This is one of the smaller double sit-on-tops around so it is ideally suited for the local beach and exploring the estuary and lakes where distance is not the number one concern. Designed with the smaller paddler in mind this will give years of fun and easy handling for the family.

A test I do when trying kayaks out for the first time is to get paddling at a healthy pace and then stop paddling and see if the kayak continues, or stops dead in its tracks. My theory behind this test is that a boat that continues gliding for ages, once paddling has stopped is slicker through the water and hence will be easier to paddle. The Escapade II did extremely well in this test. Stability with 178 kilos on board was fine for advanced paddlers but probably too much for the average family. With 150 kilos it became stable enough for the average family to have loads of fun.

The finish and layout is Q-Kayaks normal high quality and as always, practical for the paddler. The seating positions and leg room and foot rests are comfortable.

Priced at only \$900 with great packages available at your local Canoe & Kayak Centre it will be one of the favourites for this year's summer holidays.

This nifty double sit-on-top will be a great addition to the family.

## **Specifications:**

Length 3.5 m Width 750 mm Weight 26 kg Recommended Max Weight 150 kg

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