



TIPS FOR USING VERSA



1

Practice using the thumb pin to change the angle of Versa. Do this on dry land. You'll find that you have to lift the left shaft up a bit to take the pressure off of the pin in its slot so that it can be adjusted. Push down and pull back on the button.

2

Practice using the three push pins on each shaft to adjust the length of the paddle shafts. Once you're on the water, you'll find different lengths work better than others.

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For entering and exiting your kayak, simply flip the hinged mount up. Avoid putting your body weight on the mount as you may damage the stabilization brackets, hinge plate and/or mount.

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If you find the Versa is difficult to remove from the clevis, you may want to take a metal file to the clevis pin (i.e., the small v-shaped metal fork inside the clevis). Be very conservative because if you file it too much, the pin that holds the Versa paddle together will slip out too easily from the clevis while you're paddling. Better too tight than too loose.

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We've found that it's easiest, if you are able, to use the paddle straight and off the mount upon entering and exiting the water. Straight mode and on the mount works well in open water conditions where you may have a bit of choppy water. Angled and on the mount works well when the water is very calm as it minimizes the likelihood of the paddle skipping on the water during strokes. So go ahead - experiment with the shaft lengths, paddle mode and use of mount to find out what works best for you! While you're at it, try paddling backward and practice turning.

6

The stainless steel center pin that connects the two shafts of Versa should be tight when you receive it. If it becomes loose over time, just open up the angled component to access a hole that contains a set pin. Use a small Allen wrench to tighten the set pin by turning to the right.

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You may want to keep a Phillips screwdriver handy as the tightening screws on the track occasionally come loose. This will allow you to position and tighten the track in its most ideal position for your body.

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Both Versa paddle shafts contain a small amount of foam to aid in flotation, however, occasionally it will not be enough to hold the weight of the paddle. We recommend purchasing and using additional spray foam in each shaft, being careful not to extend the foam past the first shaft hole.

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TIPS FOR USING GAMUT



1

For entering and exiting your kayak, simply flip the hinged mount up. Avoid putting your body weight on the mount as you may damage the stabilization brackets, hinge plate and/or mount.

2

If you find the Gamut is difficult to remove from the clevis, you may want to take a metal file to the clevis pin (i.e., the small v-shaped metal fork inside the clevis). Be very conservative because if you file it too much, the pin that holds the Gamut will slip out too easily from the clevis while you're paddling. Better to have it a little too tight than too loose.

3

We've found that it's easiest, if you are able, to use your paddle out of the Gamut mount upon entering and exiting the water. Once you're out on the water and have more room to maneuver, just pop your paddle back into Gamut. Go ahead and experiment to find out what works best for you! While you're at it, try paddling backward and practice turning.

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You may want to keep a Phillips screwdriver handy as the tightening screws on the track (if applicable) occasionally come loose. This will allow you to position and tighten the track in its most ideal position for your body.

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If you find that your paddle slips out of the Gamut roller grips -- particularly if you're favoring one side more -- you can add the two small velco straps that are included with your purchase to keep the paddle firmly attached to the Gamut.



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