

SportsStuff Mixmaster 2

MSRP: \$430
EASE OF SETUP: 5. Two large air inlets
MAX NUMBER OF RIDERS: 2
HANDHOLDS: 10
UNIQUE FACTOR: One of the Doables from SportsStuff with the VEER system and Tiger Tooth fins that allow riders to steer and do 360-degree turns



MATERIAL: PVC with nylon cover
ERGONOMICS: Well-placed handholds gave riders a good grip when leaning to maneuver
DIFFERENT RIDING POSITIONS: Riders kneel or crouch and lean over edge to steer
FUN SCALE: 5
COMMENTS:

"Awesome control and maneuverability." "Instead of just riding passively, you can go where you want or do spins." "It was a great workout."

MORE INFO: sportsstuff.com

SportsStuff Slalom Sally



MSRP: \$350
EASE OF SETUP: 5
MAX NUMBER OF RIDERS: 2
HANDHOLDS: 6
UNIQUE FACTOR: With the VEER system and Tiger Tooth fins, riders can steer the newest "Doable" for gals
MATERIAL: PVC with nylon cover

ERGONOMICS: Perfectly placed handholds, deep cockpit, high bow prevents stuffing
DIFFERENT RIDING POSITIONS: Kneel
FUN SCALE: 4
COMMENTS: "It was cool to be able to steer rather than just be towed." "Great control and nice ride in rough water." "The low rope position created some spray." (SportStuff makes a Doable Booster ball that rides ahead and keeps rope elevated, which we didn't have.)
MORE INFO: sportsstuff.com



Connelly Aero Tunnel 2

MSRP: \$290
EASE OF SETUP: 3. One air inlet for deck, one each for twin sponsons, one for backrest
MAX NUMBER OF RIDERS: 2
HANDHOLDS: 4
UNIQUE FACTOR: Catamaran design entraps air to help launches and improve ride over chop
MATERIAL: 30-gauge PVC with nylon cover
ERGONOMICS: Segmented backrest keeps riders from sliding into each other; center grab handles could feature more separation
DIFFERENT RIDING POSITIONS: Sitting
FUN SCALE: 5
COMMENTS: "It felt cool riding up high." "Glided across the waves." "If you ride this in rough water at faster speeds, you will wipe out, which added to the thrill factor."
MORE INFO: connellyskis.com



Test Rider Favorites:

- » **Haley "Hail Storm" Ingram:** The O'Brien CatEye was big and extremely comfortable, but we still managed to get great air. The Full Throttle Triple Howler was also really crazy.
- » **Lilli "Lil' Crazy" Mackay:** My favorite was the Connelly Buzz Bomb because it really has a unique look, and sitting on top of the rocket was thrilling and bouncy.
- » **Sawyer "Saw Blade" Branson:** The Connelly Aero Tunnel 2 was very comfortable, because it glided over the chop like it was floating. It was fun being elevated higher than normal and provided us with the best crash of the day.
- » **Taylor "Magnum T.I." Ingram:** The Sevylor 3-IN-1 Party Tube was the most comfortable in these conditions, and there was plenty of room for three. We got really good air without getting beat up. I would also like to get some more time on the SportStuff Mixmaster 2; we were just starting to learn to spin and turn, which was a blast and different from every other tube.



O'Brien CatEye

MSRP: \$300
EASE OF SETUP: 4. One large air inlet and two small inlets for headrests, so there is some manipulation needed to inflate evenly
MAX NUMBER OF RIDERS: 2
HANDHOLDS: 8
UNIQUE FACTOR: Wild design with eyes in front; riders sit in wells with backrests
MATERIAL: 30-gauge PVC with nylon cover
ERGONOMICS: Very comfortable riding position; separate compartments keep riders apart; large handholds
DIFFERENT RIDING POSITIONS: Riders can recline or face forward
FUN SCALE: 4
COMMENTS: "Thrilling ride." "Very stable in rough water." "Got good air and was very bouncy in a good way."
MORE INFO: obrien.com



Body Glove Sling Arrowhead

MSRP: \$110
EASE OF SETUP: 5
NUMBER OF RIDERS: 1
HANDHOLDS: 4
UNIQUE FACTOR: Triangular shape, S3 Suspended Seating System, neoprene center section for comfort
MATERIAL: 24-gauge PVC, nylon cover, neoprene seat
ERGONOMICS: Very comfortable, small tow-rope hole
DIFFERENT RIDING POSITIONS: Sitting, prone
FUN SCALE: 5
COMMENTS: "It was a fun challenge to stay on in the rough water." "A lot of action, even at slower speeds." "It had a sports car-like feel."
MORE INFO: bodyglove.com