

## Kayacat

This slender inflatable catamaran took off in a big way after its fully funded Kickstarter launch two years ago – multiple sales were taking place around me when I visited the Düsseldorf stand.

Two versions are offered – one for paddling that weighs only 6kg and a second that includes the sailing rig yet still weighs just 14kg, a figure well within comfortable backpack territory. Both share a universal main hull design that takes five minutes to inflate manually.

Tubes are of a three layer laminated PU material with a rip-stop cover and additional protection at the aft end. The theme of simplicity extends to cleverly repurposing the paddles as the daggerboard and rudder/tiller, while there's a telescoping carbon mast.

Accessories in development include an outboard bracket, sub aqua motor, dive ladder and fishing gear. In addition, plans for future models include a two-person boat on similar lines and a much larger 5m version.

■ [kayacat.co.uk](http://kayacat.co.uk)

<b>LOA</b>	4.00m	13ft
<b>Weight</b>	6kg/14kg	13lb/31lb
<b>Price Kayacat Cougar</b>		£1,500
<b>Price Kayacat Puma</b>		£850

