

The “Bellinger” Easy to Build Canoe

- Can be built ready to hit the water in 5 days.
- Only need basic hand tools & a cordless drill.
- Half the weight of most fibreglass Canoes.
- Comes with;
 - Full size plans enabling the builder to trace out the panels and cut with a Hand saw.
 - Comprehensive Step By Step Instructions & Bote Cote Boat Building Book.



The 'Bellinger' is a simple stitch and glue plywood canoe, it is extremely easy to build and can be achieved hand tools and novice skills. The result is a 4.2m canoe with a 750mm beam that is light enough to be carried by one adult. It will handle two (2) adults easily, is very stable, and is easy to paddle. The design is ideal as a family project or for schools, either as a one student per canoe project, or as a group effort. The Bellinger has been built by year 9 &10 students High Schools, teams of students at Sydney Classic & Wooden Boat Festival and the Australian Wooden Boat Festival in Hobart with courses & build by 12 to 70 year olds at Camp Creative, Bellingin in five days.

The Bellinger only requires two (2) sheets of 4mm BB Face in either Marine or Exterior, which can be supplied

by DRIVE Marine Services or from your local hardware store. If you want a Clear finish or minimum weight we recommend using Gaboon Marine Plywood which has a good finish to both sides.

The 'Bellinger' plans are available in two versions;-

Length – 4.2 metres (14 Feet) - Shortened Version - 3.6 metres (12 Feet)

Beam - 750mm (2' 5") - Shortened Version - 700mm (2' 3")

Weight - Approx. 20.0kg – in Tropical Hardwood Marine Ply or 18 kg in Gaboon Plywood

Cost - Plans & Instructions - **\$55.00.** / Materials - Bote Cote, Filler, etc approximately - **\$295.00**

Note:- Plywood, timber strips, Acetone & other items which are expensive to freight are not included in the Construction Kit. We have listed them in the Materials List as they should be easy to get from your local Hardware Store.

Note:- Paint prices are not included. We recommend using AQUACOTE Water Based Topcoat.

Here is what one of our customers has said

"During a 2 week period over Christmas 2014 I built a Bellinger canoe with my 2 sons, on your recommendation. I wanted a project that was simple to follow and fun to build. The Bellinger most certainly was both of these things and more.

We all learned a lot and the sense of satisfaction on launching was priceless, the boys telling all the other kids at the lake of their build. I ordered all items for the build through you, they arrived promptly, in the right quantities, and are great quality.

We have had a ball paddling the Bellinger. It take our family of 4 easily with camping gear and we've had a great time exploring the local waterways. Best of all the Bellinger is light! I can easily lift it on and off the roof of my car by myself, making a quick evening paddle much more appealing than lugging heavy sea kayaks.

Thanks again for the recommendation, we love the Bellinger."

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