

Filip's Sea Flea

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During last years holidays (2006) my just finished yellow SOF was very popular with my two boys (Marnix & Filip). They sometimes almost fought over it. That created the idea in my mind to build a better fitting kayak for the kids for this years holidays. But as it always goes, there are enough other chores to do around the house and even though I had promised myself to start the build way before the holidays, it was not until the end of may that I finally started. I chose the Seaflea design by TomYost. And as the day I started we had originally planned a paddle tour that was cancelled because of bad weather, Dick came by to give me a hand. And of course Filip also helped big time constructing 'his' Seaflea so it would be ready for our holidays to Sweden.

sawing the frames

Dick prepares the strongback

prebending the gunwales

the SeaFlea frame

lashings details

Filip helps with the varnishing

tensioning the pvc skin

the top dek

Filip testfitting the seaflea

Building the coaming - step 1
cutting a 1 inch wide circle every inch

step 2:
a 1 inch wide band of pvc is glued at a 90 degree angle to the outside of the cuts made in step 1

step 3:
a 3 inch wide band of pvc is glued to inside of the cut edge in step 1.

the 3 inch band is cut every 2 inch appr. 1,5 inch down and these are glued around a PE tube to the 1 inch band attached in step 2

details of the coaming with the PE tube (waterpipe
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