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In 2019, there was a surge in the popularity of kayaking that [pushed sales up 85%](#). Unfortunately, it got to the point that a good kayak was a hard item to find as the uptick in popularity ate up available inventory. To magnify problems, there was a decrease in supply due to covid restrictions that were in effect around the world.

Now, as we go into Summer 2022, inventory is arriving back in stock and we expect the demand to remain high. We think that we are over the hump with inventory shortages, but only time will tell. If you have a Sea Eagle Kayak as a priority we would recommend that you research and buy as soon as you can make a decision.

If you are new to the sport or struggle to get your hardshell kayak onto your rooftop carrier, you should look into an inflatable kayak. Specifically, you should try out a Sea Eagle Inflatable Kayak. Sea Eagle has been in the inflatable watersport business for over 50 years and their name is very highly respected.

When it comes to high quality inflatable kayaks that are built to last look no further. The durability of Sea Eagle kayaks proves they are the clear #1 choice for serious paddlers.

You can trust Sea Eagle kayaks whatever your interest: family touring, exercise, fishing, or white water. They make a wide selection of inflatable kayaks and there is sure to be one that is perfect

for your needs.

Keep reading to learn more we'll discuss the history of Sea Eagle, go into the advantages of inflatable kayaks, and see why a Sea Eagle Inflatable Kayak might be perfect for your adventures.

## Sea Eagle History

The company famous for durable inflatable boats was originally a mail-order lure company in New York. You may be familiar with the [Panther Martin lures](#) that are part of the Sea Eagle family business.

Interestingly, according to the son of the company's founder, it took more than a decade for the inflatable boats to catch on. Sea Eagle inflatable boats were first brought to market in 1968. There were unique challenges with selling inflatable boats initially, but they have grown into a widely trusted brand.

According to Sea Eagle President Cecil Hoge, unlike lures, inflatable boats build their reputations on what they don't do rather than what they accomplish. That's the exact opposite of Sea Eagle's lure business.

A lure develops a reputation because when it is cast, a fish gets caught consistently. When you catch a lot of fish with a lure you know that it is one that at least one species of fish finds attractive. Sometimes a lure will work with several species which makes things easy.

A boat and more importantly, an inflatable boat, builds a reputation by not developing holes in white water, not having their seams seem to rip, and not being a pain to carry and inflate.

Initially, the company sold what would become Sea Eagle kayaks from a French company. The product was the Pyrawa Inflatable Kayak, and it became a modest success. The inflatable kayaks were originally sold through Sears & Roebuck, LL Bean, Eddie Bauer, Eastern Mountain Sports and others.

As detailed by Hoge, complications with the French manufacturer forced Sea Eagle to switch to another manufacturer. That maker brought the PVC composite material that would allow Sea Eagle to make incredibly durable kayaks.

The company made several inflatable boats and pool toy products at that time. By the 1980s, the company was behind inflatable boat makers Zodiac, Achilles, and Avon.

However, the company would become a real player when they changed from traditional orange and blue to grey and blue and remade their lines of boats into the sturdier PVC composite. Despite the boats being more expensive due to the petroleum shortages of the 1980s, the boats were a hit because they were marketed as motor mount boats, among other reasons.

Today, the Sea Eagle brand brags twelve different kayaks, five stand-up paddleboards, seven fishing boats, seven runabout boats, and a canoe. Also, the brand has made a name for itself because of its boats' durability, affordability, and convenience.

## Why Choose an Inflatable Kayak?

The biggest pros for inflatable kayaks is that they are easy to transport and easy to store. Inflatable kayaks are usually half to a quarter of the weight of a plastic or wood kayak and can be stored in about 1/10th of the area that a standard kayak takes up.

Hard kayaks are more rigid to move and sometimes less forgiving when pressed up against hard items like river rocks or downed trees. Inflatable kayaks are also much easier to carry, which comes in handy if you are hiking or camping.

Also, an inflatable kayak can compress into the trunk of your car and does not need a rooftop or pull behind trailer system for your vehicle. This also means that you can store the boats in a closet at your home, even if you live in an apartment with limited storage space.

Overall the convenience of an inflatable kayak is unmatched compared to a traditional kayak.

## Stability and Durability

Sea Eagle kayaks are designed to take shocks, bumps, knocks, and pokes. They can take a collision with external objects, and if you are a first-time white water kayaker, you won't leave a bruise when you bounce around on the inside.

[Sea Eagle kayaks](#) have interlocking fibers across their seams so that they won't split from extended wear and exposure to sunlight. Believe it or not, the PVC composite on the outside of inflatable kayaks is more durable than hardshell kayaks because there's more give when they strike objects.

Some people don't credit inflatable boats with much stability. However, inflatable boats and SUPs generally have a broader base, making them the best fit for beginners and those that don't have a lot of experience.

## You Get What You Pay For

Many people are attracted to inflatable kayaks because they are less expensive than their hardshell counterparts. However, if you are not buying a brand like Sea Eagle, you may find that the lower price comes with lower construction standards. Look now further than this [Sea Eagle Kayak Torture Test](#) for more proof.

Also, you may find that some lower-quality inflatable kayaks are tough to control in normal conditions, much less in rough water or high winds, without rudders or fins to help guide the boats. Sea Eagle kayaks will outlast and outperform any other inflatable kayak on the market today.

## Carry the Load

Because Sea Eagle kayaks rely on air compartments and not solely on water displacement, an inflatable kayak can handle a much heavier load than a hardshell kayak.

Also, touring inflatable Sea Eagle kayaks have more than one compartment so that a single puncture won't sink this durable brand of inflatables. If you watched the torture test video you will see that punctures are highly unlikely.

## Variety of Products

Sea Eagle has kayaks that are great for flatwater, oceans, fishing, touring, and more. We are going to tell you about a some of them, but there are many more. Check out the full line of Sea Eagle Kayaks [here](#).

One of our personal favorites, as well as many of our customers, is the [Sea Eagle Razorlite 393RL Kayak](#). This was the world's first inflatable kayak featuring an all drop-stitch design. This allows it to outperform other inflatable kayaks by cutting through the water like a razor! The larger Sea Eagle Razorlite 473RL can hold two kayakers, plus gear, and is always ready for an adventure.

One of the most popular Sea Eagle kayaks is the SE370. You can set this kayak up for one or two people, and it can be inflated, set up, and ready to go very quickly.

A shorter version of the SE370 is the SE330. The boat might be smaller, but can still handle 500 pounds and is rated to up to Class III rapids. This boat is perfect for solo or tandem adventures in almost any condition.

Another great Sea Eagle choice is [the 385FT FastTrack](#). This longboat can handle up to three people. In addition, it can be modified to take a sail and used along with a motor. The FastTrack is a great all-around kayak for any of your flat water or light white water pursuits.

If fishing is what you are looking to do in your kayak, the [Sea Eagle 350Fx Inflatable Fishing Kayak](#) and the [Sea Eagle 385fta Inflatable Fishing Kayak](#) are both excellent choices. Both will give you a great fishing experience that will have you coming back for more!

## Sea Eagle Is a Perfect Choice

Sea Eagle has been selling inflatable kayaks since the 1960s and has built a reputation for durability, convenience, and customer service. Plus, Sea Eagle kayaks are affordable and come in a styles to fit almost any desire. Pound for pound they are the best inflatable kayaks known to man.

Do you want to know more about Sea Eagle kayaks? [Contact us today](#) to learn more, we are here to help you find the perfect Sea Eagle Kayak for you!