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spend every second smiling

Sometimes it seems like the things you do to “live life to the fullest” can just wind up making it even more complicated. For over 30 years, Perception has been helping people bring that little bit of simplicity back to their lives and share it with the ones they love.

Our heritage of performance, dependability, and versatility is born out of our respect for our customers and for the outdoors. We know that with the right kayak you can build a life time of memories, and we want those memories to be available to everyone. That's why we make the best quality models for the money you'll find anywhere.

Flipping through an old photo album always brings a smile to your face that won't go away, as you recall a simpler place. Since then, maybe the balance of personal time, family time, and work has tilted in the wrong direction. Maybe now's the time to start thinking about those blank pages that you haven't filled yet and what you'll be doing in them.



You're now ready to find some water in a kayak, and not just any will do. Perception puts you in to the right kayak for your lifestyle, whether it's spending time with the family, relaxing alone, going on the adventure of a life time, or simply adding some excitement to your exercise routine. What are you waiting for? Start experiencing the thousands of places and journeys that a kayak can take you. Make the next chapter of your story even better than the last. Once you're on the water, you'll see your stress fade away, but your smile never will.



how to choose a kayak

When choosing your perfect kayak, there are many factors to take into consideration. We recommend talking to your local Perception dealer to help with this decision. Information provided here will help you understand our kayak line and steer you in the right direction.

STEP ONE: PADDLING STYLE

Where do you want to kayak and what will you be doing? Perception kayaks fall into 3 categories. Each category has the right combination of size options, outfitting, gear, storage, and performance features for the intended uses outlined in the chart below.

ATTRIBUTES	RECREATIONAL	TOURING	SEA KAYAKING
IDEAL TYPES OF WATER	Ponds, small lakes, bays, slow moving rivers	Lakes, bays, moving rivers, currents, limited ocean use	Lakes, bays, moving rivers, rougher currents, ocean
TRIP DURATION	Day trips (less than 15 kms)	Day or weekend trips (less than 30 kms)	Day or weekend trips, expeditions
SKILL LEVELS	Beginner to intermediate	Intermediate to Advanced	Intermediate to Advanced
GEAR STORAGE	Low	Moderate	Moderate to High

STEP TWO: PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

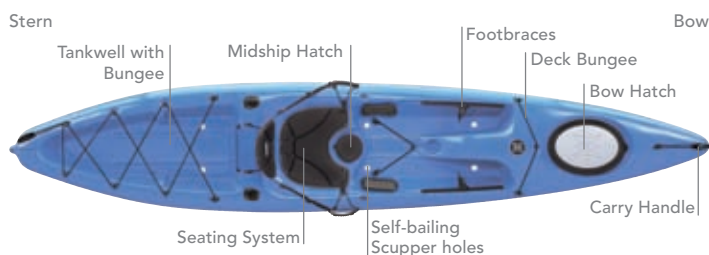
Once you've gotten a general idea of your paddling style, you are able to narrow it down more precisely by understanding the performance characteristics that are typical for each category. Below is a chart of how each performs relative to the other categories in each characteristic.

CHARACTERISTIC	RECREATIONAL	TOURING	SEA KAYAKING	DEFINITIONS
STABILITY	Best	Better	Good	Stability – general capability of boat's resistance to tipping over under normal conditions.
SPEED / GLIDE	Good	Better	Best	Speed / Glide – boat's efficiency moving through the water and potential for higher velocity.
TRACKING	Better	Best	Good	Tracking – boat's ability to stay in a straight line.
MANEUVERABILITY	Good	Better	Best	Maneuverability – boat's ability to turn easily and precisely.

STEP THREE: FEATURES AND OUTFITTING

Once you've decided on a kayak model or two that fits your needs, looking at the features and outfitting can help in making your decision.

SIT-ON-TOP KAYAK



COCKPIT: Cockpit outfitting is key to finding the best fit for comfort, safety, and control. Look for inclusion of a thigh brace or backrest, and adjustability if you will be doing longer trips or kayaking rough conditions. Pay attention to cockpit size to ensure it fits your body type.

HATCHES AND BULKHEADS: Located at either end of the boat, the hatch is the opening to store gear and the bulkhead is the vertical wall that seals the compartment. Also a great safety feature providing buoyancy to the boat.

DECK RIGGING: Deck lines, bungees, and toggles add safety and convenience for certain types of paddling. A spare paddle, compass, navigational charts, and other items can be readily available on deck.

RUDDER: A mechanical device at the stern of the boat that is foot controlled and can aid in both steering and tracking.

Finally, we offer a variety of sizes in all of our kayak categories to comfortably accommodate paddlers of all proportions. The best way to ensure the right fit is to schedule a demo with your local dealer.

SIT-IN KAYAK





Recreation Kayaks

Fun on the water for everyone – it's what our recreation kayaks are all about. But what makes a Perception different is that we want kayaking to be part of your active lifestyle, which doesn't happen in a slow, bulky boat. Our recreational kayaks offer speed, control, and comfort you'd never expect, with the manageability and stability you do. Once you've paddled one out on the lake, you'll wish next weekend was here already.



ACADIA SCOUT 10.0

Childhood memories that last a lifetime don't happen in front of the TV. That's why the Acadia Scout is designed just for kids in every way. The lowered deck is the perfect height for visibility while the hull isn't too wide to paddle easily around lakes and ponds. Add in the speedy design and simple, tough outfitting and this trip's one for the photo album.



FEATURES: Adjustable Back Band • SlideLock Footbrace System • Soft Touch Handles

Capacity: 150 lbs / 68 kg
 Length: 10' / 305 cm
 Width: 23" / 58 cm
 Deck Height: 10.5" / 26 cm
 Boat Weight: 25 lbs / 11 kg
 Cockpit Length: 28" / 71 cm
 Cockpit Width: 18" / 46 cm



IMPULSE 10.0

Coming for 2010/2011.



FEATURES: Comfort Seating System • SlideLock Footbrace System • Stern Tankwell Rigging • Mold-In Bow & Stern Handles • Mold-In Dashboard w/Bungee • Tankwell w/ Scuppers

Note: Details and features are subject to change when the model is released.

Capacity:
 Length: 10' / 305 cm
 Width:
 Deck Height:
 Boat Weight:
 Cockpit Length:
 Cockpit Width:



ACADIA 11.5

Ready to get into paddling, but worried your only options are bulky and uncomfortable recreational boats? Then quit worrying, pack the picnic, and head to the lake in the Acadia 11.5. It offers the stability you'll need, but the shallow V-hull delivers unexpected speed. Instantly after sitting in the comfortable, adjustable Zone outfitting system, you'll know you made the right choice.



FEATURES: Zone padded Seating System • SlideLock Footbrace System • Oval Dual Density Stern Hatch • Bow Deck Rigging • Soft Touch Handles • Stern Bulkhead

Capacity: 365 lbs / 166 kg
 Length: 11'3" / 343 cm
 Width: 28" / 71 cm
 Deck Height: 13.5" / 34 cm
 Boat Weight: 48 lbs / 22 kg
 Cockpit Length: 38" / 97 cm
 Cockpit Width: 21" / 53 cm



PESCADOR 12.0

The ultimate versatile sit-on-top kayak. Paddle it, surf it or fish it. Multiple hatches, paddler comfort and rigged to do just about anything you want.



FEATURES: Keeper™ Footbraces • Two 6" Hatches • Stern Deck Rigging • Paddle Parks • Oval DD Hatch • CSS Seat System • Comfort Carry Handles

Optional rudder kit available.

Capacity: 350 lbs / 159 kg
 Length: 12' / 366 cm
 Width: 28" / 71 cm
 Boat Weight: 60 lbs / 27 kg



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PRODIGY II 14.5T

Coming for 2010/2011.



FEATURES: Zone DLX® Knee Pad with Inner/Outer Cockpit Brace Options (Large & Small) • Tandem Footbraces (stern) • SlideLock Footbrace System (bow & solo position) • 10" Dual Density Stern Hatch • Bow and Stern Deck Rigging • Soft Touch Handles • Stern Bulkhead • Replaceable Keel Skid plate

Optional rudder kit available.

Note: Details and features are subject to change when the model is released.

Capacity:
 Length: 14.5' / 442 cm
 Width:
 Boat Weight:

The Tribe

Family Fun on the water has never looked or performed this good. Price-conscious paddlers who love the active lifestyle and have their sights set on adventure will love the Tribe sit-on-top family. Great for rough surf, ocean, lakes, ponds, and even lazy rivers.





TRIBE 9.5

An affordable, easy to manage, and great looking sit-on-top, the most surprising thing about the family-oriented Tribe 9.5 is how great it paddles. Offering fun performance in surf and rough ocean conditions, it's also speedy and maneuverable on flat water and lazy rivers. With built-in side handles, bow and stern carry handles and a shorter design, carrying and car topping is a breeze.



Features: Molded-In Seat • Molded-In Footwells • Tankwells with Bungee • Mold-In Side Handles • Soft Touch Handles • Replaceable Keel Skid plate • Stackable • Self-Bailing Scuppers

Capacity: 300 lbs / 136 kg
Length: 9'5" / 287 cm
Width: 31.25" / 79 cm
Deck Height: 16.25" / 41 cm
Boat Weight: 47 lbs / 21 kg
Seating Well Length: 53" / 134 cm
Seating Well Width: 20.5" / 52 cm



Colours available as per those above of the Tribe 9.5.

TRIBE 11.5

A great all-around sit on top for paddlers small or large, the added length of the Tribe 11.5 gives a boost of speed and extra storage. This means you'll go even further and hit the surf even better. Beginners or veterans will find the Tribe a joy to paddle in both choppy water and flat water conditions such as lakes or lazy rivers.



Features: Molded-In Seat • Molded-In Footwells • Tankwells with Bungee • Mold-In Side Handles • Soft Touch Handles • Replaceable Keel Skid plate • Stackable • Self-Bailing Scuppers

Capacity: 350 lbs / 159 kg
Length: 11'5" / 348 cm
Width: 30.25" / 77 cm
Deck Height: 16" / 41 cm
Boat Weight: 51 lbs / 23 kg
Seating Well Length: 53" / 135 cm
Seating Well Width: 19" / 48 cm



Colours available as per those above of the Tribe 9.5.

TRIBE 13.5 T

Three's company in the Tribe 13.5 tandem. The versatile sit-on-top design features a 3-seat configuration for up to two adults and a small child or pet. Other features include self-bailing scupper tubes as well as bow and stern storage areas with bungees to safely secure gear such as backpacks, picnic baskets and coolers. Paddling solo is also no problem from the center seat.



Features: Molded-in Seats • Small Molded-In Center Seat • Molded-In Footwells • Tankwells with Bungee • Soft Touch Handles • Replaceable Keel Skid plate • Stackable • Self-Bailing Scuppers

Capacity: 500 lbs / 226 kg
Length: 13'5" / 408 cm
Width: 33.75" / 86 cm
Deck Height: 17" / 43 cm
Boat Weight: 68 lbs / 31 kg
Seating Well Length: (B) 52" / 132 cm
(S) 46.5" / 118 cm
Seating Well Width: (B) 22" / 56 cm
(S) 20" / 51 cm



Touring Kayaks

Open up even more of the exciting possibilities kayaking has to offer by developing your skills and expanding your environments in a Perception touring kayak. These kayaks are designed for more performance, a tighter fit, and more capacity than recreational kayaks, but offer predictable handling so beginners or experts can venture on longer excursions on more types of water.



TRIBUTE 12.0 AIRALITE

The rugged outdoors get a makeover with the sleek design of the Tribute 12.0 Airlite. And this time looks aren't deceiving, this one's a true performer with stiff, ultralight construction that gives great control and speed for smaller paddlers.



FEATURES: Zone DLX Seat • Zone Knee/Thighpad • SlideLock Adjustable Foot Braces • Kajak Sport Stern Hatch • Bungee Deck Rigging • Soft Touch Handles • Stern Bulkhead

Capacity: 240 lbs / 109 kg
 Length: 12' / 366 cm
 Width: 24.5" / 62 cm
 Deck Height: 13.5" / 34 cm
 Boat Weight: 34 lbs / 15 kg
 Cockpit Length: 35" / 89 cm
 Cockpit Width: 19.5" / 49 cm



CAROLINA 12.0

The most versatile touring kayak ever created is in a category of its own. This day or weekend tripper is a performance machine, with great acceleration and speed. The soft chined and V-shaped hull offers stable, smooth paddling. The 12.0 is the perfect size to easily load and offers dry storage for gear to make the most of its capabilities.



FEATURES: Zone DLX Seating System • Zone Knee Pad with Inner/Outer Cockpit Brace Options • SlideLock Footbrace System • 10" Dual Density Bow Hatch / Oval Dual Density Stern Hatch • Bow and Stern Deck Rigging • Soft Touch Handles • Bow and Stern Bulkheads

Optional rudder kit available.

Capacity: 275 lbs / 125 kg
 Length: 12' / 366 cm
 Width: 26" / 66 cm
 Deck Height: 14.5" / 37 cm
 Boat Weight: 50 lbs / 23 kg
 Cockpit Length: 39.5" / 100 cm
 Cockpit Width: 21.5" / 55 cm



CAROLINA 12.0 AIRALITE

Kayaking never looked or performed this good. The speed and maneuverability the Carolina is renowned for gets a boost from the innovative Airlite construction, offering a lightweight and more responsive ride from added stiffness. The two-tone design gives a sleek look that turns heads all day long.



FEATURES: Zone DLX Seating System • Zone Knee Pad with Inner/Outer Cockpit Brace Options • SlideLock Footbrace System • 10" Dual Density Bow Hatch / Oval Dual Density Stern Hatch • Bow and Stern Deck Rigging • Soft Touch Handles • Bow and Stern Bulkheads

Capacity: 275 lbs / 125 kg
 Length: 12' / 366 cm
 Width: 26" / 66 cm
 Deck Height: 14.5" / 37 cm
 Boat Weight: 43 lbs / 20 kg
 Cockpit Length: 39.5" / 100 cm
 Cockpit Width: 21.5" / 55 cm



CAROLINA 14.0 WITH RUDDER

A little more can take you a long way in this 14 foot Carolina. More speed and even better tracking compliments the added storage space for longer distances or extended weekend camping. The added rudder keeps windy conditions from standing in the way of your destination by giving added control.



FEATURES: Zone DLX Seating System • Zone Knee Pad with Inner/Outer Cockpit Brace Options • Keepers Rudder Footbrace System • 10" Dual Density Bow Hatch / Oval Dual Density Stern Hatch • Bow and Stern Deck Rigging • Soft Touch Handles • Bow and Stern Bulkheads • Rudder

Max Capacity: 300 lbs / 136 kg
 Length: 14' / 427 cm
 Width: 24.5" / 62 cm
 Deck Height: 14.5" / 37 cm
 Boat Weight: 59 lbs / 27 kg
 Cockpit Length: 39.5" / 100 cm
 Cockpit Width: 21.5" / 55 cm



CAROLINA II 17.5 WITH RUDDER

Take tandem paddling from fun to exciting. Any skill level can rely on this ultra-stable kayak due to the innovative wide beam design. Ready for lakes and ponds, the touring design is also sea worthy, equipped with rudder for rougher conditions. With ample storage, pack for two and head out for a long weekend.



FEATURES: Adjustable Back Rest • SlideLock Footbrace System • Oval Dual Density Midship Hatch / 10" Dual Density Stern Hatch • Bow and Stern Deck Rigging • Soft Touch Handles • Midship and Stern Bulkheads • Rudder

Max Capacity: 450 lbs / 204 kg
 Length: 17'6" / 533 cm
 Width: 28.5" / 72 cm
 Deck Height: 12.5" / 32 cm, 13.5" / 34 cm
 Boat Weight: 92 lbs / 42 kg
 Cockpit Length: 34" / 86 cm
 Cockpit Width: 19" / 48 cm

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BEAT WITH PADDLE AND PADDED BACKREST

fitted with an adjustable backrest for added comfort and control for those wanting even more performance.

A super versatile compact, lightweight and stable sit on top kayak that excels playing in the surf or cruising calm waterways. Comes



FEATURES: Molded-in Seat and Footrests • Self Bailing Drain Holes • Bow and Stern Carry Handles • Molded-in Side Carry Handles • Accessory Deck Loops • Drain Plug • Water Bottle Tray • Cup Holder • Stern Storage Tray • Paddle • Padded Backrest

Capacity: 231 lbs / 105 kg
Length: 8'7.5" / 263 cm
Width: 29.5" / 76 cm
Boat Weight: 34 lbs / 15 kg
Cockpit Length: 48.5" / 123 cm
Cockpit Width: 16.5" / 42 cm



BLAST WITH PADDLE

for a versatile kayak that's easy to load & transport and wants the comfort of a padded seat and padded adjustable backrest.

The Blast offers simplicity and stability, in a compact, user-friendly design. Ideal for a wide range of conditions from calm, protected waters to easy whitewater. It's perfect for all ages of paddler looking



FEATURES: • CSS padded seating • Slidelock footbrace system • Bow and stern deck rigging • Comfort carry handles.

Blast Angler is also available.

ANGLER FEATURES: • Scotty Bait Caster/Spinning Rod Holder • 2 x Flush Mount Rod Holders • Anchor Kit

Capacity: 300 lbs / 136 kg
Length: 9'6" / 290 cm
Width: 30" / 76 cm
Depth: 14" / 36 cm
Boat Weight: 36 lbs / 16 kg
Cockpit Length: 40.5" / 103 cm
Cockpit Width: 22.5" / 57 cm



ACADIA 470

onto the roof of a car. Innovative dual channel hull design will track you there without a care. Featuring a handy 40 litres of storage in the rear compartment.

If you're looking for the practicalities of a canoe but still want the comfort and ease of use of a recreational kayak, the Acadia 470 could well be what you're looking for. It's lightweight, so it's as easy to handle on the water as it is to load



FEATURES: • CSS padding seating • Keepers footrest • Circular dual density stern hatch • Bow deck rigging • Soft touch handles • Stern Bulkhead • Rudder • Adjustable front seat can be positioned in centre of boat for single paddler

Capacity: 595 lbs / 270 kg
Length: 15.5' / 470 cm
Width: 32.5" / 83 cm
Boat Weight: 53 lbs / 34 kg



ECLIPSE 16.0

The Eclipse 16 is an outstanding expedition touring design that addresses the needs of smaller paddlers and women. It is designed to bring control, speed and stability to the smaller paddler.



FEATURES: Touring Comfort Fit System™ • Thermoformed adjustable ergonomic seat • Camlok™ adjustable backband • Padded seat and backband • Keepers™ footbraces • Precision adjustable thigh braces • Flush mount hatch covers w/neoprene seals • Security bar • Reflective perimeter deck rigging • Bow and stern deck bungee • Rudder

Capacity: 325 lbs. / 147 kg
 Length: 16'1" / 490 cm
 Width: 23.5" / 59.5 cm
 Deck Height: 13" / 33 cm
 Boat Weight: 58 lbs./ 26 kg
 Cockpit Length: 34" / 86 cm
 Cockpit Width: 19" / 48 cm



ECLIPSE 17.0

With its outstanding combination of initial stability and speed, the Eclipse 17 is the all around platform that has helped many people explore so many beaches, oceans and bays.




FEATURES: Touring Comfort Fit System™ • Thermoformed adjustable ergonomic seat • Camlok™ adjustable backband • Padded seat and backband • Keepers™ footbraces • Precision adjustable thigh braces • Flush mount hatch covers w/neoprene seals • Security bar • Reflective perimeter deck rigging • Bow and stern deck bungee • Rudder

Capacity: 425 lbs. / 193 kg
 Length: 17' / 518 cm
 Width: 22.75" / 58 cm
 Deck Height: 13" / 33 cm
 Boat Weight: 62 lbs./ 28 kg
 Cockpit Length: 34" / 86 cm
 Cockpit Width: 19" / 48 cm

Colours may vary slightly from those shown in catalog. Colour combinations (Flame, Blue/White, Camo) will vary from those shown in catalog and are unique for each boat we produce. Variations in colour are not covered by warranty.

Polyethylene expands and contracts with changes in temperature and humidity. Actual dimensions can vary from those shown in the Specifications Charts due to molding process and/or exposure to extreme hot or cold temperatures. Slight variations are not covered by warranty. Specifications and features are subject to change.

 Indicates kayak is Australian Made

All Perception kayaks are covered by 3-Year Limited Warranty. Some limitations apply.

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