HOBIE 12

Hobie’s unique blend of fun, speed, and stability…the cat you can count on!

Sail it alone or double your pleasure with a friend! The Hobie 12 combines monohull maneuverability with catamaran performance in one tight, sporty little package. It’s big enough to handle two adults with ease, and unsinkably safe so the kids can have it all to themselves.

Hobie 12 — an established new tradition in boating excitement!

HOBIE 12 HAS ALL THE HOBIE FEATURES!

Easy Rigging!
The Hobie 12's one of the simplest boats to float to rig. A unique ball-joint base allows its mast to be easily raised and rotated for improved sailing efficiency. An integral mast luff groove permits the sail to be raised and lowered without unrigging the mast. The 12's shrouds and forestay are designed so that a child can easily rig the boat in only a few minutes.

Sailaway-Ready and Raring to Go!
Your Hobie 12 comes complete with everything you need to set sail — including exciting cat-like performance! Even with 300 lbs. of adults aboard, you'll out-class all the other comparable craft in the water!

Maintenance Free!
The hull of the Hobie 12 is protected from weathering by a tough acrylic coating, and the hull itself is made of practically indestructible ABS plastic. The 12's spars are fabricated from a special aluminum alloy of aerodynamic quality, and the sail is rugged and durable, too — the Tetron fabric will resist wear and fading for years!

Class racing and comradeship!
For the born competitor, the 12 is a terrific deal! You'll get right in on the action with Hobie 12 Class Association local and national regattas. Anybody with a 12 can race — beginning, intermediate and experienced classes allow every Hobie sailor to participate and maybe win one of the trophies! When you become a Hobie 12 owner, you'll automatically be a member of the Hobie Class Association.

Reassuringly stable!
The expandable polystyrene foam reinforcement of your Hobie 12 makes the boat absolutely unsinkable. You may tip your Hobie over occasionally, but any medium-sized kid can easily right her. And the self-bailing cockpit automatically empties itself as you get underway again.

Hobie 12 is great as a trainer for junior sailors and exciting for experienced captains who want a little sailing challenge!
Every Hobie, including the Hobie 12, is fitted out with the highest quality marine hardware. Few other boats in the water can match Hobie’s high standards for strength and durability.

Tetron sail with removable battens
Tough Tetron synthetic fabric with flexible battens which can be removed for easy folding and storage of sail.

Lightweight two-piece mast and boom
Aerodynamic aircraft-type alloy extrusion with completely internal connections is easily transported when uncoupled. Manageably light, yet exceptionally strong.

Contoured cockpit
A specially shaped area designed to comfortably accommodate two adults, affording support whether in a sitting position or both reclining for a leisurely downwind sail. Two large baler tubes insure a dry cockpit under the harshest sailing conditions.

Race ready
Comes complete with downhaul, boomvang, and traveler control.

Rounded asymmetrical hulls
Provide a high degree of stability by supplying buoyancy on the extreme outer perimeters, yet fine enough to knife through the water at racing speeds.

Adjustable hiking straps
Special nylon straps for hiking way out over the side of the boat.

Telescoping tiller extension
Tiller extension telescopes out for easy boat handling while hiking over the side and stores neatly inside tiller when not in use.

Storage compartments
Two large, separate storage compartments for stowing jackets and lunches, add a little ice, and keep your favorite beverage cold for hours in these built-in ice chests.

Semi-tunnel hull configuration
Incorporates a reverse spine to deflect and dampen chop poundings. Molded of practically indestructible high-impact ABS acrylic plastic and reinforced with expendable polystyrene foam for light weight and flotation.

Retractable centerboard
Controlled from the cockpit, allowing you to sail right up onto the beach. Also made of imported Malayan teak.

Controllable kick-up rudder
Affords carefree sailing over unseen obstacles — the rudder will automatically kick-up upon contact. Rudder assembly is made of sturdy aluminum castings, and the rudder itself is imported Malayan teak.
HOBIE 12
Specifications

SAIL COLORS

All white
Blue and white alternating stripes
Yellow and white alternating stripes
Yellow, blue and white alternating stripes.

MAST, BOOM, AND RUDDER ASSEMBLY ARE ALUMINUM ALLOY; RUDDER AND CENTERBOARD ARE NATURAL TEAK.

DECK COLORS

Orange
Yellow
Blue

All Hobie 12's have ivory hulls.

LENGTH OVERALL
11'9"

BEAM
48"

HULL WEIGHT
150 pounds

DRAFT
4" with centerboard and rudder up
18'0"

MAST HEIGHT
90 square feet

SAIL AREA
Tetron (3-1/2 oz.)

SAIL MATERIAL
ABS molded plastic coated with acrylic film and reinforced with expanded polystyrene foam

HULL MATERIAL
Braided Dacron

LINES

Contact your Hobie Dealer

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Sail, deck, hull and trampoline colors are subject to change without notice.