

# Black Spring

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# About Black Spring Kayaks

After multiple trips across the world, the founder team got a bit upset about the kayaking industry situation, that kayaks are becoming either one time use products or way too expensive for limited user groups. Combining the team's industrial experience and capability, we decided to make a difference via Black Spring.

As a new generation of kayak maker, Black Spring Kayaks targets at contributing innovation and supply reliability to the kayaking industry. To achieve so, we listen to the markets, work with experienced designers, gather engineers, test and evolve.

We hope paddlers have real fun with Black Spring products.

Most kayak and fitting designs are originally completed by renowned designer Celliers Kruger. His wealth of experience combined with Black Spring's thorough market research resulted in kayak designs that are spot-on.

We believe with fast evolving pace, Black Spring products will entertain users by her outstanding designs, quality and service.

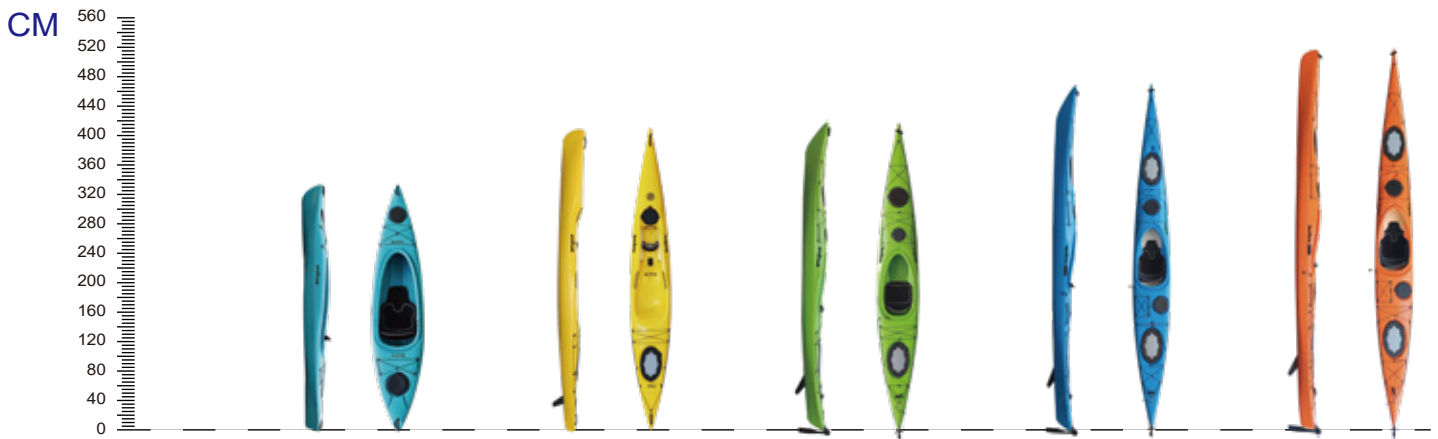
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# General Kayak Specs.





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Kayak model	Bunny 335	F425	Bingo 430	Pearl 501	Strait 530
Length	335 cm	425 cm	430 cm	501 cm	530 cm
Width	72 cm	60 cm	63 cm	56 cm	54 cm
Height	35 cm	34 cm	36 cm	35 cm	35 cm
Standard weight	24 kg	24 kg	26 kg	28 kg	29 kg
Bow hatch size	8"round	8"round	10"round	44x26 oval	44x26 oval
Bow hatch volume	33 L	86 L	59 L	68 L	72 L
Stern hatch size	10"round	44x26 oval	44x26 oval	44x26 oval	44x26 oval
Stern hatch volume	62 L	108 L	90 L	76 L	78 L
Cockpit size	132x57 cm	O	95x49 cm	95x49 cm	92x49 cm
Lunch hatch size	O	O	6"round	8"round	8"round
Day hatch size	O	O	O	8"round	8"round
Day hatch volume	O	O	O	24 L	31 L
Overstern rudder	O	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional
Understern rudder	O	Nylon+TC4 shaft	O	O	O
Skeg system	Optional	O	Optional	Optional	Optional
Bulkhead	2	3	2	3	3
Footrest	Nylon	Carbon	Nylon	Nylon	Nylon
Loading capacity	135 kg	120 kg	135 kg	135 kg	145 kg
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# Bingo 430

The Bingo 430 is a short touring kayak in the Black Spring line-up, but it offers a full range of features and it is surprisingly fast for its length. The stability and responsiveness of the hull, combined with the volume distribution on the deck, makes the Bingo 430 extremely versatile.



## Deck Design

The sweeping lines of the deck scream classic touring kayak. Many important features have been incorporated into the design without making the deck look cluttered.

One standout feature is the paddle cutaways, making it easier to have an efficient paddle stroke without hitting the deck with the paddle. It also make the kayak feel slim and cosy when paddling, despite the ample width and stability of the hull.

The front deck features a 10" round hatch, big enough to fit most things into the bow that you would want to take on an excursion. What doesn't fit into the bow, will certainly fit into the stern through the 440x26cm oval hatch. In front of the cockpit is also a small 6" hatch with a moulded-in pocket, big enough for keys and snacks.

Two paddle holders are offered: one in front of the cockpit, where the paddle can be secured with a bungee, and one behind the cockpit which is quite handy when re-entering the kayak after a capsized.



## Hull Design

The hull has a shallow V and soft edges, making it track well when paddling straight, while it is very maneuverable when edging. It has a generous rocker profile that climbs over waves with ease, and makes surfing swells a breeze.

The wider hull gives enough stability for even the most timid beginner, and the impressive secondary stability instills confidence. Experienced paddlers will enjoy these same features if they want to take the **Bingo** 430 into rougher environments, which the design is more than capable of.







# F425 Surfski



The F 425 surfski is a true pocket rocket. it is on the short side for a surfski, but it carries enough speed for experienced paddlers to enjoy in rough conditions, while having all the stability that a beginner needs to get into surfski paddling. On top of that, it boasts hatches front and back, making it a double up as a touring kayak too.



## Deck design

Everything on the deck revolves around efficiency.

The ergonomic cockpit design enables hours in the seat, great for training and long-distance touring. The large cutaway design in front of seat allows for a more efficient forward paddling stroke. A large oval hatch on the stern deck turns the surfski into a nifty touring kayak. A smaller round hatch in front of the cockpit allows for the storage of smaller items in the bow too, which is essential for proper trimming of the hull when the stern is loaded.



## Hull design

The rounded hull and soft edges create a smooth ride in turbulent conditions, with just enough of a keel towards the bow and stern to cut through the water and help tracking. It has a long waterline, making it fast for its length. The aggressive, high volume bow punches through waves with ease. The stern has a lot of volume right behind the seat to create stability when going through waves, while tapering towards the end for more controlled surfing of swells. Whether you are an absolutely beginner worrying about staying upright or an experienced paddler looking for a stable craft to hone your surf zone skills, the width of the **F 425** combined with the voluminous rails creates an extremely stable ride.

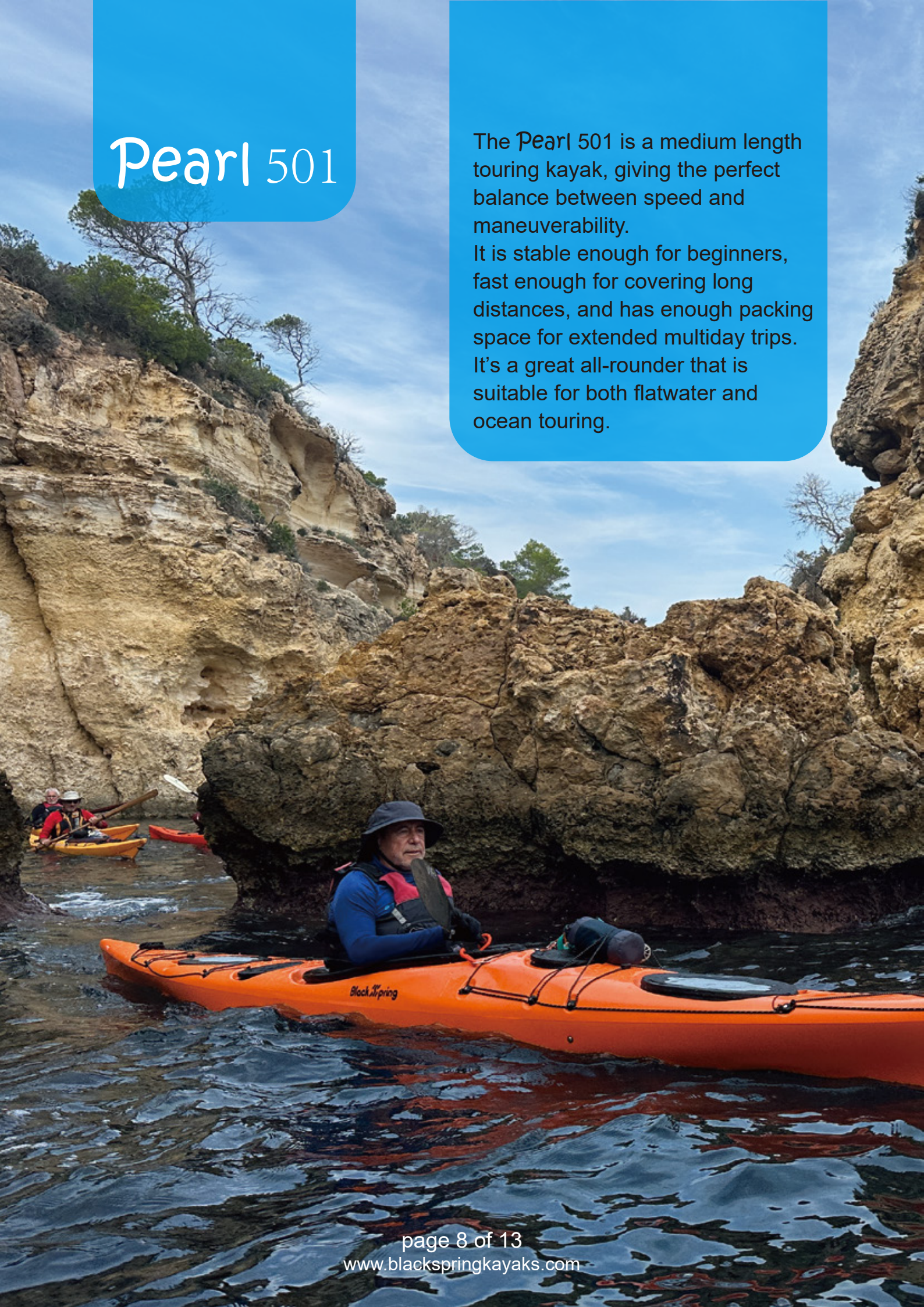




# Pearl 501

The Pearl 501 is a medium length touring kayak, giving the perfect balance between speed and maneuverability.

It is stable enough for beginners, fast enough for covering long distances, and has enough packing space for extended multiday trips. It's a great all-rounder that is suitable for both flatwater and ocean touring.





## Deck design

The deck offers everything you could look for in a touring kayak.

The relatively low deck minimizes wind sensitivity, while also making rescues and re-entering easier. The paddle cutaways in front of the cockpit enables efficient paddle strokes close to the hull. Both the front and back deck feature 44x26cm oval hatches, which give access to ample storage space for long expeditions. An 8" round hatch behind the cockpit gives access to a day hatch too. In front of the cockpit is also a 8" hatch with a moulded-in pocket for a phone and snacks. We call it the lunch box. The positioning of the bungees on the front and back deck have been optimized through years of experience, including a bungee system behind the cockpit for paddle float rescues. Safety deck lines, toggle handles, a compass pocket and two security bars round off the deck.



## Hull design

The soft V and rounded edges gives a smooth ride in calm and rough conditions. Keeping it flat, the hull holds its course. Put it on edge, however, and it turns with precision. The hull has moderate rocker; enough to climb over waves easily, but not so much that speed is compromised. The width and hull profile creates good stability, making the **Pearl** 501 a good option for beginners who are buying their first real touring kayak. At the same time, the stability is appreciated by experienced paddlers who want to cruise for hours on end without having to worry about stability when the going gets tough.





# Strait 530

The Strait 530 is the longest and fastest touring kayak in the Black Spring line-up. It is surprisingly stable for a kayak this fast, while it has ample packing space for extended expeditions.

It is sleek enough to be used as a fitness training kayak, but it really comes into its own as a flatwater and ocean touring kayak where long distances need to be covered while loaded with gear.





## Deck design

The deck is fully featured with everything a true touring kayak requires, while keeping the deck free of clutter. You can call the **Strait** 530 a lean machine! The deck was designed for maximum storage space while keeping wind sensitivity in mind. The front and back deck sport 44x26cm oval hatches, giving access to the large internal spaces for extended expeditions. A separate day compartment behind the cockpit is access through a 8" round hatch. The moulded-in lunch box in front of the cockpit has a 8" hatch, with storage for a phone and snacks. The deck also features a compass pocket on the front deck, as well as a bungee system behind the cockpit to enable paddle float rescues. The deck is rounded off with strategically-placed bungee cords front and back, safety deck lines, toggle handles and a security bar.



## Hull design

The hull is surfski-inspired, with a full-length waterline. The bow is designed to cut through waves, but with enough volume to climb over waves when conditions require it. The shallow V and soft edges ensure a predictable ride, while the rocker profile offers the best compromise between agility and good tracking. The hull is stable enough for most beginners. At the same time, more experienced paddlers will enjoy the ability to keep cruising in difficult conditions without concerns about stability.

The **Strait** 530 is standard fitted with a rudder, while a drop-down skeg is available too.





# Bunny 335



The Bunny 335 combines exceptional stability with a fluid glide, making it a versatile kayak that is at home on lakes, inland waterways and ponds. It is super easy to maneuver, while the optional drop-down skeg provides good racking when needed.



## The design

**Bunny** 335 is designed for recreational purposes, however, when you ride on it, you will love its swift speed too.

The cockpit is extra-large, accomodating even the largest paddler. Ample storage in the bow and stern is accessed through 10" hatches, with bungees on the front and back decks adding even more storage options.

Comfortable carry handles and a paddle-holder groove in front of the cockpit finishes off the design, making **Bunny** 335 the ideal compact kayak for recreational paddlers.



Although such short single kayak may not need skeg system, we make it optional for better tracking requests.

Despite its setting of entry level recreational kayak, fundamental safety is well assured by using 2 bulkheads for stern and bow hatches.

2 grooves are designed on the flat U hull for max stability, as well as for the seat and hull strength.

The seat, backrest and footrests are all adjustable for different sized users. The seating system is fully padded with compression molded EVA pad, a bottle holder is designed on the seat for most water bottle sizes.





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