

At **Carl Douglas Racing Shells** we don't really build 'off-the-shelf' boats. Even on our 'standard' models, we offer options for you to customised your boat to your individual preferences. This document will guide you through those various available options. If you have any questions please do get in touch, we are always happy to talk them through with you.

Once you have decided on the perfect boat for you, please click on the **Quote me a Boat** page and complete the checklist. Send that to us and we will then send you a quote based on your specific requirements.

The options start here with three styles of boat to cater for every taste, from the sublime to the luxurious...

 <p><b>CD-X</b> singles from £8000</p>	 <p><b>CUSTOM</b> singles from £8800</p>	 <p><b>SPECIAL</b> singles from £9500</p>	 <p><b>FAST BEAUTIFUL RESPONSIVE</b></p>
 <p><b>CD-X</b> pairs/doubles from £12800</p>	 <p><b>CUSTOM</b> pairs/doubles from £14000</p>	 <p><b>SPECIAL</b> pairs/doubles from £15200</p>	 <p><b>SINGLES DOUBLES PAIRS</b></p>

More responsive and a better performer than all other makes. The **CD-X** is tough, stiff, light and enduring. Built with the same meticulous care, to the same designs and with the same outstanding fittings as every Carl Douglas Shell, but with a hard, white, polished finish. The **CD-X** is a no-nonsense racing machine at a most affordable price.

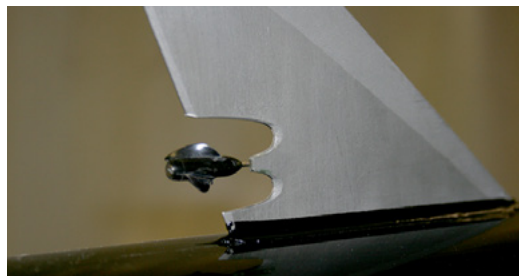
The original and still the best. The **Custom** has been developed and refined over 40 years into the pinnacle of performance and quality. This true composite combines the optimum properties of veneer, Kevlar, carbon and epoxy for the finest, stiffest, fastest shell and the smoothest experience. The hard, clear, polished finish enhances the true beauty of the matched Mahogany and Cedar grains and characteristic Maple deck stripe while protecting from mishap and misuse. The **Custom** is truly an object of love and a boat for life.

For the person who demands the very best in everything. The **Special** has all the superlative quality and performance of all Carl Douglas shells, but in your very personal selection of veneers and details. Choose from a distinctive palette of beautiful veneers including Walnut, Rosewood, Black Tulip, Avodire and other exquisite woods for the ultimate high-performance personal statement. Further enhance your boat with inlaid names, logos and designs. Your **Special** will be a truly unique statement.

Carl Douglas Racing Shells are small boat specialists and all three of the models in our range are available as singles, doubles or pairs. Of course, you may want your double to convert to a pair – no problem! And you get to steer it with our wonderful AeRowFin – also available for doubles.

Our selection of options are available on all three boat classes and you can choose from the following crew-weight brackets.

<60kg 70kg 78kg 85kg 92kg 100kg+



NK SPEEDCOACH

£400



HAND GRIPS

£90



BOTTLE POCKET

£150



CUSTOM SEAT

Clean, low-drag, embedded installation which includes:

- Turbine spinner set into fin blade (*see above*)
- Rate-meter magnet bonded to seat spindle.
- Special monitor mount on aft deck (*see below*)
- All cables and sensors invisible

Installation does not include the NK monitor but we can obtain one for you.

Sculpted wood handles bonded to the boat that enable much easier boat handling off the water. Choose either or both handles:

**Forward grip** (*see above*) on the forward part of slide-bed, inside the washboards and ahead of the slides.

**Aft grip** (*see below*) on the vertical face of the main (frontstops) bulkhead below the slide ends.

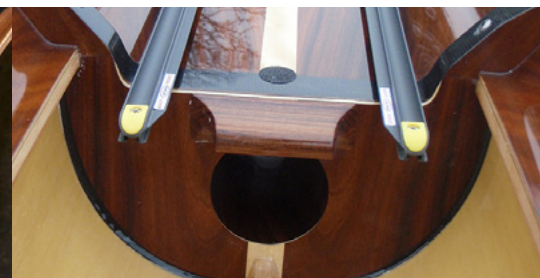
Our in-built cylindrical pocket takes a 75mm diameter water bottle. This neat, useful option is made from a matching laminate, positioned either:

**Forward** (*see above*), set into the slide-bed, behind backstops, this is the usual and recommended position.

**Aft** (*see below*), set into the vertical face of the main (frontstops) bulkhead below the slide ends.

People are not all the same shape so why would the same shaped seat fit all people? Often of course, they don't and can be uncomfortable. You may find our standard seat perfectly suitable but if not, we offer a unique custom seat service – a seat made specifically to fit your bum! This service is included with all new boat orders.

For more information about a custom seat and how to measure for it, please visit our website.



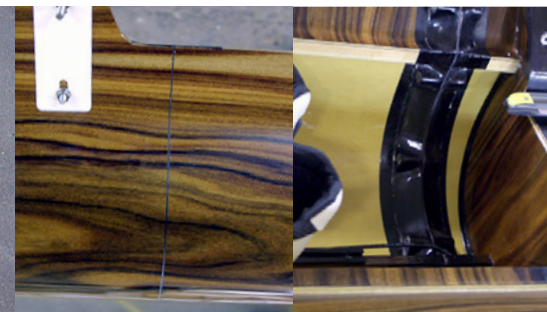




Road-traffic regulations in English-speaking countries are generally helpful to owners of singles and doubles, but in mainland Europe it is generally illegal to car-top one-piece shells due to the overhang at one or both ends of the car.

When sectioned, our shells will normally fit within prescribed length limits, can be securely racked, do not exceed the permitted vehicle roof loadings and may be car-topped in every country.

Owners expecting to car-top a new shell in mainland Europe should seriously consider a section joint. Our strong, elegant section joint adds only about 700 grams to the boat's weight and in no way affects its strength or integrity. It allows rapid assembly and dismantling and is almost undetectable by feel on the outside surface of the hull.



Our purpose-built racks for sectioned singles allow the boat to travel sectioned or in one piece.

Section joint – Single Scull £950

Section joint – Double Scull £1100

Section joint – Pair-Oar £1100

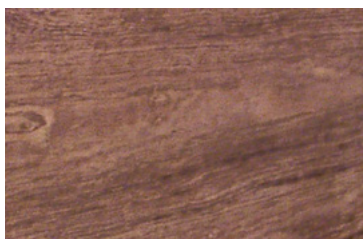
Special V-bar rack £250  
(for one or two-piece transport of sectional single scull)

Unique to our shells, over and above their exceptional quality, performance and durability, is the amazing range of woods and finishes that we offer those who seek a high-performance racing shell of outstanding character.

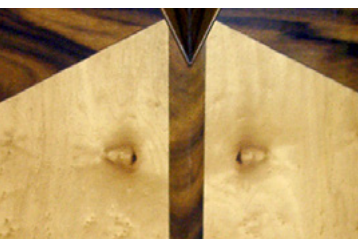
Our classic and most familiar shell is, of course, the Custom. You may have this in your free choice/mix of Mahoganies (African or Brazilian) and Cedar outer veneers, with Maple deck stripes.

However, the **Specials** allow you to have the finish and detailing of your dreams without compromising performance or durability. It is impossible to give the full range of veneer options and pricing as these depend on client preference, current availability and our professional assessment of the suitability of these veneers.

These are some of the more attractive woods that we can build your **Special** in ...



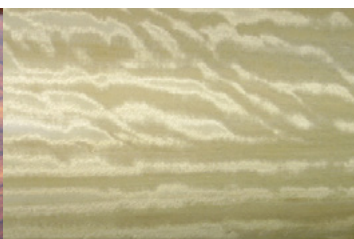
DOMINICAN ROSEWOOD



BIRD'S EYE MAPLE



SANTOS ROSEWOOD



AVODIRE



BLACK-DYED TULIP



BLACK WALNUT

A Dark purplish-black veneer with a fine-featured close grain.

Champagne, with the "bird's eyes" providing the bubbles – this beautiful yet serviceable finish is best used for decks only.

Strongly-figured grain with blacks through reds to amber/white – a strong and aesthetically pleasing statement.

Rippling, glowing golden colour with holographic shimmer – the boat blazes with flashes of light in low sun.

Hard, black, American Tulipwood, with a soft grain just visible, is striking in its simplicity and makes a very light boat.

Despite the name, a dark purplish-grey wood that mellows to warm ochre and brown, usually with a strongly featured grain. This beautiful traditional wood is very tough and durable and is our most affordable Special

*All of our veneers are from approved sources, sustainably grown and legally harvested*



**INLAID LETTERING**

from £300

You may specify text and initials in your preferred styles, veneers, fonts, details and positions, with our experts ready to help and advise.

**BESPOKE INLAYS & MOTIFS**

To personalise your Custom and Special shells we can insert marquetry inlays in contrasting veneers within the outer laminate. Almost anything is possible within reason (or cost!) and we are happy to discuss, design and evolve details of your choice.

Prices by quotation only

**VINYL NAMES**

per pair from £75

Your chosen boat name in applied vinyl lettering with font, format, detail and colour all to your specification – normally positional on the hull near the bow or on the saxboards.

We can also provide other lettering such as ID numbers for rowing on British waterways.





DECK STRIPES

from £200

SPECIAL FIGURES

OTHER EFFECTS

Where appropriate, or desired by the client, we can vary our characteristic deck centre-stripe. Thus a Bird's Eye Maple deck, being very light in colour, will not work well with a standard Maple centre-stripe but looks great with a darker stripe.

Normally there is no surcharge for stripe colour coordination, but we offer an option of a braided carbon stripe for £200. This weave gives the sense of great depth, the pattern seeming to move beneath the clear surface.

Sometimes we can obtain strikingly unusual figures in wood veneers which normally have a more familiar grain. These may include some with "interlocked" or "fiddle-back" grains, and other complex features normally absent. They may present extra problems during lamination and will carry a surcharge but result in very distinctive boats.

In this Special avodire sectional double, contrasting striping in the cockpits gives a beautiful result.

In this Special rosewood single, the deck stripe runs through the slide-bed and bulkheads.

We always welcome your suggestions and ideas for interesting finishes and detailing but there may be a surcharge for anything particularly adventurous!

**CONTAINER SHIPPING****INDIVIDUAL BOXES****CAR-TOP COLLECTION OR DELIVERY**

Where possible, when trans-ocean shipping we try to coordinate boat orders and load several boats, well-cushioned, into a dedicated shipping container which we load and seal at our works. This is the best way to ship and minimises freight and handling costs. The container remains locked from the moment it leaves us until it reaches its port of destination. The owners of the boats then are responsible, between themselves, for arranging unloading, clearance and onward transportation.

Generally boats are bubble-wrapped for protection during transport, whichever method of delivery is chosen.

When trans-ocean shipping boats singly, they travel by shared shipping container but protected in our special custom-made shipping boxes.

We can ship individual boats across mainland Europe by commercial trucking services. This is the method by which we usually deliver to our agencies in Germany and the Netherlands and to individual clients in other countries. This is a very satisfactory method, but the client must meet the vehicle and unload their boat on its arrival.

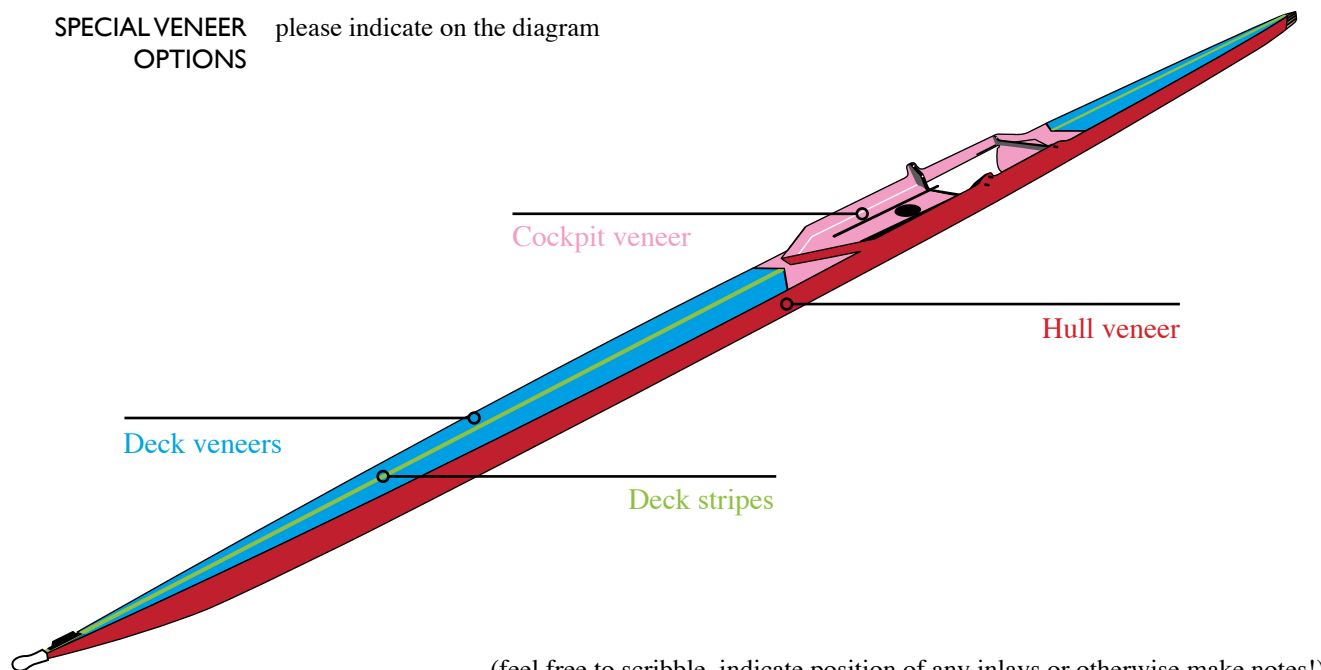
Riggers and some other fittings may be boxed and sent separately, especially if being shipped outside of the UK.

Within the UK (and sometimes into Northern Europe) we may be able to deliver your boat ourselves. But you will probably want to visit our works, to collect your boat in person and to take your first outing here on the Thames. If you wish, we can then run an eye over your sculling, enabling us to discuss details of set-up and, if necessary, to help you with any minor adjustments – just one aspect of the service we give to our clients.

Shipping prices are continuously fluctuating so please contact us for a quotation.

BOAT CLASS ☐ Single ☐ Double ☐ PairMODEL ☐ CD-X ☐ Custom ☐ SpecialCREW WEIGHT ☐ <60kg ☐ 70kg ☐ 78kg ☐ 85kg ☐ 92kg ☐ 100kg+STANDARD OPTIONS ☐ Bottle pocket ☐ Carry handles ☐ Speed Coach ☐ SectioningCUSTOM VENEER OPTIONS ☒ Hull and ☒ cockpit veneers ☐ Mahogany or ☐ Cedar☒ Deck veneers (with ☒ maple stripes) ☐ Mahogany or ☐ Cedar

SPECIAL VENEER OPTIONS please indicate on the diagram



(feel free to scribble, indicate position of any inlays or otherwise make notes!)

Please consider this form as a guideline to help you specify your boat and to help us generate a quotation for that boat.

Don't worry if you are not sure about some aspects, it is a process that you want to get right so it may well take time to evolve.

We are always happy to help with your boat specification, either by telephone, email or in person at our workshop.

Please also supply drawings or photographs of ideas you may have for any inlays.

NAME

ADDRESS

TELEPHONE

EMAIL ADDRESS

if applicable

BOAT CLUB

YOUR POSITION

DATE