READ WHAT THE EXPERTS SAY:
"Porta-Bote passed every test with flying colors. Easily carried to the water by one person, the boat sets up extremely easily. Even when the open water got a little rough in the late afternoon, the Porta-Bote remained extremely stable."

"Porta-Bote’s keel, concave vee section bottom and chines dig in and give her much more directional stability than flat-bottomed inflatables. She’s also a great deal more comfortable at speed in a chop than a rigid skiff or an inflatable. She doesn’t bounce like an inflatable, and she doesn’t pound like a rigid boat. The flexible polypropylene hull absorbs the impact.

"...The folding Porta-Bote may be one of the best all-around fishing and hunting boats made!..."
INCREDBLY BUOYANT

READ WHAT THE EXPERTS SAY:
“The material is durable – practically indestructible – and extremely buoyant. We rowed the boat even when full of water and found it more unsinkable than Molly Brown.”

Row it Back To Shore . . . Full Of Water
Porta-Bote’s Exclusive “Lifeguard Flotation System”®

READ WHAT THE EXPERTS SAY:
“The 12’ (3.85m) Porta-Bote may be one of the best all-around fishing and hunting boats made for the mobile sportsman. It’s a pleasure to fish from. It’s comfortable for sitting in, roomy for moving around and steady enough for stand-up casting.”

DURABILITY

Japan’s Coast Guard put Porta-Bote’s “Flexi-Hull” through an almost unbelievable test to certify the strength of the patented polypropylene hinges. A production model was loaded with over 600 (272 kg) pounds of concrete weights. The craft was raised 20 (6m) feet above the water and dropped! Porta-Bote passed with flying colors and is now being marketed in Japan.

Incredible Japanese Hinge Strength Test

10 YEAR LIMITED HULL MATERIAL WARRANTY
Never Needs Painting — Incredibly Durable
Maintenance free! Porta-Bote is constructed of a High Impact Polypropylene-Copolymer, a remarkable hard, engineered resin originally developed for use in the aerospace field. This amazing material is resistant to sharp rocks or collisions—impervious to sand, salt, and acid. Nothing affects the molded-in color and finish!

“*This boat complies with U.S. Coast Guard safety standards in effect on the date of certification. NMMA Certified.

Very early one dark and hazy morning on the River Seine in France. These two surprised fishing enthusiasts have just caught a 100+ pound (50kg) fish in their favorite folding boat! Of course, any boat can be capsized under certain conditions. But, Porta-Bote’s wide beam FlexiHull give you more stability than a rigid aluminum or fiberglass hull. Notice how the man with the fishing rod is sitting on the other side of the boat for better balance.

Porta-Bote Makes History
Porta-Bote was chosen by the British Royal Airforce Climbing and Rescue Team to be used in their record setting climb up Mt. Everest. At 20,000’ (6150m) above the clouds they wanted to cross a glacial lake. Only Porta-Bote was able to pass their stringent test. Inflatables could be punctured. Ordinary craft were too heavy to carry up the side of Everest. Only puncture resistant Porta-Bote was able to be carried on the back of a Yak.

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At Last . . . Great Performance In A Foldable Boat

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Can You Pull Up A 100+ Pound (50 kg) Fish Into Your Boat?

Shown in Aluminum Color
12’ (3.85m) Model

12’ (3.85m) Model
VERSAVETILITY

READ WHAT THE EXPERTS SAY:

"It turns quicker than any boat I ever tested — and without heeling over. It rows beautifully! It's polypropylene hull crawls over rocks without damage! It "slithers" over chop and wakes without the annoying bouncing of rigid craft."

Field Test

Doesn't Take Up Valuable Interior Space In An RV.

12' (3.66m) Model

12' (3.66m) Model

Fits on your slide out

ROWBOAT / POWERBOAT / SAILBOAT

Ideal For Seaplane Owners

12' (3.66m) Model

Never Needs Painting

Great For Sailing Enthusiasts

Stores Like A Surf Board

Takes Up Only 4" (11cm)
Of Valuable Deck Space!

10' (3.05m) Model

16' (4.88m) Model

Great for FISHING, HUNTING, SAILING

“The World’s Most Portable Boats”

Incredibly Buoyant

Puncture-Resistant . . .

New Scuba-Swim-Boarding Ladder

Available In “Duck Hunter Green”

12' (3.66m) Model

12' (3.66m) Model

Q. How “reliable” are the Porta-Bote hinges?
A. The Porta-Bote hinges have been time-proven for over 40 years by thousands of satisfied customers, worldwide.

Q. Why is Porta-Bote so much more stable than ordinary, rigid boats?
A. Flexibility. When a strong wave slams against the side of a Porta-Bote's “Flexi-Hull” the polypropylene flexes inwards.

Q. Why is the Porta-Bote hull constructed with Polypropylene and how durable is it?
A. Polypropylene Copolymer, an Engineered Resin, was developed by the Aero-Space industry. That's why we can offer a 10 year limited hull warranty.

Q. How puncture resistant is the hull?
A. The hull is almost 1/4" (.6cm) thick... twice as thick as an aluminum hull.

Q. Does Porta-Bote meet Coast Guard specifications?
A. YES! They exceed the latest compliance standards.

NMMA CE Certified.

The Unique Scuba-Swim Boarding Ladder

For even More Fun –
New Scuba-Swim-Boarding Ladder

Scuba-Dive, Snorkel or Swim off of your Porta-Bote!

Instantly folds out of the way and opens in seconds.

Available for 10', 12' and 14' Porta-Bote® models 1992 or newer.

Scuba Diver? Climb into and out of the water FAST!

Porta-Bote lets you get away with your favorite friends. Even if they each weight...

125lbs. (56.6 kg)

Total Dog Weight

250lbs. (113.6 kg)
MAKES INFLATABLES "OBSOLETE"

READ WHAT THE EXPERTS SAY:

"Unlike inflatables, the Porta-Bote is ready to go in just a few minutes. At the crack of dawn when the trout are leaping out of the clear mountain lake... well, expediency is obviously of the utmost importance. Setup is a matter of unfolding the boat and inserting seats. Assembly is an easy one-person job."

PORTA-BOTE’S Exclusive “Lifeguard Flotation System”®

SHOCK ABSORBING DEEP KEEL “FLEXI-HULL”®

With Newly Patented Built In Folding Transom And Watertight Folding Membrane

Time Proven... over 40 years in production–Thousands in use.

GUARANTEED TO LAST A LIFETIME

SPECIFICATIONS

Lengths Options........... 6 ft. (1.83m) 8 ft. (2.44m) 10 ft. (3.05m) 12 ft. (3.66m) 14 ft. (4.28m)

Average Folded Thickness for all Boats................ Front: 3" (7.6cm) - Rear: 7" (17.8cm)

Folded Width................ 24 in. (60cm) 24 in. (60cm) 24 in. (60cm) 24 in. (60cm)

Beam (width)................. 56 in. (1.42m) 60 in. (1.52m) 60 in. (1.52m) 60 in. (1.52m)

Draft.......................... 4 in. (10.2cm) 4 in. (10.2cm) 4 in. (10.2cm) 4 in. (10.2cm)

Depth Midship................. 22 in. (55.9cm) 24 in. (60cm) 24 in. (60cm) 24 in. (60cm)

Hull Weight (less seats)...... 66lbs (30.0kg) 77lbs (34.9kg) 87lbs (39.5kg) 108lbs (49kg)

Capacity (persons, motor and gear)........ 44 lbs (20kg) 55 lbs (25kg) 64 lbs (46kg) 84 lbs (38.6kg)

Folded Width.................. 24 in. (59cm) 24 in. (59cm) 24 in. (59cm) 24 in. (59cm)

Shaft Length (long shaft)..... 24 in. (60cm) 24 in. (60cm) 24 in. (60cm)

Maximum Engine Weight........ 35 lbs (15.9kg) 56 lbs (25kg) 56 lbs (25kg) 56 lbs (25kg)

Material: UV Buffered Copolymer Polypropylene, an Engineered Resin

Colors Available: Pacific Pearl, Aluminum and Olive Drab

Hull Material Limited Warranty: 10 years

Metal Fittings: Stainless Steel, Anodized Aluminum & Solid Brass

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SHOCK ABSORBING DEEP KEEL “FLEXI-HULL”®

When The Distance To The Water Is Great...