



**SOUTHAMPTON BOAT SHOW  
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PREVIEW**

**JOHNSON OUTDOORS UK  
STAND H009**

At this year's show Johnson Outdoors UK is exhibiting great value sit-on-tops, canoes and kayaks with exciting new models being shown for the first time. There will be a great choice of user friendly affordable craft offering everyone opportunities to get afloat.

There are versatile family canoes, sit-on-tops and sport kayaks from world leading brands such as **Ocean Kayak**, **Old Town** and **Necky**. Also for kayak fishermen or those interested in getting started in this hugely popular sport, there is the dedicated kayak fishing section. Star of the dedicated kayak fishing section is the new **Ultra 4.3** which is fitted out to a fantastic specification and was designed by the Ocean Kayak team in conjunction with a top America's Cup engineer and professional kayak anglers.

The latest designs from Ocean Kayak are the **Tetra** series which are sleek and sporty sit-on-tops perfect for day trips, kayak angling or just as fun all round boats. Families looking for an affordable canoe will be delighted with the new **Saranac 160 series** which has lots of user friendly built-in features and integral buoyancy.

Necky will be launching a great starter kayak with the new **Rip 12** and for distance paddling there is the new **Necky Vector 14** sit-on-top which offers the performance of a sit-inside touring craft. All Johnson Outdoors craft are car-toppable and there is plenty of friendly advice available on choosing the right boat for you and your budget.



**Each year Johnson Outdoors UK has one of the most colourful stands at the Show and a huge range of canoes, kayaks and sit-on-tops will be on display**



## NEW PRODUCTS THIS YEAR

Five UK launches will take place at the Show:

### **The Necky Rip 12**

If you're looking to get into kayaking don't miss the new Necky Rip 12. With its roomy cockpit this is an ideal, user friendly craft for beginner and intermediate paddlers. It is easy to get in and out of a Rip and new paddlers can feel comfortable and confident as they develop their skills on the water. This new model is the big brother to the original Necky Rip and with a length of 12 feet (3.66m), it is 18" (46 cm) longer than its predecessor and slightly narrower.



**With the Necky pedigree behind it, the new Rip 12 is a recreational kayak which delivers performance at an affordable price**

The increased waterline and trimmed beam allow you to move faster across the water with a sharp keel giving even more glide. Unlike other recreational kayaks, the Necky Rip 12 also boasts superior build quality which includes stern and bow bulkheads so the hull is very strong but is still lively and responsive.

### **The Vector 14**

The Vector 14 is a sit-on-top which paddles like a sit-inside touring craft. Perfect for day touring and overnight stays, it offers performance, versatility and stability. With its long waterline length, fine entry at the bow and shallow stern to eliminate drag, the Vector 14 glides effortlessly through the water. The low centre of gravity of the hull means it is very stable when carrying touring equipment and there is plenty of storage for gear. The unique touring backband is like a sit-in kayak style back rest which gives all day paddling comfort.



**The Vector 14 sit-on-top paddles like a sit-inside kayak and has a unique seat for added comfort (above)**



Specialist kayaking techniques are not required with this sit-on-top tourer making it suitable whatever your level of paddling expertise.

### The Tetra Series

Ocean Kayak are introducing the new **Tetra series** (right) which are sleek and sporty and quite unlike any other Ocean Kayak sit-on-tops on the market. Perfect for day trips, kayak angling or just as great all-round boats to enjoy on the water they are available in 10'8" (3.25m) or 12'1" (3.68m) lengths.



The new Tetra series from Ocean Kayak. The Angler edition (below) has a special centre hatch, the top of which can be used for mounting fishing equipment

Each model comes with the Comfort Hybrid seat back which is easily adjustable to suit all shapes and sizes. The extended seat back height gives additional lumbar support and the whole seat is attached to the kayak so it won't move under you. The seat folds back for storage and can also be easily removed if necessary. For stowing kit there is a Quick Seal bow hatch which has a large cover sealed with a neoprene gasket. A rudder can be fitted as an optional extra and the Angler edition of the Tetra includes two flush mounted rod holders, angler graphics and the Rod Pod II centre console hatch. This angling hatch can be used for mounting rods, tackle trays and other fishing equipment.



### The Ultra 4.3

The latest model in the dedicated kayak fishing section is the new **Ultra 4.3** (below). A top America's Cup engineer, designers from Ocean Kayak and professional kayak anglers have all been involved in its design. The Ultra series sets the standard in fishing kayaks for others to follow and Richard Karn from Team New Zealand was the expert brought in to optimize the speed and performance of this new hull. With his design input the Ultra 4.3 is much faster than you would expect from a boat this length.



The Trident Ultra 4.3 is a fast hull packed with features. Optional accessories include the Ice Box Storage Pod (right)



When paddling it feels like you are in a fishing kayak with a much longer waterline, although in reality this is a wonderfully compact and sleek design package. The Ultra 4.3 is a shorter and lighter version of the Ultra 4.7 which was introduced last year. This makes it easier to handle off the water but for fishing it also has new and modified features on board. A bespoke version of the seat which has received much acclaim in the Necky Vector range of kayaks ensures a really comfortable ride too.

### **The Saranac 160 series**

When the first Saranac canoes were introduced at the show last year they became an instant hit by offering so many built-in features and such outstanding value for money. Now there are exciting new additions to this popular range from Old Town. The new Saranac 160 designs (below) are longer and slightly wider than previous Saranac models offering even more space on board.



Old Town had started afresh with the Saranac range by taking a traditional design and incorporating all the benefits that modern manufacturing techniques offer. This produced a hull shape which is not only great to paddle but has foam buoyancy integral in the seats and lots of moulded in extras. As well as two contoured seats, there's a centre bench seat which is perfect for smaller passengers and has an insulated box inside for storage and a 6" screw in hatch in the centre console for keys etc.

There are moulded in storage trays, moulded in handles and a fishing rod holder in the centre. Further moulded in flush mounts for either fishing rods or an anchor system are at the bow and stern. The new 160 series is available in standard, XT or Angler editions; the Angler edition has anchor and rod mounting features for fishing.

**The Saranac 160XT has all the standard moulded in features plus padded seats with adjustable seat backs**



### Fun boats at great prices

In addition to the new products there will of course be many other craft to choose from whether you want some fun at the beach, to go kayak camping or undertake more adventurous touring. One of the versatile craft on display will be the Ocean Kayak stand-up paddleboard (SUP), the Nalu (below). It can be paddled when seated or standing and in SUP mode offers good exercise by giving you a full body workout. It is very stable so is ideal for the entry level paddler and there is even a special dual purpose paddle from Carlisle called the Taboo which can be adjusted to suit the user's height and used when standing or seated.

**The Nalu stand-up paddleboard (SUP) from Ocean Kayak is one of the many versatile leisure craft on display. Available in 11' and 12.5'.**



### BOATS AT THE SHOW

#### **Ocean Kayak:**

Frenzy 9'2.7m £349; Kea 8'11''/2.5m £329; Mysto 9'9''/3.0m £369; Malibu 2 12'/3.7m £499; Malibu 2XL 13'4''/4.1m £599; Nalu 11'/3.3m £449; Nalu 12.5 12'6''/3.8m £499; Scrambler 11 11'6.5''/3.6m £499; Tetra 10 10'8''/3.25m (New) £TBC; Tetra 12 12'1''/3.68m (New) £TBC; Venus 10 9'10 £489; Venus 11 10'8''/3.3m £549 ; Yak Board 8'/2.4m £319



**The Mysto is just one of the great value sit-on-tops**

#### **Fishing kayaks:**

Caper Angler 11'/3.3m £549; Trident 11 Angler 11'5''/3.5m £699; Trident 13 Angler 13'6''/4.1m £749; Trident Ultra 4.3 14'1''/4.3m (New) £999; Trident Ultra 4.7 15'5''/4.7m £999; Prowler Elite 4.1 13'4''/4.1m £679; Prowler Elite 4.5 15'4''/4.5m £719; Scupper Pro 14'9''/4.5m £599; Malibu Two XL Angler 13'4'' £699



The dedicated kayak fishing section is a great place to find tips about fitting out your kayak

**Old Town:**

Pack 12'3.7m £799; Discovery 158 15'8"/4.8m £749; Camper 15 14'10"/4.5m £1099; Charles River 163 16'3"/5m £1279; Charles River 158 15'8"/4.8m £799; Predator 150 15'3" £1299; Rockport 13'10" £499; Saranac 146 14'6"/4.4m £549; Saranac 160 16'/4.9m (New) £599



Classic canoes from Old Town include the Charles River

**Necky**

Rip 10'6"/3.2m £499; Rip 12 12'3.66m £TBC; Manitou Sport 10'11"/3.3m £549; Manitou 13 12'10"/3.9m £599; Chatham 16 (Composite) 16'5"/5m £2250; Chatham 17 (Composite) 17'4"/5.3m £2295; Vector 14 SOT (New) 14'1"/4.3m £TBC



There's a great choice of touring kayaks from Necky

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