

O L D T O W N C A N O E

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The history of canoes is the history of man's ingenuity and skill in adapting the best materials at his disposal to the task of carrying him swiftly and efficiently over water.

To the Kootenay Indians, that meant carving dugouts from the huge trees of the Pacific Northwest. To the Penobscots of the Penobscot River valley, Old Town, Maine, it meant the birchbark — a skillful melding of wooden ribs and planks covered with bark and sealed with natural gums.

The Indians' designs in birchbark became the forerunners of all modern canoes, combining, as they did, remarkable levels of hull speed, strength and light weight.

The history of Old Town Canoe is a parallel. Beginning before the turn of the century, Old Town craftsmen adapted Indian wood designs with a technological improvement — a covering of canvas. Soon Old Town canoes had set new standards.

Toronto, Canada  
Jan. 4, 1911

The Old Town Canoe Co.  
Old Town, ME

Gentlemen;

*Have just finished a season in the bush with one of your sixteen foot canvas canoes, and am here to say that no better canoe is on the market today. It is the perfected birch-bark and shows its inheritance. It has been given the carrying capacity of its sire, and this combined with good workmanship has produced a perfection model.*

Yours very truly,

As technology produced new materials, Old Town tested them. When proven, Old Town ingenuity and skill adapted them to the same end.

Fiberglass over wood. Fiberglass lay-up. Then, Oltonar/Royalex® (ABS).

Meriden, CT  
May 27, 1975

Old Town Canoe Co.  
Old Town, ME

*I'd like to tell you of an incredible show of strength yesterday by my Old Town Chipewyan ABS (16').*

*After capsizing, the canoe was pinned against a rock on its side with the bottom facing downstream. The tremendous force of the rapids pounded on the nearly submerged canoe and forced the hull to bend — forming a sharp crease — as the bow and stern were pushed downstream — the canoe curving around the rock.*

*When repeated efforts to dislodge the canoe failed, I called for a wrecker with a power winch as a last resort. With a chain looped around the stern the power winch succeeded in pulling the canoe off the rock. The hull immediately snapped back to its original shape and we were able to recover the canoe.*

*To my amazement the canoe is as good as new — none the worse for wear than marks on the hull from the chain and at the crease point.*

*As I and several spectators can attest — the Old Town ABS is a truly remarkable canoe. Many thanks for a super product.*

Sincerely yours,

And now for 1985, the first rotationally-molded cross-linked polyethylene-foam-polyethylene sandwich canoe, the Discovery.

Old Town's skilled hands have built more than 300,000 canoes. As new material technology accelerates the rate of change, Old Town's dedication remains constant — to employ all our ingenuity and skill in adapting the best materials available to carry you swiftly and efficiently over the water.

COVER PHOTO:

Wood-trimmed Canadienne provides a rich setting for the proud Old Town emblem, now found on every Old Town canoe.



A GUIDE TO OLD TOWN CANOES

**TRIPPING:** A type of canoeing associated with overwater traveling to a specific destination. Canoes in this category have excellent carrying capacity and share two other characteristics that make them outstanding multi-purpose canoes: (1) they stand up to very hard use, whether from wilderness expeditions, hunters, camps or active families; (2) their designs handle rough water — as well as smooth water — with ease.

Pages 4-5 . . . Tripper  
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**WHITewater:** These specially-designed canoes have rockered hulls for maneuverability. They have freeboard and added volume, bow and stern, to handle standing waves and aerated water.

Pages 8-9 . . . . . Otter  
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**GENERAL RECREATION:** A rugged, versatile group of canoes that meet the varied needs of the outdoor-active person or family. While varying in size and design, each offers the confidence of excellent stability and the enjoyment of easy, responsive paddling.

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**TOURING/CRUISING:** Aesthetically pleasing designs that look fast — and are. Knife-sharp entries flow into smooth round bottom hulls. They are easy to paddle and offer excellent glide. Favorites of weekend racers, these medium volume canoes are also well-suited to touring.

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MATERIALS

Just as important as the type of hull material is the method of construction. Each material — wood, aluminum, fiberglass, ABS, Kevlar® and polyethylene — has ardent advocates. Most are in agreement, however, that

the most successful hulls require meticulous preparation and considerable hand work. While the perfect hull material has yet to be developed, each of those mentioned may come very close depending on your needs.

Without belaboring the point, at Old Town the classic wood canoe is still very dear to us. Yet, we recognize that modern synthetics can do everything wood can do at substantially lower cost.

Our purpose here is to briefly explain how Old Town uses these newest materials to build the finest canoes in our history.

FIBERGLASS

One of the best advantages of fiberglass is the ease with which this laminate can reproduce very subtle and sophisticated shapes. It can be formed into the sharpest of all entry lines. Most important, however, is the method of construction.

Just as with wood canoes, the best fiberglass hulls are hand-made. Old Town uses premium quality glass cloth, mat and woven roving, as well as the best resins and core materials available. Using a female mold, hulls are hand-laid-up starting with the colored gelcoat. Next

comes a layer of glass cloth, then a glass mat and finally an interior layer of glass cloth or woven roving.

Each canoe has its own unique lay up for structural integrity. For example, some Old Town models use Coremat® as a

special stiffening layer. Coremat® is a combination of polyester fibers and microspheres. It provides extra stiffness and lighter weight.

All fiberglass canoes use urethane foam flotation laminated in at bow and stern.

OLTONAR/ROYALEX®

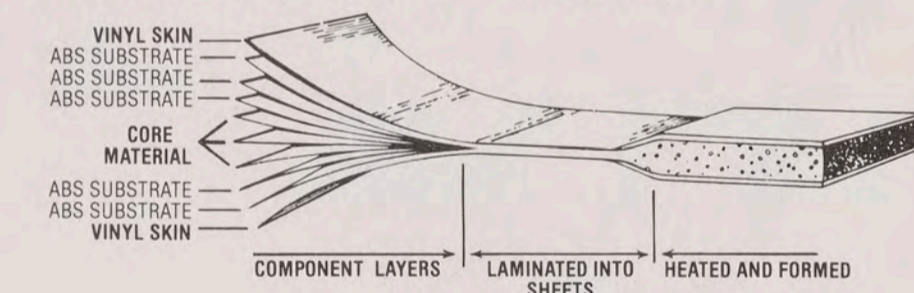
This is Old Town Canoe's exclusive version of Uniroyal's Royalex®. An exceptionally tough multi-laminate composed of ABS (Acrylonitrile Butadiene-Styrene), ABS foam, and cross-linked vinyl.

Oltonar begins as a flat, sheet material. For each sheet Old Town engineers add extra layers of ABS or ABS foam for added strength in stress areas. Then

the sheet is heated in an oven. The core expands, forming closed-cell foam flotation within the hull. At the proper tempera-

ture, the sheet is removed from the oven and placed in a mold where it is vacuum-drawn into the hull shape.

One of Oltonar's best qualities for the canoeist is its ability to be wrapped. That is, the canoe can literally be folded in half, the bow touching the stern. It can then be popped back into shape with a minimum of hull distortion. Old Town produces more Royalex® canoes than all other canoe makers combined and offers the widest selection, ranging from the 12' Pack to the 20' XL Tripper.



KEVLAR®

Old Town is known for its rugged expedition quality layups. This is true also in Kevlar®. Old Town uses Dupont Kevlar 49

Aramid in its Kevlar canoes. Kevlar is an organic fiber that is used in such diverse applications as aerospace and bullet-proof

vests. Old Town's rugged layups of Kevlar are more resilient and lighter weight than fiberglass. It's the right choice for the

person who wants a premium quality, lighter weight canoe.

POLYETHYLENE

By rotationally molding polyethylene into 3 layers, Old Town has made a breakthrough in manufacturing an extremely strong, abrasion resistant hull. The outer layer is made from cross-linked polyethylene, giving

the canoe its attractive and abrasion resistant hull. The interior layer is also constructed from cross-linked polyethylene and gives the canoe its cool, durable finish.

The key to the exceptional

strength of the canoe lies in its central foam core layer. This polyethylene foam core provides tremendous stiffness and eliminates the need for the metal keelson or framework which is required in other polyethylene

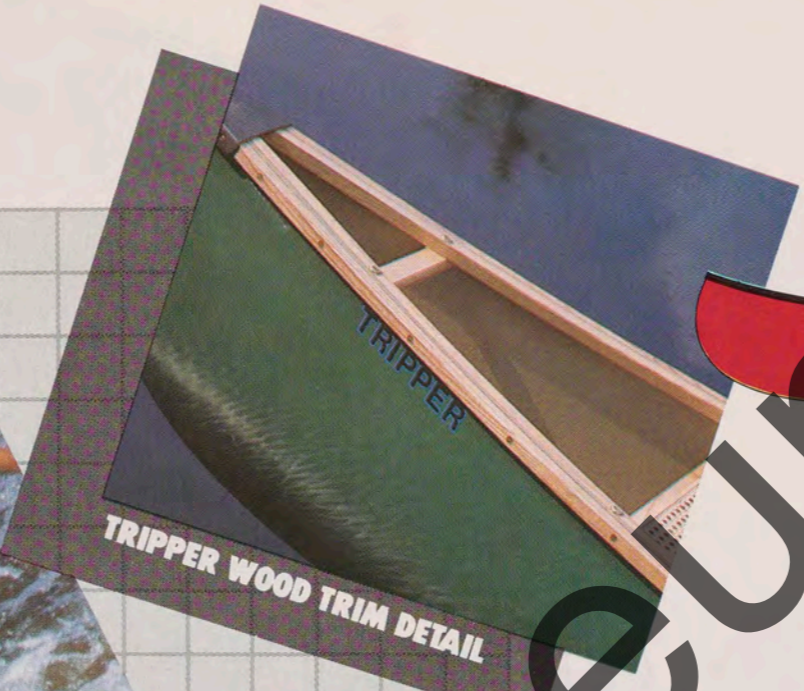
canoes. This method of construction combined with durable cross-linked polyethylene produces a canoe which can be wrapped or folded bow to stern and popped back to its original shape with minimum distortion.

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**TRIPPER**

Length 17'2", width 37", width at 4" waterline 35 1/2", bow height 25", depth 15", weight 80 lbs., capacity 1,100 lbs. Red, yellow or dark green.

From the Allagash to the Rio Grande, from the Yukon to the Chattooga, you'll find Old Town's Tripper. The reason is simply that no other canoe combines the handling, durability and carrying capacity of the Tripper.

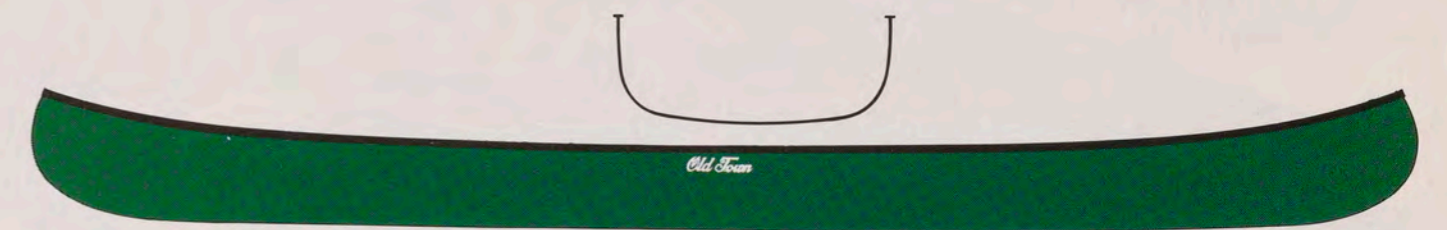
The 17-foot Tripper is what wilderness canoeing is all about. A high volume hull with deep-V entry that paddles easily with a heavy load. A shallow arch design with exceptional stability that handles whitewater with ease. A forgiving canoe that makes whitewater an adventure every paddler can enjoy.

Tripper offers a depth of 15-inches to carry 1,100 lbs. with a 6-inch freeboard. That's a pair of husky paddlers and well over a quarter-ton of gear and supplies. Note: Old Town capacity ratings are confirmed by in-water tests (which also show capacities of some other brands to be overstated).

Constructed of Old Town's exclusive Oltonar/Royalex®, an especially rugged lay-up of ABS laminates, Tripper features extra durability at critical wear points. Included are ABS reinforcements in the bow and stern, a full length reinforcing strip and an extra-wide "belly band".

Tripper is trimmed with black vinyl gunwales with aluminum inserts. Has roto-molded decks, urethane foam filled seats and hardwood thwarts.

Options: Cane seats or Woodtrim. Woodtrim includes cane seats, ash gunwales and grab handles, black ABS decks and hardwood thwarts.



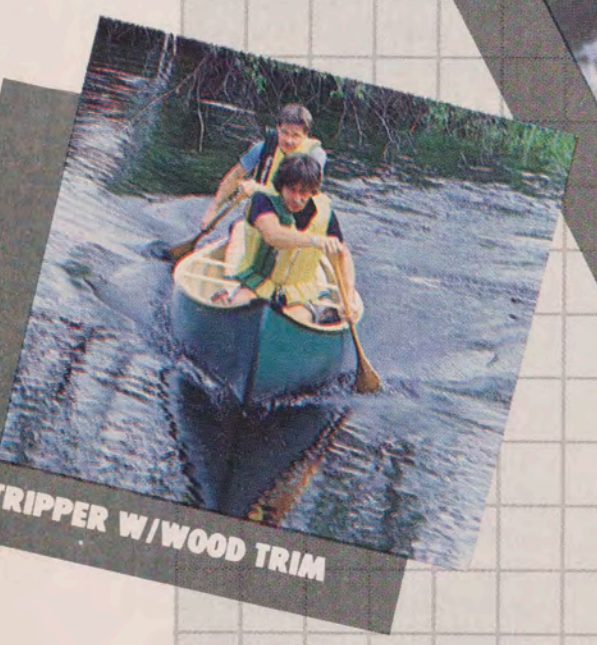
**XL TRIPPER**

Length 20', width 41", width at 4" waterline 38 1/4", bow height 26 1/2", depth 16 1/2", weight 105 lbs., capacity 1,700 lbs. Dark green only.

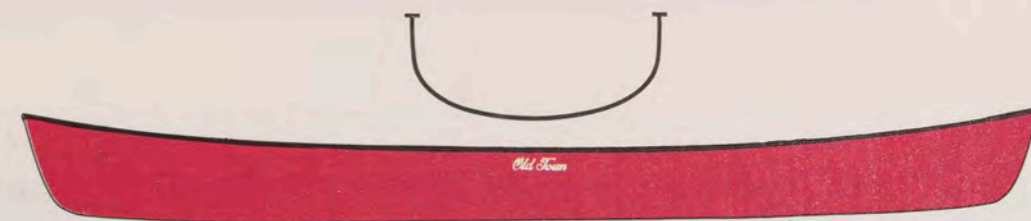
The difference between canoe tripping and expeditions is summarized by the 20-foot XL Tripper. When you cut the ties to civilization for extended periods, you put new meaning in cargo capacity. In this case, 1,700 lbs.

The XL Tripper was designed from keel line up to meet the requirements of lengthy expeditions, outfitters and canoe liveries, and to provide extra people-carrying capabilities at summer camps. But for all its enormous cargo capacity and additional length, the XL Tripper always amazes newcomers with its easy paddling and quick turning.

Constructed of Old Town's extremely durable Oltonar/Royalex®, the XL Tripper features a slightly rockered, shallow-V hull with a deep-V entry. With three extra-wide thwarts that can be used as seats, and capable of handling outboards up to 8 h.p., this is the best multi-purpose canoe for big water. XL Tripper features roto-molded decks and seats and black vinyl gunwales with aluminum inserts.



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**DISCOVERY**

Length 17'4", width 36", width at 4" waterline 34", bow height 22", depth 14", weight 78 lbs. capacity 1,080 lbs. Red or green.

Discovery is a breakthrough in hull construction! What aluminum's introduction meant to durability, what ABS has meant to toughness, the Discovery takes a giant step further.

Polyethylene is not new. But Old Town's unique cross-linked polyethylene sandwich is. Produced in a rotational molding process, the hull consists of a cross-linked outer layer, a cross-linked foam core, and a cross-linked inner layer of polyethylene. The results is a molded hull with inherent structural integrity. It does not require the clumsy metal framework or keelson found in single-layer linear polyethylene boats.

The Discovery can be wrapped — folded bow to stern, and popped back into shape leaving the hull nearly as good as new. Best of all, polyethylene's characteristics contribute to the boat's performance. Along with the sharp V-entry and round bottom, polyethylene's glossy surface literally slips through the water. Glides over rocks. And it's quiet.

Discovery is fast, easy handling, incredibly durable. It offers exceptional value. Canoe liveries who have tested Discovery are unanimous in their acclaim. If it sounds too good to be true, try it yourself. Discover the Old Town difference!

With black vinyl gunwales, roto-molded decks, urethane foam filled seats and hardwood thwarts. Cane seats optional.



**WOOD CANOES**

In an era of rapidly advancing technology and space age materials, it is easy to pass off wood canoes as museum pieces. Nothing could be further from the truth.

In terms of aesthetics, paddling feel and strength-to-weight, these classic wood Old Town canoes are every bit as competitive as all but the most specialized designs. As for durability, many Old Town canoes made 30, 40 and even 50 years ago are still in use today. For nearly 100 years, Old Town canoes have been made essentially the same way — by hand. Each native white cedar rib, hand cut and fitted. The same is true for the Sitka spruce inwales, Honduras mahogany outwales, white ash stems, decks and thwarts and the Western red cedar planking.

All are available with fiberglass cloth covering or optionally, with traditional canvas.



**WOOD CANOES**

**OTCA 16, 17:** The classic Old Town, virtually unchanged since the turn of the century.

**OTCA 16:** length 16', width 36", bow height 23", depth 12", weight 76 lbs., capacity 624 lbs.

**OTCA 17:** length 17', width 35", bow height 25½", depth 12", weight 80 lbs., capacity 659 lbs.



**MOLITOR:** Long decks, outside stems and oval mahogany gunwales create a frame so strong no thwarts are needed. Length 17', width 35", bow height 22", depth 12", weight 84 lbs., capacity 624 lbs.



**GUIDE:** The design Maine guides find most useful in the backcountry. Low profile to duck winds. Long, flat floor for shallow draft, big cargo space.

**GUIDE 16:** length 16', width 35", bow height 20½", depth 12", weight 76 lbs., capacity 624 lbs.

**GUIDE 18:** length 18', width 37", bow height 23", depth 12", weight 86 lbs., capacity 736 lbs.

**GUIDE 20:** length 20', width 39", bow height 23½", depth 13¼", weight 104 lbs., capacity 1,017 lbs.



**TRAPPER:** A swift, light boat that takes canoeing back to its simplest roots. Length 15', width 35½", bow height 20", depth 11½", weight 68 lbs., capacity 580 lbs.

**Exterior color:** Dark green, blue, red, white.  
**Custom finishes:** Natural wood (with clear fiberglass), Indian design, two-tone.  
**Exterior covering:** Fiberglass. Canvas optional.  
**Options available:** Half ribs, outside stems, rub-rails, full-length stem band, painter rings, floor rack. Keel is standard on wood models. No-keel available on special order.



**OLD TOWN CANOE KIT**

Complete kit of materials and instructions for assembly of a ribless 17-foot cedar strip canoe. Western red cedar strips, Sitka spruce inwales, mahogany outwales. Decks, thwarts, seats, glass cloth are all included. Basic tools, frame and form (cut from our pattern) are all you need. Length 17', width 34", depth 12", bow height 21", weight 65 lbs., capacity 650 lbs.



OTCA 17



MOLITOR



GUIDE



TRAPPER

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**OTTER**

Length 13'10", width 30½", width at 4" waterline 30⅞", bow height 21½", depth 14¼", weight 59 lbs., capacity 750 lbs. International orange.

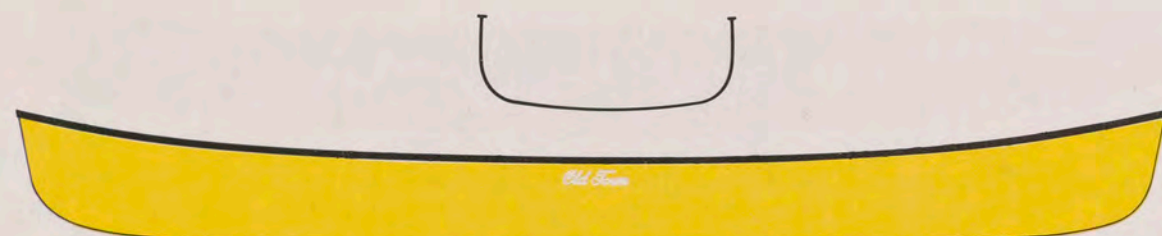
Designed from the keel line up as a solo whitewater playboat, the Otter responds instantly to the signals foam and spray flash to your brain.

Its flat bottom lets you surf the holes and play the dynamics of rough water. Otter is the driest solo whitewater playboat, because its 14¼" depth is carried through to the bow and the stern. And 30" decks help keep water out and flotation bags in.

Excellent secondary stability makes the Otter very forgiving. And Old Town Oltonar/Royalex® construction shrugs off the bumps and scrapes. Makes Otter tougher than any river you run.

Features black vinyl gunwales reinforced with aluminum inserts, 30" long black ABS decks, ash grab handles and a pair of rugged hardwood thwarts. Easily customized or rigged for specific whitewater performance.

Options: Perception saddle with watertight storage, or a 6" x 12" x 36" charcoal-color, Ethafoam saddle for custom-fitting.



**KENNEBEC**

Length 16'4", width 35", width at 4" waterline 33⅞", bow height 22", depth 14", weight 74 lbs., capacity 1,000 lbs. Red, yellow or dark green.

Whitewater. Nothing gets the heart pounding like exploding through the spray of wild water. Eddy turns, peel outs and more require a special breed of canoe. Like Old Town's Kennebec.

This 16-foot, 4-inch specialty boat features a heavily rockered, Oltonar/Royalex® flat-bottom hull with flared bow and stern. Kennebec is a high volume playboat designed for high buoyancy in aerated water. Extremely maneuverable, Kennebec offers performance levels to answer the most advanced whitewater paddling techniques. Available for very heavy water is the optional Canoe Spray Cover.

Kennebec features roto-molded contoured decks, ash thwarts and black vinyl gunwales reinforced with aluminum inserts. Seats are urethane foam filled.

Options: 30" long ABS "Otter" decks and ash grab handles; cane seats.



OTTER (Paddler, John Connelly, on the West Branch, Penobscot River)



KENNEBEC (Shown with optional Otter decks)

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**KATAHDIN 14**

Length 14', width 36 3/4", width at 4" waterline 36", bow height 20", depth 12", weight 66 lbs., capacity 478 lbs.

**KATAHDIN 16**

Length 16', width 36", width at 4" waterline 35 3/4", bow height 21", depth 12", weight 72 lbs., capacity 740 lbs.

**KATAHDIN 18**

Length 18', width 37 1/2", width at 4" waterline 36 1/2", bow height 23", depth 12", weight 90 lbs., capacity 805 lbs.

Katahdins available in dark green, red, white or blue.

KÄH-TÄH-DÏN. Easy to pronounce if you're familiar with Maine landmarks. Even easier to recognize if you're familiar with Old Town canoes. Because the Katahdin essentially is the classic Old Town Wood design updated in economical fiberglass. As such, it is an easy paddling, extremely stable canoe, well suited to outdoor families.

Katahdin's flat-bottom hull with full-length keel and inherent stability make it ideal for all levels of paddling skill. And the fact it comes in 14-foot, 16-foot and 18-foot makes selection by families that much easier.

Most important, Katahdin features a special fiberglass layup. It is laminated by hand starting with the gelcoat, then glass cloth, glass mats, and finally, a layer of woven glass roving. For additional stiffness, the 14' and 16' models have a Coremat® floor, the 18' has a balsa floor. Balsa floor is optional in the 16' model.

Katahdin features black vinyl gunwales and roto-molded decks, ash thwarts and cane seats.



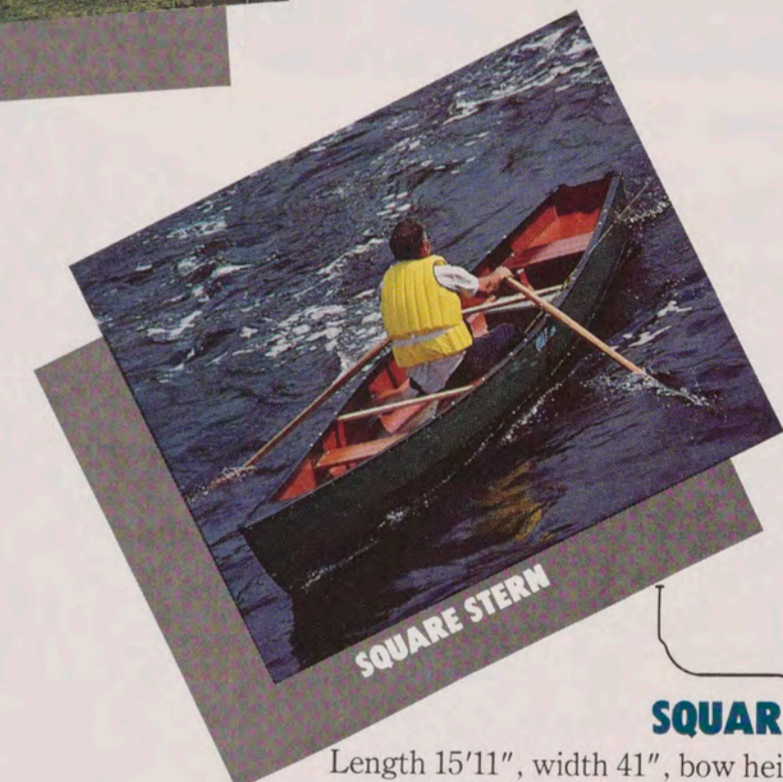
**PACK**

Length 12', width 32", width at 4" waterline 31 3/4", bow height 16 2/3", depth 11 1/2", weight 33 lbs., capacity 400 lbs. Dark green only.

There's enough versatility packed into this 12-foot, 33-pound canoe to keep it going from dawn to dusk. With every member of the family taking a turn.

The Old Town Pack is made of Oltonar/Royalex®. Light and tough. So light that anyone who can paddle solo can carry it. On a portage. To and from the water. On and off the cartop. It's a fishing platform, a playboat and a getaway boat that can go where others can't.

The V-entry, flat-bottom hull with keel is an easy paddling design that even a novice can handle. And it's well-suited to the use of a double-bladed paddle. Features include black vinyl gunwales, roto-molded decks, hardwood thwarts and cane seat.



**SQUARE STERN**

Length 15'11", width 41", bow height 23", depth 13", weight 112 lbs., capacity 624 lbs. Available in dark green.

Now there's an Old Town for people who like to motor — or row. Made with traditional Old Town skill.

With oars, the Square Stern is outstanding. Fast, easy to row, maneuverable. Powered by outboard or electric motor, it is stable and easy to control. An excellent boat for the fisherman, hunter or photographer whose choice location is beyond comfortable paddling distance.

Construction is hand-lay-up fiberglass. Features include black vinyl gunwales with aluminum inserts, roto-molded deck and cedar seats. Oarlocks and horns are included. Rated for outboard motors to 5 h.p.



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**HUNTER**

Length 14', width 35", width at 4" waterline 34 1/8", bow height 20", depth 12", weight 53 lbs., capacity 505 lbs. Dark green and red.

For wildlife photographers, hunters and fishermen a canoe is the means to an end. For exploring, finding solitude or just playing in the sun and water, a canoe is the end itself. All of which is why Old Town designed the Hunter.

At 14-feet, Hunter has less displacement speed than longer canoes, but more than makes up for it by providing a light, yet stable platform for a wide range of activities. Made of Old Town's Oltonar/Royalex®, Hunter weighs in at just 53 lbs. It is an extremely durable, all-around fun canoe. Roto-molded decks and seats, black vinyl gunwales. Cane seats optional.



**ACADIA 15**

Length 15'2", width 36", width at 4" waterline 36", bow height 20", depth 13 1/2", weight 68 lbs., capacity 811 lbs. Dark green only.



**ACADIA 17**

Length 16'10", width 37", width at 4" waterline 36", bow height 20", depth 13 3/4", weight 78 lbs., capacity 970 lbs. Dark green or red.

Nothing is more difficult than designing a canoe for all types of water, all types of activities. Old Town solved the problem by designing two canoes: Acadia 15 and Acadia 17.

**ACADIA 15.** Actually 15-feet, 2-inches, with a slightly rockered, larger volume hull to be comfortable in rough water. Stable, yet easy turning, the Acadia 15 is excellent as a solo canoe for whitewater, fishing and hunting, and as a tandem canoe.

**ACADIA 17.** This hull's V-entry and shallow-arch bottom provide an excellent combination of paddling ease and stability. The emphasis, however, has been placed on stability to make Acadia 17 an outstanding canoe for the entire family.

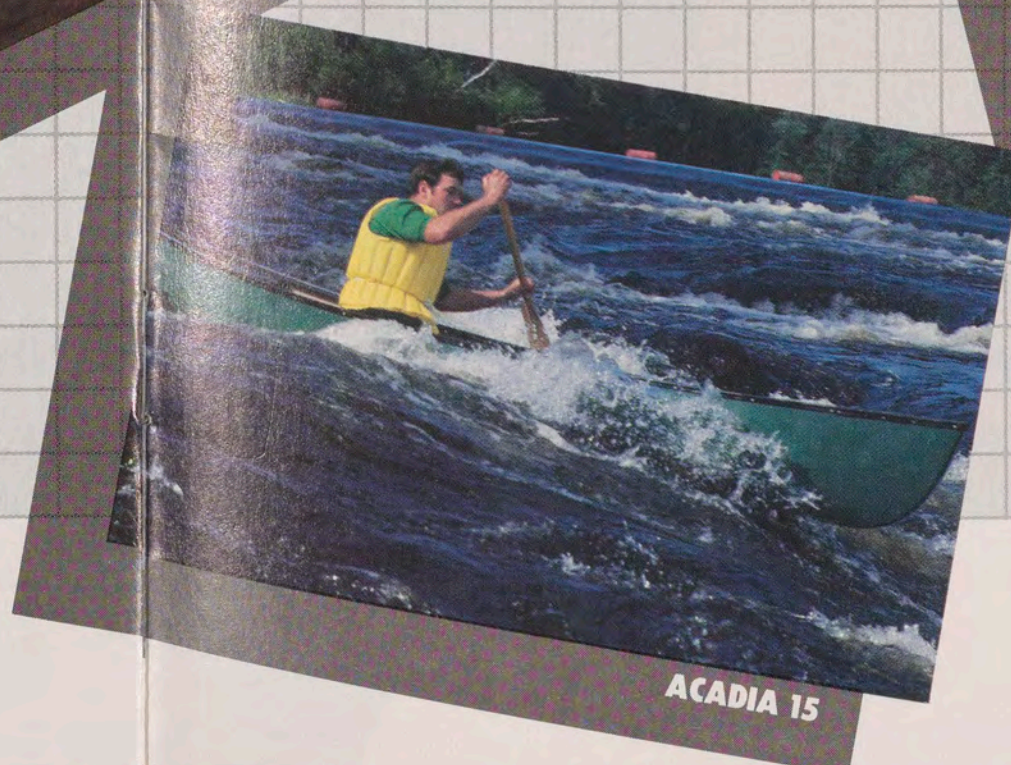
Both Acadias feature black vinyl rails, roto-molded seats and decks and hardwood thwarts. Seats are urethane foam filled. Cane seats optional.



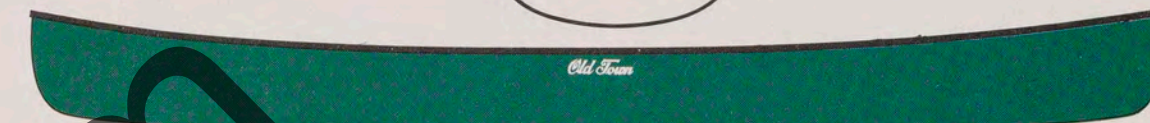
HUNTER



ACADIA 17



ACADIA 15



**PENOBSCOT**

Length 16'2", width 34", width at 4" waterline 33", bow height 21", depth 13 3/4", weight 69 lbs., capacity 860 lbs. Red or dark green.

A straight keel line and the sharpest V-entry of all the Oltonar/Royalex® canoes puts the Penobscot in a class by itself for paddling ease. It is unquestionably the fastest paddling Royalex® canoe made. Its round bottom design combines speed with excellent secondary stability — the more it is tipped, the greater its resistance to further tipping becomes.

While excellent in flat water, Penobscot's design and Oltonar/Royalex construction make it very much at home in whitewater. Its straight-on-speed, handling ease and capacity are exactly what an all-around performance canoe should be.

Features black vinyl gunwales, ABS decks, ash grab handles, hardwood thwarts and roto-molded foam seats.

Options: Cane seats or Woodtrim. Woodtrim includes cane seats, ash gunwales and ash grab handles. (Same as Tripper Woodtrim. See photo, pg. 5).

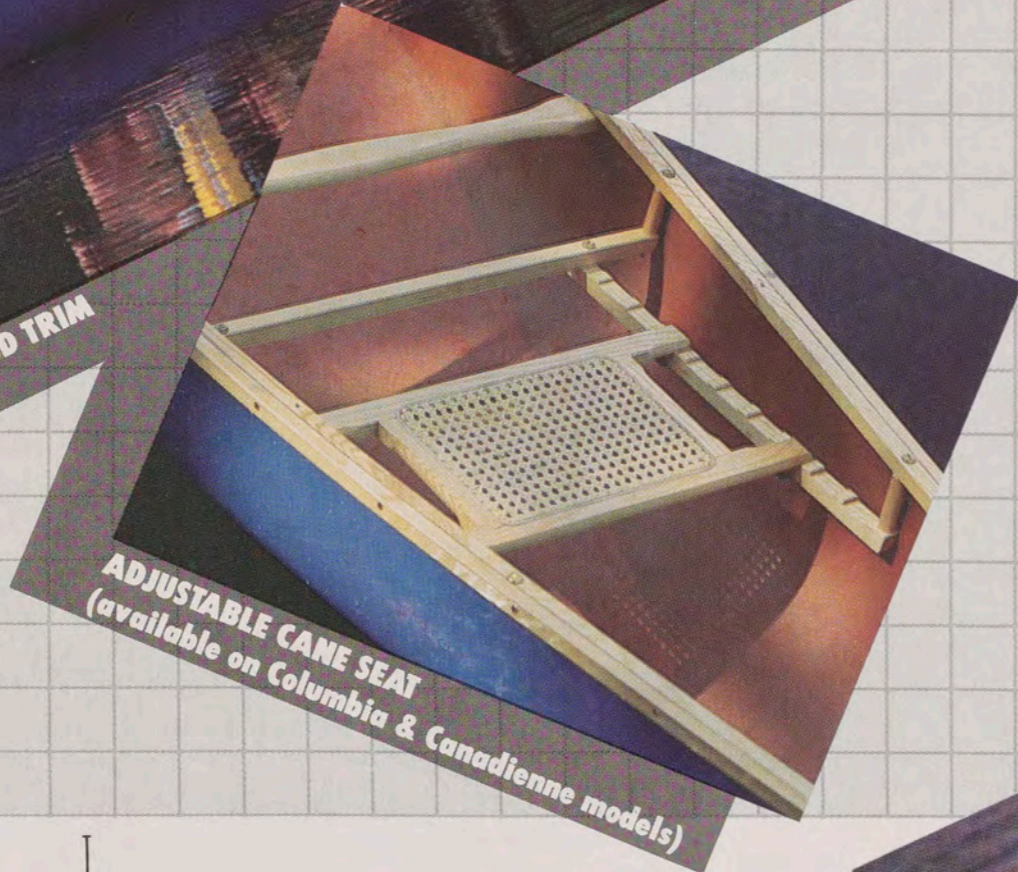


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COLUMBIA W/WOOD TRIM



ADJUSTABLE CANE SEAT  
(available on Columbia & Canadienne models)



C.J. SOLO



**C.J. SOLO**

Length 15'6", width 31", width at 4" waterline 29<sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub>", bow height 17<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>", depth 11", weight 52 lbs., capacity 590 lbs. Dark green, red, white or blue.

Solo canoeing is an example of the sport in its purest form. Paddler and canoe as a team. A single element with performance as the objective. Based on a design by Cliff Jacobson, the CJ Solo features a shallow arch hull with a very sharp entry line. Construction is hand-laid-up fiberglass laminates.

At 15-feet, 6 inches, the CJ Solo has the keel line to reach true cruising speeds, and is narrow enough to make solo paddling a pleasure. In addition, there is sufficient hull volume for the CJ Solo to carry gear and supplies deep into the back-country. Features include black vinyl rails, ABS decks and ash grab handles.



**CANADIENNE 16**

Length 16', width 33<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>", width at 4" waterline 32<sup>5</sup>/<sub>16</sub>", bow height 21<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>", depth 13<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>", weight 67 lbs., (Kevlar® — 61 lbs.), capacity 710 lbs. Dark green, red, white or blue.



**CANADIENNE 17**

Length 17'2", width vinyl gunwales 35", (wood gunwales 36"), width at 4" waterline 33<sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub>", bow height 22<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>", depth 14<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>", weight 78 lbs., (Kevlar® — 67 lbs.), capacity 964 lbs. Dark green, red, white or blue.

Speed is determined by the physics of displacement hulls. That's why, other things being equal, a longer hull is faster than a shorter one. Outside of pure racing designs, cruising canoes are the epitome of efficiency. Long, slim, streamlined hulls that deliver maximum straight-line distance with each stroke of the paddle.

The Old Town Canadienne 16 and 17 are such canoes. Designed by Ralph Frese, both feature a very clean, very sharp V-entry flowing into a round bottom. Their long keel line assures excellent straight-line tracking. Yet both Canadiennes have sufficient depth to be practical for tripping and handling moderate whitewater. Because of its narrower width, the 16' Canadienne is an excellent large volume solo canoe as well as a responsive tandem canoe.

Available in Old Town's hand-lay-up fiberglass or Kevlar®. Standard trim includes black vinyl gunwales with aluminum inserts for extra stiffness, roto-molded decks, cane seats and hardwood thwarts. Optional is wood trim with Honduras mahogany decks and outwales, Sitka spruce inwales, white ash thwarts and seats, brass bow and stern caps and painter rings.



**COLUMBIA**

Length 18', width 34", width at 4" waterline 32<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>", bow height 20<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>", depth 12<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>", weight 66 lbs., (Kevlar® — 61 lbs.), capacity 703 lbs. Dark green, red, white or blue.

Long, low and slim, Columbia is Old Town's entry for the weekend racer or the canoeist demanding optimum performance. Eighteen feet long, with a 34 inch beam, Columbia features a knife-sharp entry sweeping to a rounded bottom. On potential displacement speed alone, Columbia is Old Town's fastest canoe.

Speed: Excellent. Tracking: Excellent. And a slight rocker enables Columbia to turn far more easily than most cruising designs. Extra volume at the bow and stern keep Columbia level — to handle power paddling without porpoising.

Designed to take full advantage of hand-lay-up fiberglass, with the sharpest possible entry line. Columbia weighs 66 lbs. in fiberglass and only 61 lbs. in optional Kevlar®. Standard trim includes black vinyl rails with aluminum inserts for additional stiffness, ABS decks, and cane seats (adjustable bow seat is optional). Optional wood trim version includes ash gunwales, ash grab handles and black ABS decks.



CANADIENNE WOOD DETAIL



CANADIENNE

# ACCESSORIES

## CANOE PADDLES



Our traditional one-piece beavertail paddles are made of Sitka spruce, one at a time, by Old Town craftsmen. Single blade. Width: 8". Length: 54", 60", 66".



Canadian made for Old Town. 7" blade, laminated maple and poplar. Available in 54", 57", 60", 63", and 66" lengths.



Canadian made for Old Town. 6" blade, laminated poplar. Available in 48", 54", and 60".

## CANOE SPRAY COVER



Covers entire canoe: Adjustable spray skirts over seats, keeps canoe and cargo dry in bad weather. Tough, Urethane coated nylon; easy to fold. Snap fasteners. Specify canoe model and length.

## PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICE



Life vest (PFD). Custom designed for Old Town by Omega. Highly visible yellow with a distinctive green stripe. Extra comfort and good looks. USCG approved. Sizes: S, M, L, XL.

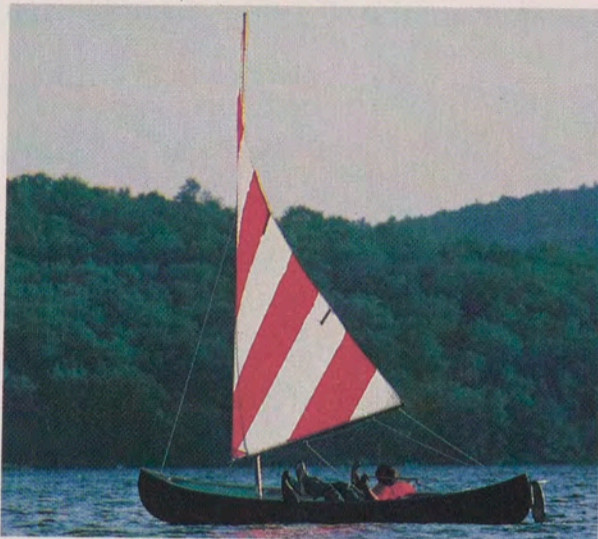
## CAP

Old Town Cap. Adult adjust., assorted colors.

## CENTER FLOTATION BAG

A large rectangular bag which fills the middle section of most canoes. Ideal for additional whitewater protection. Length 52", width 37".

## SAILING RIG



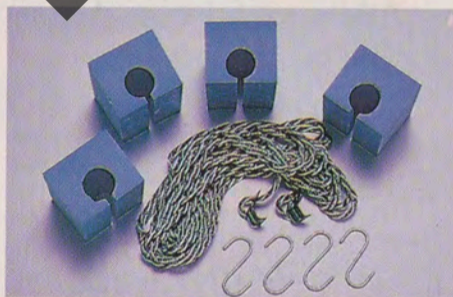
Transforms the canoe into an efficient sailing craft without destroying the lines of the canoe. Easy to assemble.

## ROWING



Quickly and easily convert your Old Town canoe to a fast row boat. Fits any Old Town canoe.

## FOAM BLOCK CARRIER



Foam blocks have 1½" holes to fit all canoes. Includes two gutter clamps with rope to pass over the middle, and four S-hooks, with rope, to attach bow and stern to bumpers.

## T-SHIRTS

50/50, Cotton/polyester; Specify size: S, M, L, XL; Design, Antique Car, Paddling, Otter and Tripper.

## SKID PLATES



Protect your Oltonar/Royalex® hulls with Kevlar® skid plates. (2 per kit.)



Folding cane chair.



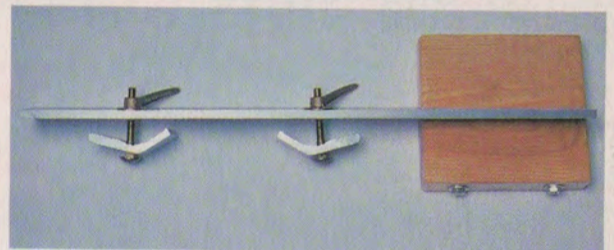
Folding slat chair.

## CARRYING YOKES



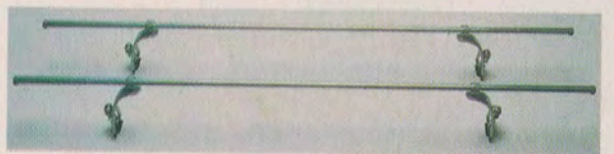
Lighten the load when carrying your Old Town canoe. Choose carved yoke, a yoke with adjustable pads, or pads only which attach to your center thwarts.

## MOTOR MOUNT



Adapts any Old Town double-end canoe for motoring. Capacity, 4 h.p.

## CARTOP CARRIER



Easy to attach on cars with rain gutters. Single canoe model is 60"; two canoe model is 78".

## BELT BUCKLE

Pewter; will fit belts up to 1½" wide.