

PADDLESPORTS

BUYING GUIDE

How To Choose The Right Watercraft For You

SIT-ON-TOP KAYAKS

- ≈ **Freedom of movement** and full range of motion
- ≈ **Self-Draining:** No need to pump out water
- ≈ **Easy to climb in** from the water
- ≈ Great for **keeping cool** in warm weather



SIT-IN KAYAKS

- ≈ Must **climb in from the shore** or carry a bilge pump
- ≈ **Shelters** your lower body
- ≈ Preferred in **colder conditions**
- ≈ **Increased maneuverability**



TANDEM KAYAKS

- ≈ One kayak for **two people**
- ≈ Easier to train **new paddlers**
- ≈ **Simple to transport**
- ≈ **Faster** on the water



ANGLER KAYAKS

- ≈ **Cost-effective** compared to a motorized boat
- ≈ **Rod holders** and **storage** for fishing gear
- ≈ Allows you to **troll while paddling**
- ≈ Fish in **out of reach areas**



PADDLEBOARDS

- ≈ **Multi-Purpose:** Paddling, yoga, and other activities
- ≈ **Low-impact exercise**
- ≈ **Helps with balance**
- ≈ **Burns a lot of calories**



THINGS TO CONSIDER

LENGTH

LONGER kayaks travel faster

SHORTER kayaks are more maneuverable

WIDTH

WIDER kayaks offer more stability

NARROW kayaks are faster



TRANSPORTATION

FROM THE HOUSE TO THE WATER

Transport kayaks with your car, truck or SUV. *Smaller cars often need attachments to carry kayaks.*

FROM THE CAR TO THE WATER

Make sure you can handle the weight when lifting, or have a friend to help.

STORAGE

To maintain your kayak, store in a garage, shed, or covered area.



CAPACITY

Make sure you fall within the kayak's weight capacity

