You Have a Story That's Worth Telling

The race to live life to the fullest can sometimes leave you running on empty. Sometimes the most rejuvenating moment is just shared simplicity. For over 30 years, Perception has been helping people bring that little bit of simplicity back into their lives and share it with the ones they love, one paddle stroke at a time.

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 write a story worth telling, with moments worth sharing. We want those moments to be available to everyone. That’s why we make the best quality models at a value unmatched by any other in the industry.

Maybe now is the time to start thinking about the next chapter in your story and who you want to share it with. Which moments will stand out? What will you discover? We want to hear all about it. Let Perception make this chapter a great one.
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 kayak differences 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.

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### STEP TWO: PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

There are a variety of design factors affecting performance and many kayaks share features with more than one category. The chart below will help you compare how you want to paddle with the typical performance attributes of each category relative to the others.

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GO TO WWW.PERCEPTIONKAYAKS.COM

Click “Products.” Click “Kayak Selector.” Find your kayak and contact your local Perception dealer!

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The story behind our recreational kayaks is simple – fun on the water for everyone. Our recreational kayaks offer speed, control and comfort you’d never expect, with the manageability and stability you do. It’s amazing how simplicity can make you so interesting.
ACADIA SCOUT 10.0 | $399
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 stability 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.

ACADIA II 14.0 | $829
It’s true; getting out on the water in a tandem with a friend, the family, or even the dog is as fun as you think. Don’t do it in just any kayak, pick the most fun recreational tandem on the market. Three comfortable, sliding seats for all sized paddlers and a high seat back combine with signature Acadia series performance to share the adventure.

PRODIGY 10.0 | $499
This is what made recreational kayaking such a popular outdoor pastime. From lakes to slow-moving rivers, the no-hassle Prodigy 10.0 is ready to get on the water, easy to throw on your car and easy to store. And it’s affordable, so there’s nothing keeping you from your active lifestyle. Upgraded seating and storage systems make the 2011 Prodigy 10.0 one of the most comfortable and best performing kayaks in its class.

ACADIA 11.5 | $679
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 setting in the comfortable, adjustable “Zone” outfitting system, you’ll know you made the right choice.

PRODIGY 12.0 | $699
Explore what’s a little farther from land – load up the watertight storage compartment for that all-day trip in a Prodigy 12.0. Or maybe just relax and bring your bird watching or fishing gear. Efficient performance and exceptional comfort in the upgraded seating and storage systems help you make the most of any day.

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More than a kayak with extra seats, The Prodigy II 14.5 is a completely unique experience with families and partners in mind. Outfitting features a pair of ergonomic and comfortable seats with thigh padding and multiple adjustment options for both paddlers, including an “on the fly” movable bow seat that adjusts to pets, kids, or to go solo. With performance inspired by the much-loved, swift and speedy Prodigy, it’s the tandem everyone’s been asking for.

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SPECs:
- Max Capacity: 150 lbs / 68 kg
- Length: 10’ / 305 cm
- Width: 24.5” / 62 cm
- Cockpit Width: 23” / 58 cm
- Height: 10.5” / 26 cm
- Weight: 26 lbs / 12 kg
- Deck Height: 13.75” / 35 cm
- Bungee Deck Rigging
- Molded-in Seat with Soft Touch Handles
- Adjustable Tandem Seating
- Kid seat
- Stern Bulkhead
- Stern Hatch
- Comfort Carry Handles
- Skid plate

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**SEARCH 13.0 | $829**

Find out what versatility means in the sit-on-top kayak designed for adventurous paddlers. Packed with features and gear storage options, you can take it all with you. Check out a swimming hole and climb back on, ride the surf, bring the fishing gear, the dog, or just stretch your legs and relax in comfort. Engineered with speed and tracking, but with stability for beginners.

**TRIBE 11.5 | $599**

A great all-around sit on top kayak 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.

**SEARCH 15.0 | $899**

Take the barbecue out of the backyard. Get the performance of the Search 15.0 with a host of additional storage features and comfortable seating in the roomy Search 15. Fire-up the grill on shore while you reel in that big catch, and experience all the adventure that versatile sit-on-top kayaks can offer – and more.

**TRIBE 13.5 | $699**

There’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 low 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.
CAROLINA 12.0 | $869
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.

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FEATURES:
- Zone DLX Seat
- Zone Knee/Thighpad
- SlideLock Adjustable Foot Braces
- Bow and Stern Hatches
- Bungee Deck Rigging
- Soft Touch Handles
- Bow and Stern Bulkheads

SPECS:
- Max Capacity: 275 lbs / 125 kg
- Length: 12' / 366 cm
- Width: 26” / 66 cm
- Deck Height: 14.5” / 37 cm
- Boat Weight: 49 lbs / 22 kg
- Cockpit Length: 39.5” / 100 cm
- Cockpit Width: 21.5” / 55 cm

CAROLINA 14.0 WITH RUDDER | $1169
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.

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- *Tandem Footbrace (stern) Keepsers Rudder Foot Brace

SPECS:
- Max Capacity: 300 lbs / 136 kg
- Length: 14’ / 427 cm
- Width: 24.5” / 62 cm
- Deck Height: 14.5” / 37 cm
- Boat Weight: 57 lbs / 26 kg
- No Rudder: 53 lbs / 24 kg
- Cockpit Length: 39.5” / 100 cm
- Cockpit Width: 21.5” / 55 cm

CAROLINA II 17.5 WITH RUDDER | $1699
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.

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FEATURES:
- Padded Seats with Adjustable Backrests
- Keepsers Rudder Foot Brace
- Stern and Center Hatches
- Bungee Deck Rigging
- Soft Touch Handle
- Stern and Center Bulkheads
- BTS Rudder

SPECS:
- Max Capacity: 450 lbs / 204 kg
- Length: 17’6” / 533 cm
- Width: 28.5” / 72 cm
- Deck Height: 12.5” / 32 cm
- Boat Weight: 92 lbs / 42 kg
- Cockpit Length: 34” / 86 cm
- Cockpit Width: 19” / 48 cm

Discover abounding possibilities and expanding environments in a Perception touring kayak. Predictable yet advanced performance takes beginners or experts a step beyond recreational kayaks. Surrendering to possibility never felt so liberating.
The rugged outdoors get a makeover with the sleek design of the Tribute 12.0 Airalite. 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.

The Tribute 14.0 is set to become the most desired kayak for women or smaller paddlers of all experience levels. Added length gives a nice boost in speed, and the roomier cockpit and upgraded Zone outfitting is fun for short trips, and even more efficient and comfortable for longer excursions.

Roll up the yoga mat and take the workout to the outdoors! The Tribute is specially engineered for smaller framed paddlers, but unlike others in its class, maintains performance and roomy comfort. With good tracking, maneuverability, and surprising speed, there’s no better recreational kayak for that cardio exercise or a full day of paddling.

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**EXPEDITION KAYAKS**

There’s no room for boundaries when you’re pushing the limits of kayaking. Whether it’s a multi-day expedition, or the technical handling needed for rough conditions, our kayaks offer an athletic grip on all types of water, so nothing’s holding you back.

**ESSENCE 16.5**

The thrill and performance of expedition kayaking isn’t just for experts. The predictable handling of the Essence 16.5 gives women or smaller paddlers all the tracking and maneuverability needed for that great expedition in a stable, comfortable package. Drop the skeg and open up a whole new level of excitement that pushes your abilities.

**FEATURES:**
- Zone EXP Seat
- Adjustable, Padded Thigh Braces
- SlideLock Adjustable Foot Braces
- Kajaksport Bow, Center, & Stern Hatches
- Bungee Deck Rigging
- Soft Touch Handles
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- TTS Skeg

**SPECS:**
- Max Capacity: 325 lbs / 147 kg
- Length: 16'6" / 503 cm
- Width: 22.25" / 57 cm
- Deck Height: 15.5" / 39 cm
- Boat Weight: 69 lbs / 32 kg
- Cockpit Length: 30" / 76 cm
- Cockpit Width: 19.5" / 49 cm

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**ESSENCE 16.5 AIRALITE**

Innovative Airalite construction unleashes the full performance capabilities of the Essence 16.5 with less weight and even tighter control. For those longer journeys, this design is focused on efficiency, tracking and stability to provide a paddler with a boat that is not only very predictable, but also offers splendid edge control in a light-weight package.

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