

## 6.1m Plywood Double Kayak.

Double kayaks are generally quite long vessels which makes them difficult to transport and store. This design has been reduced to 6.1 metres long to make it an easier boat to handle in relation to those problems. It should be possible to car top it on small and medium sized cars without the excessive overhangs and lack of support that happens with longer designs. One of the problems on the water with shorter double kayaks is a tendency for the bow to bury into waves too easily. This has been addressed on this design with higher freeboard forward so the bow picks up buoyancy and rises more easily with waves. There is storage space forward and aft, and built in foam buoyancy at the ends. The same 650mm (26"0) beam as the plywood singles and the higher freeboard will give this kayak excellent stability.

Construction is 4mm ply with exterior glass reinforcement for the hull, and 3mm ply for the decks. Stitch and glue methods or wood stringers can be used at the longitudinal joints between panels. The two plans cover construction details and have full sized templates for the mould stations and bulkheads.

Boatcraft Pacific Qld, plan to make this design available in kit form late in 2000.

Length 6.1m, Beam 0.65m.

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