.5 Composite. Extremely efficient for its length, this smaller composite relative to our renowned Shadow family is at home in lakes, oceans, wide rivers and surf. Yep. One boat to do it all. It's nimble, responsive and lightweight — and, you can cartop it by yourself. Was there anything we left out?

Length: 14' 8" | **Width:** 22.5" | **Weight:** 45 lbs.

Cockpit: 35.75x18.25" | **Deck Height:** 12"

Total Storage Capacity: 6800 in³

Maximum Load: 275 lbs.



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Adjustable thermoformed seat
- Thermofoam seat pad
- Keepers™ footbraces
- Rubber-molded grab handles
- Camlok™ adjustable back rest
- Padded foam thighbrace
- Yakima® Rudder



Shadow 14.0

The nimble and responsive Shadow™ 14.0 is ideal for the smaller paddler who holds no prejudices against any type of water. Ponds, big lakes and rivers. You can paddle out of the surf, turn around and ride it back in. The boat is versatile enough so you can take a day trip or head out for an overnight adventure. This smaller Shadow is elegant and graceful and tracks straight to your destination, but will turn so fast on a lean that you'll never miss a passing pod of dolphins. It's easy to paddle due to its lightweight and efficiency. Plus, it's easy to carry and easy to car top. If you crave independence and want it in a sleek, beautiful and compact package, this is it.

Length: 14' 1" | **Width:** 22.25" | **Weight:** 53 lbs.

Cockpit: 34x19" | **Deck Height:** 12"

Total Storage Capacity: 6800 in³

Maximum Load: 275 lbs.

DAY TOURING



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Molded-in seat
- Camlok™ adjustable back rest
- Aircore™ adjustable lumbar and thigh support
- Padded foam thighbrace
- Dual density cargo hatch covers
- Bow and stern deck rigging
- Keepers™ footbraces
- Drop-down Skeg



Monterey 14.0

Leading the way in our day touring line-up, the new Monterey™ 14.0 offers everything an entry level paddler could want in a touring boat and more. With a wider beam than most touring boats, the Monterey is no stranger to stability, but the multi-chine hull design keeps things exciting offering you the response often associated with boats much more advanced. Comfort Fit™ outfitting ensures hours of comfortable paddling. Designed for fun. With a shorter length that is ideal for independent car-topping. So? Great. We knew you'd agree.

Length: 14' | **Width:** 24.25" | **Weight:** 52 lbs.

Cockpit: 34x20" | **Deck Height:** 11.75"

Total Storage Capacity: 6000 in³

Maximum Load: 375 lbs.



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Molded-in seat • Camlok™ adjustable back rest
- Aircore™ adjustable lumbar and thigh support
- Padded foam thighbrace
- Dual density cargo hatch covers
- Bow and stern deck rigging
- Keepers™ footbraces
- Drop-down Skeg



Monterey 13.5

Shave off a few inches and the Monterey™ 13.5 becomes perhaps the most maneuverable kayak in its class. Like its larger counterpart, the multi-chine hull design is responsible for the incredible responsiveness. Designed to respond to your every move, turning is simple — giving new paddlers the confidence they need to press on. The short length makes this a great work out boat, following you around town on your car top. On the water, its length (or lack thereof) makes it very maneuverable. Comfort Fit™ outfitting ensures hours of comfortable paddling. With ample storage the Monterey is also a great day tripper when time in your busy schedule permits.

Length: 13' | **Width:** 24.75" | **Weight:** 50 lbs.

Cockpit: 34x20 | **Deck Height:** 10.75"

Total Storage Capacity: 5000 in³

Maximum Load: 275 lbs.



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Molded-in seat
- Camlok™ adjustable back rest
- Aircore™ adjustable lumbar and thigh support
- Padded foam thighbrace
- Dual density cargo hatch covers
- Bow and stern deck rigging
- Keepers™ footbraces
- Yakima® Rudder (optional)



Carolina 13.5

Welcome to the family — the Carolina™ family, that is. The Carolina is a cinch to car top since it is just a hair more than 13.5 feet and weighs a measly 49 pounds. On the water it tracks true without the least bit of effort and the shorter length makes it very maneuverable. Just because you are small doesn't mean you are going to carry any less than the average paddler. The Carolina 13.5 can hold its own and then some.

Length: 13' 7" | **Width:** 23" | **Weight:** 54 lbs.

Cockpit: 33x20.25" | **Deck Height:** 10.75"

Total Storage Capacity: 5500 in³

Maximum Load: 275 lbs.



- Molded-in seat
- Camlok™ adjustable back rest
- Aircore™ adjustable lumbar and thigh support
- Padded foam thighbrace
- Dual density cargo hatch covers
- Bow and stern deck rigging
- Keepers™ footbraces
- Yakima® Rudder (optional)



Carolina 14.5 (prototype)

The Carolina 14.5 has proven to be the most popular touring kayak in the world, and for good reason. People love the Carolina 14.5 because of its perfect combination of stability, maneuverability, and tracking. And for this year, we've made it even better. A few small tweaks have made the hull a bit sportier and the cockpit more comfortable. An optional Yakima® Rudder helps with steering when you need it. And whether you're new to the Carolina family or just adding to the pile, you'll love the Comfort Fit™ outfitting with AirCore™ adjustable lumbar and thigh support, and a Camlok™ backrest.

Length: 14' 7" | **Width:** 24.5" | **Weight:** 63 lbs.

Cockpit: 33.75x19.75 | **Deck Height:** 11.5"

Total Storage Capacity: 8600 in³

Maximum Load: 400 lbs.

NEW

DAY TOURING



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Molded-in seat
- Camlok™ adjustable back rest
- Aircore™ adjustable lumbar and thigh support
- Padded foam thighbrace
- Dual density cargo hatch covers
- Bow and stern deck rigging
- Keepers™ footbraces
- Yakima® Rudder (optional)™



Carolina 16.0

This big boy takes the very best of our original Carolina™, increases the cockpit size and height to accommodate the bigger brethren in the paddling family — and calls itself the Carolina 16.0. Adding fifteen inches from Carolina™ 14.5 to the overall length we've increased its volume, as well as created cavernous cargo capacity. The Comfort Fit™ outfitting makes it easy to say yes to day trips or even weekend getaways. Comfort Fit™ outfitting ensures hours of comfortable paddling. An optional Yakima® Rudder helps with steering when you need it. So if the Carolina 14.5 won't hold you, but you still want to experience the nuances that set it apart from its competitors, now you can super-size.

Length: 16' | **Width:** 25.25" | **Weight:** 67 lbs.

Cockpit: 34.5x21" | **Deck Height:** 12.5"

Total Storage Capacity: 11050 in3

Maximum Load: 425 lbs.



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Keepers™ footbraces
- Vertical wall flotation
- Molded-in seat
- Bow and stern deck rigging
- Bow and stern grab handles



Carolina 12.0

You should never wait too long to introduce children to the water. This becomes as easily done as said with the Carolina™ 12.0. Sort of a junior touring boat designed specifically for kids, it's sleek and seaworthy for water rats up to 120 pounds. Integral seat and foam flotation pillars help make it lightweight, so it's easy for small paddlers to handle. The Greenland style hull guarantees sure tracking and enjoyment for the youngsters.

Length: 12' 2" | **Width:** 21.5" | **Weight:** 38 lbs.

Cockpit: 29.5x17.75" | **Deck Height:** 9.5"

Maximum Load: 200 lbs.



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Thermoformed seat
- Camlok™ adjustable back rest
- Aircore™ adjustable lumbar and thigh support
- Padded foam thighbrace
- Dual density cargo hatch covers
- Bow and stern deck rigging
- Keepers™ footbraces
- Yakima® Rudder™



Carolina II 17.5

Sometimes the best way to travel is in pairs. And nothing travels better that way than the Carolina™ II 17.5. The superior wide beam tandem design is unbelievably stable even with the wiggle of a young companion. Gargantuan storage capacity put this vessel to sea with everything you need for a few days — or more, depending on your vacation time. Comfort Fit™ outfitting ensures hours of comfortable paddling. Plus the standard Yakima® Rudder helps with steering when you need it. Of course, as part of the Carolina family, the Carolina II is incredibly seaworthy and easy to paddle regardless of your experience level. Welcome aboard.

Length: 17' 6" | **Width:** 28.5" | **Weight:** 92 lbs.

Cockpit: 34x19" | **Deck Height:** 12.5 / 13.25"

Total Storage Capacity: 11500 in3

Maximum Load: 450 lbs.



- Internal support pillars and durable construction for whitewater strength and safety
- Sealed dry storage compartment
- Dual density hatch cover
- Whitewater outfitting for a secure ride in all conditions
- Retractable skeg system



Enduro 12.5

Everybody wants a boat like the Enduro 12.5. It's one of a very few kayaks suited for both flat water and whitewater, and the secret is in the skeg. Drop it down on the flat stuff, and you'll cruise like you're in a 15-footer. Stow it for the whitewater, and the short length, stable hull, large keyhole cockpit, thigh braces, and minicell support pillars get you through the rapids. Plus, there's a watertight hatch in the stern for your overnight gear. All this versatility makes it the ultimate multi-day river tripper. No matter what type of water you're paddling, you'll know you have the right boat.

Length: 12' 9" | **Width:** 25" | **Weight:** 51 lbs.

Cockpit: 34x19" | **Deck Height:** 13"

Total Storage Capacity: 4700 in3

Maximum Load: 260 lbs.

NEW



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Dual dry storage compartments with flush mounted hatches
- Padded foam thighbrace
- Yakima® Rudder



Eclipse 17.0 Airalite (prototype)

We took two winning ideas and combined them into one winning boat. Eclipse 17.0, meet Airalite™. One of the most capable expedition boats you'll find, with plenty of storage and speed, combines with a state-of-the-art material to result in a lightweight performer at a cost that won't break the bank. Most workhorses aren't this fast or this light. An upswept bow handles big swells, and a flared midsection offers excellent secondary stability that gets even better when it's loaded. The comfortable ergonomic seat means you won't mind spending hours in the cockpit, and the rigid, padded thighbraces ensure reliable responsiveness in all conditions.

NEW

Length: 17' | **Width:** 22.25" | **Weight:** 54 lbs.

Cockpit: 34x19" | **Deck Height:** 13"

Total Storage Capacity: 8850 in3

Maximum Load: 425 lbs.



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Dual dry storage compartments
- Lightweight for easy transport
- Padded foam thighbrace
- Bow and stern deck rigging
- Yakima® Rudder (optional)



Carolina 14.5 Airalite (prototype)

Airalite™ took the paddling world by storm last year. Lighter and stiffer than polyethylene, and at about a third of the cost of composite materials, it just might be the kayak material of the future. What better marriage, then, than this space age construction, and a proven performer like the Carolina 14.5? The boat that invented the day touring category, the Carolina 14.5 is stable, tracks well, cruises efficiently, and paddles easily, whether you're a novice or an old sea dog. Airalite™ adds even more performance to the mix, making a stable kayak with great acceleration and impressive speed. There's more than enough room for your gear with dual dry storage hatches. Featuring our Comfort Fit™ outfitting: a thermofoam seat pad, Camlok™-adjustable backband, bow and stern deck rigging, Keepers™ footbraces, and padded foam thighbraces.

NEW

Length: 14' 6" | **Width:** 24.5" | **Weight:** 49 lbs.

Cockpit: 33.75x19.75" | **Deck Height:** 12.5"

Total Storage Capacity: 8600 in3

Maximum Load: 400 lbs.



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Stern hard hatch cover with bulkhead wall
- Thermoformed seat
- Thermofoam seat pad
- Keepers™ footbraces
- Camlok™ adjustable back rest with Aircore™ adjustable lumbar support



Sundance 12.0 Airalite (prototype)

Open cockpit recreational performance in state-of-the-art Airalite™. The Sundance 12.0 is one of our most popular boats for fishing, bird watching, and photography because of its excellent stability and efficient glide, and the large cockpit allows quick entry and exit and easy access to cameras or your fly boxes. We thought we'd make it even better by offering it in lightweight, durable, stiff Airalite™. The stiffer hull will glide even better than the original, and you'll appreciate the light weight when car topping at the end of the trip.

NEW

Length: 12' 5" | **Width:** 29" | **Weight:** 44 lbs.

Cockpit: 54.5x22" | **Deck Height:** 12.75"

Total Storage Capacity: 3800 in3

Maximum Load: 400 lbs.



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Stern hard hatch cover with bulkhead wall
- Thermofoam seat pad
- Camlok™ adjustable backband
- Padded foam thighbrace
- Keepers™ footbraces



Sonoma 13.5 Airalite

Perhaps the most revolutionary day tourer to top a car, our new Sonoma™ 13.5 features our exclusive Airalite™ technology. Close to Kevlar™ and other composite materials in weight and stiffness, it provides composite-like performance but at a retail price that is much closer to polyethylene. At just over 13 feet, it is an excellent work-out boat for those who insist on true straight-line tracking. Its sleek profile size is also an ideal choice for women and smaller paddlers. Like all Perception™ touring boats, it includes Comfort Fit™ outfitting plus a thermofoam seat pad, Camlok™-adjustable backband, bow and stern deck rigging, Keepers™ footbraces, stern hatch, padded foam thighbraces, retractable bow and stern grab handles.

Length: 13' 8" | **Width:** 22.25" | **Weight:** 41 lbs.

Cockpit: 33.25x18.75" | **Deck Height:** 12"

Total Storage Capacity: 4700 in3

Maximum Load: 250 lbs.



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Thermoformed seat
- Thermofoam seat pad
- Keepers™ footbraces
- High Back seat with Camlok™ adjustable backband



Sonoma 10.0 Airalite

Hmmm. Now what could possibly keep you from saying yes to this sleek, new watercraft. Like the Sonoma™ 13.5, this 10-foot recreational wonder is highlighted by our revolutionary Airalite™ technology. Short. Sweet. And more fun to paddle than most — requiring no one to help with the to and fro part of your outing. Like all Perception kayaks, it is not only very seaworthy and easy to paddle, the Sonoma 10.0 also features Comfort Fit™ outfitting making it similar in comfort to its larger day touring sibling.

Length: 9' 11" | **Width:** 26.25" | **Weight:** 35 lbs.

Cockpit: 37.25x21" | **Deck Height:** 12.25"

Maximum Load: 400 lbs.

It will change the way you paddle.

Especially the part where you beg strangers to help put your boat back on your car.

Here at Perception® paddling is our life. And with that lifestyle comes the relentless challenge of making our kayaks better and better. Mile after paddling mile, we can't help but ask ourselves. How can we make a better boat? And, in the process, we're not adverse to starting a revolution - or two. That's exactly what we did with our break-through Airalite™ Technology. We've incorporated a material that's lighter and stiffer - performing similar to fiberglass - yet every bit as durable as plastic. It's priced like plastic, too.

Materials

- Airalite™ kayaks are co-extruded high-impact acrylic over premium impact ABS. Airalite™ is the same materials used in whirlpools, spas and some marine parts - strong proof that it's a long-lasting material that will stand up to any type water.
- This material creates a kayak that's light and stiff like fiberglass with the durability and price of plastic. Airalite™ Technology perfectly meets the unique demands put upon the hull and deck.
- Airalite™ is also formulated with adhesives for additional flexibility and UV resistance.

Muscle

- Three times more stiff than polyethylene with the tensile strength that's 40 percent stronger. The trade-off is that the impact strength is lower compared to polyethylene. So don't take it off Bridal Veil Falls. Treat it like its a fiberglass boat.
- The kayak's adhesive is stronger than the Airalite material itself - 5,000 pounds in lap shear. Therefore, overall boat strength is superior.

Weatherability & Durability

- Deck material has the highest rating for weatherability.
- Hull material is engineered to provide a higher scuff resistance and impact strength.
- Cleans up easily with mild soap. For tough spots, try alcohol.

Fire & Ice

- Heat deflection is 180 degrees, so don't get it too close to the campfire. You can't reshape it like polyethylene.
- As with all plastics, temperatures below 0° reduce impact strength. Never the less, Airalite™ kayaks are good cold-water performers - as long as long as you avoid sliding them off two-story igloos.

"Great Lookin' Kayak"

- Airalite™ Technology imparts superior gloss, creating a shine so brilliant it shouldn't be viewed by the naked eye.
- Unlike some plastics, Airalite™ can be painted. So when you get the urge to show off your artistic talents, your only worry is the censorship board.





- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Seat back pad with Aircore™ adjustable Lumbar Support
- Camlok™ adjustable Hi-Back backrest
- Thermofoam seat pad
- Bow and stern deck rigging
- Drain plug
- Keepers™ footbraces



Sundance 9.5

The Sundance™ 9.5 is the smallest and most nimble of the our new Sundance™ family. Resembling a touring kayak in design but with "super-sized" knee room, the Sundance is ideal for lakes and ponds. It is the perfect boat for first time paddlers or anyone who's looking for a light and easy kayak that's stable and fun to paddle. The bow and stern deck rigging give you lots of options for storing gear and the standard Comfort Fit™ outfitting ensures your comfort while you're trying out this thing we call paddling.

Length: 9'5" | **Width:** 29" | **Weight:** 40 lbs.

Cockpit: 42.25x22" | **Deck Height:** 12.5"

Maximum Load: 350 lbs.



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Large stern dry storage area with sealed bulkhead
- Dual-density hatch cover
- Seat back pad with Aircore™ adjustable Lumbar Support
- Camlok™ adjustable Hi-Back backrest
- Thermofoam seat pad
- Keepers™ footbraces



Sundance 12.0

"Take the Sundance 9.5 and add some speed and better tracking to the mix and you have the Sundance 12.0. Like the Sundance 9.5, it is ideal for lakes and ponds, but is also at home on slow moving rivers. It features a large mouth cockpit that offers comfort and easy access. The stern storage compartment gives you greater flexibility for carrying gear below deck should the opportunity for an extended trip presents itself. The Sundance 12.0 is also available in camo coloring for the outdoorsman looking to blend in with the natural world."

Length: 12' 2" | **Width:** 27.5" | **Weight:** 52 lbs.

Cockpit: 56x22" | **Deck Height:** 12"

Total Storage Capacity: 3800 in³

Maximum Load: 400 lbs.



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Thermofoam seat pads
- Adjustable Hi-Back backrests with thermofoam back pads
- Keepers™ footbraces
- Bow deck rigging
- Kid's seat
- Yakima® Rudder (optional)



Sundance II 15.0*

The Sundance™ II 15.0 is a tandem kayak designed specifically for couples and families. This boat is no stranger to stability and comfort. Features such as a large cockpit and equally large seats make it an easy place to spend the better part of your recreational free time as well as offering comfort, convenience and great gear storage. Just in case you want to take a solo trip, the boat can be paddled solo by sliding the bow seat back to the middle of the boat. So get to it and go. An optional Yakima® Rudder makes it even easier to turn.

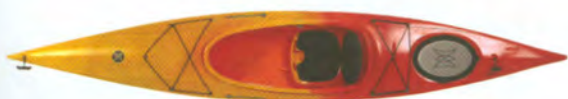
Length: 15' 4" | **Width:** 29" | **Weight:** 76 lbs.

Cockpit: 92x19.75" | **Deck Height:** 12.75"

Maximum Load: 500 lbs.



Photo by Onne Vanderwal



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Molded-in seat
- Hi-Back backrest
- Camlok™ adjustable backrest
- Thermofoam seat and back pad
- Dual density cargo hatch cover
- Keepers™ footbraces



America 13.5

The America 13.5 excels on all types of water: lakes, ponds, calm rivers, this boat can do it all. Entry-level paddlers will appreciate its stable, straight-line tracking. As your skills progress, this boat is capable of more advanced moves such as geometry-defining turns on command. The cavernous cockpit and large seat accommodate paddlers of almost any size. Standard features like the Wide mouth™ 16" stern hatch provide plenty of storage for a weekend with the family.

Length: 13' 3" | **Width:** 26.75" | **Weight:** 58 lbs.

Cockpit: 47x21" | **Deck Height:** 12.5"

Total Storage Capacity: 4750 in3

Maximum Load: 450 lbs.



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Drain plug
- Bow and stern grab handles
- Stern deck rigging
- Dual tracking channels
- Hi-Back seat with back pad
- Keepers™ footbraces



Swifty 9.5

Short and sweet, the Swifty 9.5 is our most popular recreational kayak. Extremely stable and easy to paddle, it's what we call an easy access boat. Anyone can get into it and have fun on ponds, lakes, or mild rivers. It maneuvers great, tracks well, and features built in flotation and the hull has dual tracking channels. Plus deck rigging on the stern lets you stow gear in an easily accessible place. In short, this is your introduction to the kayaking experience.

Length: 9' 5" | **Width:** 29.29" | **Weight:** 39 lbs.

Cockpit: 42.5x20.25" | **Deck Height:** 12"

Maximum Load: 350 lbs.



- Comfort Fit Outfitting™
- Drain plug
- Bow and stern grab handles
- Dual tracking channels
- Hi-Back seat with back pad
- Keepers™ footbraces



Sparky 9.5

This boat takes the popular design of the Swifty™ 9.5 and puts it into a more economical package. But it's a challenge to discern the sacrifices. On the contrary, it comes with a high back seat, Keepers™ footbraces and even a cup holder. So grab it in one hand (it's only 38 pounds), your paddle in the other and head down to the lake. You never knew paddling could be this much fun or affordable.

Length: 9'5" | **Width:** 29" | **Weight:** 39 lbs.

Cockpit: 42.25x20.25" | **Deck Height:** 12"

Maximum Load: 350 lbs.



Photo by Ornie Vanderwal

SIT-ON-TOPS



- Softech™ customizable seat pad
- Keepers™ footbraces
- Stern storage well for bait container
- Molded-in center compartment tackle box
- Yakima® Rudder



Bimini 15.0

The extremely stable Bimini™ 15.0 is designed especially for fishing. The deck is rigged so that you can easily add rod holders, a compass, paddle clips or an anchor. The roomier seat fits full-sized fisherman comfortably. Other features include: Comfort Fit Outfitting, Softech™ customizable seat pad, Keepers™ footbraces, a stern storage well for a bait container or cooler and a molded-in center compartment for tackle. Big fish not included.

Length: 15' 3" | **Width:** 27.75" | **Weight:** 69 lbs.

Maximum Load: 450 lbs.



- Softech™ customizable seat pad
- Keepers™ footbraces
- Deck mounts for thigh straps, seat, and paddle leash
- Large bow and stern hatches with gear straps



Illusion 14.0

If you liked the stable, true-tracking design of the Prism, you will appreciate the Illusion™ 14.0 as well. Built on the design of our most popular sit-on-top means that this boat comes outfitted for any expedition. Perfect for fishermen who need a steady platform. Its stable design allows you even sit sideways and not overturn. Its raised deck combined with its bow and stern hatches provide all the storage you could need for tackle, camping equipment and a portable stove for a tasty shore lunch of fresh-caught fish.

Length: 14' 4" | **Width:** 27" | **Weight:** 61 lbs.

Maximum Load: 350 lbs.



- Ergonomic molded-in seat
- Molded in foot wells
- Quick flow self-bailing hull
- Stackable for easy storage



Aloha 8.5

Pass the poi, Mahalo! Paddle out for wave-riding fun in this lightweight, user friendly surf machine. Stack a couple of them on top of the woody for a weekend at the beach. The soft contours of the deck make climbing on and off friendly on your bony bits. Molded in footrests and deck loops for backbands and thigh straps offer comfort and performance. Something this stable and easy to paddle shouldn't be this fun. But it is.

Length: 8' 6" | **Width:** 26.75" | **Weight:** 37 lbs.

Maximum Load: 225 lbs.

NEW



- Bow, stern, and side carry handles
- Accessory eyelets
- Large storage well with Tight Lock security straps™



Koho 9.5

The Koho 9.5 lets the smaller-framed of us head out on excursions of any length. Its soft contoured deck means climbing on and off, even in your SCUBA gear, is a snap. A dry storage hatch up front gives you room for stuff you need to keep dry, and shock cord deck rigging and a huge recess in the stern with cargo straps keep an air tank or a cooler handy. Deck-mounted accessory loops let you attach thigh straps and a backrest to enhance your performance and comfort.

Length: 9' 8" | **Width:** 27" | **Weight:** 40 lbs.

Maximum Load: 190 lbs.

NEW



- Bow, stern, and side carry handles
- Accessory eyelets
- Large storage well with Tight Lock security straps



Koho 11.5

Like its little brother the 9.5, the Koho 11.5 is a touring kayak suited for just about any trip you want to take, except it's sized for the larger paddler. A straight-tracking hull gets you where you want to go, and a dry compartment up front, shock cord deck rigging, and SCUBA tank/cooler well with cargo straps combine to make sure your stuff gets there with you. Stop off on the way to check out a reef, and then climb back on with ease. Body friendly deck contours make it a snap.

Length: 11' 2" | **Width:** 28.25" | **Weight:** 52 lbs.
Maximum Load: 310 lbs.

NEW



- Accessory eyelets
- Large stern storage well with Tight Lock security straps
- Bow and center dry storage compartments



Lanakai 12.5

Grab a friend and a couple of paddles and head out for a day of fun on the water. The Lanakai is great fun in the surf, but tracks straight and paddles efficiently enough to take you and someone dear to you just about anywhere you want to go. Its long lines make long trips pass quickly and dual storage hatches and cooler/cargo straps ensure that once you arrive, you have what you need. Use the deck-mounted accessory loops to add seats and thighbraces for even more long-distance comfort and performance. Or go without - and you have the perfect SCUBA platform.

Length: 12' 8" | **Width:** 33" | **Weight:** 72 lbs.
Maximum Load: 450 lbs.

NEW



Photo by Cameron Lawson

CONSERVATION

There's only one thing more essential to kayaking than a kayak, and that's water. Healthy rivers, lakes, streams and oceans are important to us as people, as paddlers and as inhabitants of the planet. That's why we as a company, we do everything we can to protect and preserve the resource. When you purchase a Perception product, you're helping us to support numerous conservation efforts.

SAFE PADDLING

Like all watersports, paddling can be dangerous if you exceed your personal limits or the capability of your boat – so obtain proper paddling instruction from your local Perception dealer or paddling club before venturing out on your own. Always wear a Coast Guard-approved Flotation Device, and use a helmet when running rivers. Then, be sure to use the buddy system and never paddle alone. Carefully supervise children, and never, ever let them paddle alone. Remember, substance abuse and paddling don't mix – and can sometimes be fatal. Finally, read your owner's manual – and call us if you need another.

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