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AIR GLIDE  
INFLATABLE KAYAK

USER GUIDE



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# UNPACKING

1. Open the carton, being careful not to cut it open too deep, so as not to cut or puncture the board contained inside the carton.



2. Upon opening the carton, check contents to ensure the following are all inside:
  - 1x Air Glide Inflatable Kayak
  - 1x Hand pump + hose
  - 1x 9" skeg / fin
  - 1x 4-Piece paddle (or 2x with 410 & 473 models)
  - 1x hi-back comfort kayak seats (with rear pouch) (or 2x with 410 & 473 models)
  - 1x Ballstic Weave Nylon Bag with 3x rugged wheels
  - 1x Repair Kit (2x PVC patches & 1x valve removal tool)
  - 1x Foam footrest (or 2x with 410 & 473 models)

# INFLATION

1. Unroll your kayak on a flat surface, such as on sand or grass.



2. Unscrew the valve covers on the kayak,
3. Connect the pump hose to the valve of the floor section with a simple push and turn clockwise until it is securely in place.
4. Stand the pump on flat ground and place both feet on the footrests, then begin to pump using nice, long pushes down and up. This ensures maximum air is pumped on every stroke, whilst not over exerting yourself in the process. Note: The pressure gauge needle will not register until around 5-6 psi mark.
5. Once you reach 10psi, as shown on the pressure gauge, remove the hose from the valve by simply turning anti-clockwise and pulling away, in one swift movement.
6. Repeat steps 3 - 5 for the remaining 2 side wall sections.
7. The kayak will look like the image to the right when inflated.

**TIP: Inflating the kayak to the optimal pressure is what gives it's rigidity.**

**NOTE: If leaving kayak out in the sun or on hot days, be sure to let the pressure down to around 6/7psi.**



## FIN SET UP

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1. Slide the fin into the fin box, the dorsal pointing toward the stern (rear) of the kayak.
2. Gently push and wriggle the fin back toward the end of the fin box.
3. Slide the fin keeper into the slot that runs underneath the fin, with the teeth facing up toward you. This secures the fin in place.
4. When complete, the fin and fin direction should appear facing like the following image:



# RUDDER & FOOTREST SET UP

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A great new addition to our Air Glide inflatable kayaks is the addition of a rudder system, greatly improving your kayaks manoeuvrability. If you have purchased the optional foot controlled rudder system from Bay Sports, check that you have in the carton the following items:

- 2x Black footrests with sliding track rail
- 4x M6 Screws (to secure footrest onto kayak)
- 2x Carabiners (to clip onto the rudder)
- 2x Nylon rope (to attach footrest on one end and the carabiners on the other)
- 1x Rudder
- 1x Black rope + 2x Red balls (to attach to rudder system so you can raise/lower rudder whilst seated)
- 1x Allen key

## SETUP INSTRUCTIONS

1. Inflate the kayak to around 6-7 psi (as inflating to 9-10psi may make the screw and screw plate misaligned by a couple of millimetres).
2. Line up the black footrest screw holes with the 2x white screw base plates on the inner kayak wall.
3. Secure the footrest in place with 2x screws per footrest using the allen key.



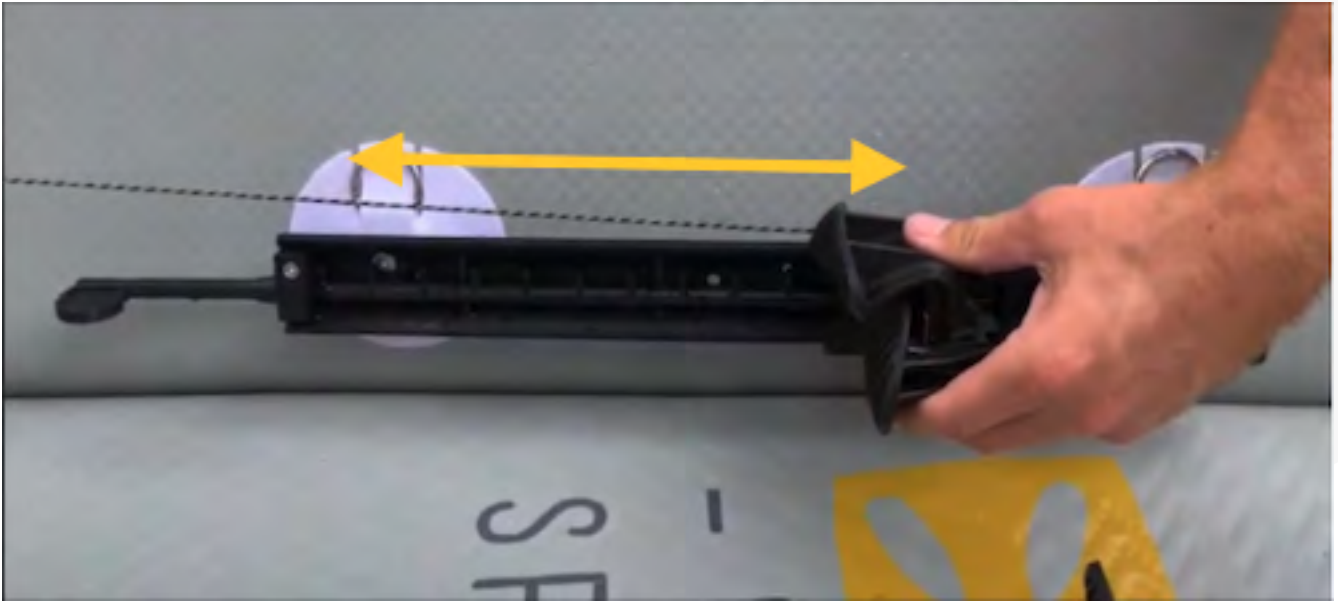
4. Feed the nylon rope through the footrest as shown:



5. Attach your kayak seat.



- Now adjust the position of the footrests to the optimal position based on your height. Simply lift the lever, slide the footrests back or forward along the track rail, and push the level back down to lock your footrest securely in place.



- Feed the nylon cable through the D-rings all the way down to the rudder, including through the D-rings atop the rear storage area





8. Clip the carabiner onto the rudder wing, and feed the nylon cable through so that there is tension on the cable.



9. Proceed to tie off the cable, keeping tension on the cable.



10. There should be enough tension on the cable so that the top piece of the footrest is pulled forward as shown below. This allows you to get the maximum range of movement from your rudder system.



# HOW TO INSERT WATER DEFLECTOR

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1. Insert one end of the white plastic piece into the slit located underneath the canopy:



2. Gently bend the plastic into an S shape, so you can insert the other end of the white plastic piece into the opposite slit



3. Push gently to pop the plastic piece up into the arched position as shown:



## DRAINAGE

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The best way to drain the water out from the kayak is to simply flip it upside down, and then tilt the kayak, rocking it back and forth for the water to run out. Another easy way is via the drain plug located at the nose of the kayak which you can use to drain water out of the kayak also. Simply unscrew the plug and place the kayak on something so that it is on an angle, for the water to run down the kayak and out the drain plug hole.



## DEFLATION & PACKING AWAY

1. Remove the seats and fin first (and the rudder + footrests if you have them), then unscrew the valve covers on the kayak.
2. Simply push the valve down to lock the valve in the open/deflate position. The air contained within the kayak will immediately begin to exit.
3. Lifting the kayak up on it's side, push the bottom floor of the kayak inward, so that you're essentially folding the kayak in half, width ways.
4. Then kneel or lay down onto the kayak, using your body weight to expel air out of the kayak, for approximately 15 seconds or so.
5. Now the kayak is flattened (and still the full length) begin folding starting at the rear end of the kayak, each fold approximately 90cm apart.
6. Using the strap as (shown in image below), close the buckle and pull the strap to tighten the package. It makes it easier when putting the kayak back into its bag.

**TIP: Push all 3 valves again to set them back to the closed/inflate position, otherwise next time you go to inflate your kayak all the air will come gushing out!**

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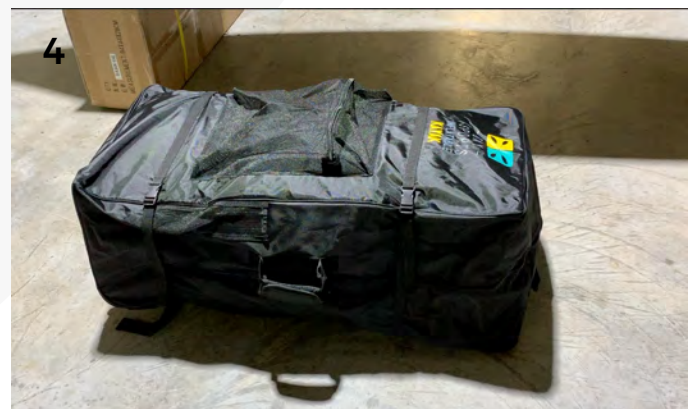
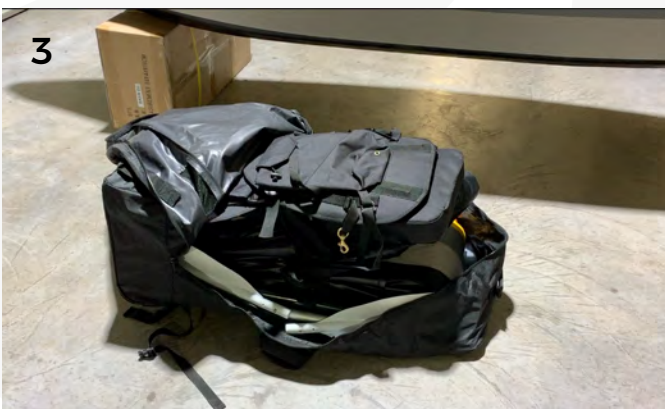


# STORAGE

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The advantage of inflatable kayaks is their compact nature. You can stow it away under the deck of your boat, in the boot of your vehicle, or neatly away in a home cupboard.

- 1. Before Storing:** Rinse the kayak, fin, paddles, seats & leash in fresh water, and where possible, allow them to dry out.
- 2. Storing Inflated:** Leaving the kayak inflated is absolutely fine however where possible, store it out of direct sunlight as it may cause fading over a prolonged period. When not using the kayak, it is recommended to reduce the pressure to under 9psi.
- 3. Storing Deflated:** If storing the kayak for prolonged periods deflated and rolled up, it is ideal to keep it loosely rolled if possible.



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