# Palau<sup>™</sup> and Hibiscus<sup>™</sup> Inflatable SUP Board Owner's Manual





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Water sports can be safe and fun for all levels of enthusiasts. The Owner's Manual is presented to enhance your enjoyment of the sport. It is intended to alert you to some of the potentially dangerous conditions that can arise in all water sports.

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## • WARNING

200 LBS MAXIMUM RIDER WEIGHT

### • WARNING

PADDLE BOARDING CAN BE VERY DANGEROUS AND PHYSICALLY DEMANDING.

PARTICIPATING IN PADDLE BOARDING MAY INVOLVE SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH.

PADDLE BOARDING REQUIRES GOOD BALANCE AND CORE STRENGTH.

BE CAUTIOUS IF USING IN SHALLOW WATER. FALLING IN SHALLOW WATER MAY RESULT IN SERIOUS BODILY INJURY OR PARALYSIS.

TO AVOID SEVERE BODILY INJURY DO NOT USE NEAR DOCKS, PILINGS, PIERS OR OTHER HARD OBSTRUCTIONS.

ALWAYS USE CAUTION WHEN USING THIS PRODUCT. DO NOT ACT IN A CARELESS MANNER WHEN USING THIS PRODUCT. MISUSE OF THIS PRODUCT COULD RESULT IN SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH.

#### Product safety and warnings

To reduce the risk of injury or death using this paddle board, follow these guidelines:

- Do not exceed the weight capacity limitations.
- Always wear a coast guard approved personal flotation device.
- Do not go paddle-boarding in harsh weather or in water conditions that might affect your ability to return to shore or steer the board.
- Adult supervision required when a minor is using the board.
- Never consume alcohol or any other substance that may impair your coordination, judgment, or ability to safely paddle the board.
- Never use this board beyond your skills or ability.
- Do not use this product after sunset or before sunrise or with poor lighting.
- Check local laws and regulations regarding proper and safe use of this product.
- Dress accordingly for weather conditions. Cold water and/or cold weather can result in Hypothermia.
- Never paddle alone.
- Do not paddle in flood conditions.
- Be aware of appropriate river water levels, tide changes, dangerous currents, weather changes and strong off shore winds.
- This product is designed for flat water use. Do not use in surf.

#### INCLUDED IN THIS PRODUCT:

- 1- Inflatable SUP Board
- 1- High Pressure Pump with Gauge
- 1- Carrying bag
- 1- Dual Purpose Paddle (PALAU ONLY)
- 1- Kayak seat (PALAU ONLY)
- 3- Fins and Attachment Screws
- 1- Repair kit





Hibiscus

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Carry Bag

Palau

### Set Up

- 1. Unfold product on flat ground making sure there are no sharp objects underneath that might puncture the product.
- 2. Inflate
  - Locate valve at back of board and unscrew cap.
  - A special inflation adaptor is included with pump. Simply lock the adaptor onto the end of the inflation hose and insert into the valve body. Turn 1/4 turn to lock in place.

NOTE: This inflation adaptor will automatically open the valve when inserted and will close the valve when removed. You do not need to manually open/close the valve when using this special adaptor.



- Make sure gauge and hose is on the inflation side of pump
- Inflate SUP board to 10-12 psi. (DO NOT GO OVER 14 PSI)
- 3. Attach Fins
  - Attachment of fins can be done before <u>or</u> after the inflation process.
  - Insert front of fin into slot and pull backwards to hook in place
  - Secure with screws.



- 4. Attaching optional kayak seat (PALAU ONLY)
  - Top straps on seat connect with front rings on board.
  - Lower straps on seat connect with middle rings on board.
  - Seat straps can be adjusted for comfort.



- 5. SUP/Kayak Paddle (PALAU ONLY)
  - Paddle comes in 5 pieces.
  - When using as a SUP use T-Handle, longest pipe section and one paddle.
  - When using as a kayak use all pieces except T-Handle.
- 6. SUP Paddle **(Hibiscus)** We recommend using the Performance SUP Paddle, not included, item #20854, available at www.ravesports.com.



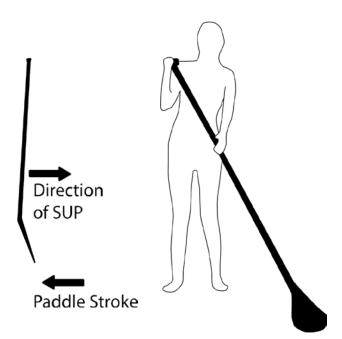




### Properly Holding the Paddle

Blade should be facing forward for Performance SUP paddle types.

For Palau combination SUP/Kayak paddle: Orient paddle so concave side of paddle is facing rearward.



#### Using the Board

- Start on your knees and push up to feet while centered on the board.
- Feet should be shoulder width apart with bent knees.
- Face forward with shoulders back.
- Hold paddle at the T-Handle and approximately 2 feet down on the shaft.
- To turn on the SUP board, paddle on the opposite side you desire to turn.

#### Deflation

- 1. Remove fins from bottom of board.
- 2. Open valve to release air.
- 3. Use deflation side of pump to rapidly and completely evacuate the air in the SUP board.
- 4. Fold board starting at front and working towards valve.

## (ENSURE PRODUCT IS CLEAN AND DRY BEFORE FOLDING AND STORING)

#### NOTE: DO NOT ROLL BOARD.

- 5. Use strap to hold board together and place in carrying bag.
- 6. Store in carrying bag. Paddle goes in the long side pouch. Pump goes into shorter pouch.



#### **Cleaning and Storage**

- When the inflatable product is not being used, we recommend that you store it in a covered, shaded area. This will help protect it against ultraviolet (UV) rays and extend the life of the product.
- Clean the inflatable completely with a mild soap and fresh water. NEVER USE PETROLEUM BASED PRODUCTS OR SOLVENTS FOR CLEANING.
- Product should be completely dry and remain dry while stored.
- Fold the product loosely and place in the vented carrying bag.
- Store in a cool, dry location. Do not store product directly on concrete surface. Place mothballs around stored inflatable to keep mice and insects away.
- Secure the product to prevent unauthorized or unsupervised use.
- Do not leave board inflated in direct sunlight for long periods of time when not in use

#### Repairs

For Minor Holes or Tears:

- Inflate SUP board and locate the leak by spraying the board with soapy water. Bubbles will appear where there is a leak.
- Determine the hole size and cut a circular patch ½ 1 inch wider than the hole.
- Deflate the product and clean the patch and area around the hole with rubbing alcohol. Let dry completely.
- Peel off paper back from patch, apply repair patch to area and work out any air bubbles from beneath the patch.
- Apply weight to the patched area for one hour before re-inflating

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