

THE UGLY LIMITED EDITION  
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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)

Q: Why is the Limited Edition made of Balsa wood?

A: Balsa Wood was traditionally used before foam (early 1930's through the 1960's longboard era) and gives the legendary Ugly shape a classic look that is aesthetically pleasing to the eyes. Balsa is stronger and heavier than foam. Balsa takes a meticulous application to detail when shaping, requiring the expense of a long time and great patience due to grain changes in the wood. Balsa retains the original shape over a long period of time. For these reasons 12<sup>th</sup> Floor Foam & Glass decided to make The Ugly a Limited Edition of 250 in Balsa wood, numbered and signed by Bob Purvey.

Q: What length does the Limited Edition come in?

A: We make any length from nine feet (9') to eleven feet (11'). The first Ugly Bob Purvey rode was 9' 8". He was 5' 11" tall and weighed 165 lbs with an average body frame.

Q: What width is it?

A: The Ugly Limited Edition width is between twenty-two and a half inches (22 1/2") to twenty-three inches (23"), depending on the length. The width is proportioned to the length and follows the unique Ugly template.

Q: How are the rails shaped?

A: In the 60's, it was 50-50 rails throughout the middle, 60-40 approaching the tip and tail and then turned up at the tip and tail. The original template had parallel rails throughout the middle and a blunt tip.

Q: How thick is it?

A: It's generally 2.75" to 3.5" depending on length.

Q: How is the stringer made?

A. There are Cedar 1/4" wood stringers that sandwich a Balsa center, which spreads apart as it graduates to the tip. The stringer that spreads enables us to get the wide 20" nose that the Ugly is known for and originated.

Q: What kind of fiberglass is used to laminate the shaped blank?

A: "E" fiberglass is used exclusively on The Ugly LE.

Q: Should I get a glassed on fin or a fin-box?

A: A glassed on wood laminated fin is included.

Q: Do I need a tail and nose block?

A: Nose blocks and tail blocks protect the tip and tail from severe damage.

Q: Do I have to be an expert to be able to ride The Ugly?

A: The Ugly makes you want to tip ride and challenges you to stay on the tip longer than you can imagine. It's also great for beginners because of its tremendous stability. The Ugly design is not only extremely stable but it is also very forgiving and keeps you from making mistakes. It helps make you a tiprider or even a better tiprider.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at [uglyboards@theuglysurfboard.com](mailto:uglyboards@theuglysurfboard.com)