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TALIC SEAHORSE

\$94 per 21" pair; \$104 per 31" pair // www.talic.com

Yes, you can build your own boat cradles, but who has the time? We'd rather be fishing, or rigging 'yaks in the driveway on these folding aluminum cradles, which unlike the homemade variety compress to just 3" wide for storage and transport.

PRO: Self-leveling feature adjusts to uneven terrain.

CON: The back injuries we developed bending over to rig boats before we had these.



YAKIMA SHOWBOAT

\$100 // www.yakima.com

Most rooftop kayak carriers were designed for empty touring kayaks, not fully rigged fishing kayaks. Before you give up and buy a trailer, take a look at the ShowBoat, which is basically a giant rubber rolling pin that slides out over the back of your car so you can shove your boat up one end at a time all by yourself. Fits round, square and factory roof racks out of the box.

PRO: The amount of crap we can rig on our kayaks just doubled.

CON: Requires an extra set of 66" Yakima CrossBars, not included (\$60).



LASSO KONG CABLE

\$65 // www.lassosecuritycables.com

The eighth commandment notwithstanding, some people just can't be trusted when you've got your boat racked and ready to roll after work. Parking-lot peace of mind comes in a handy coil of half-inch galvanized steel.

PRO: Wraps around the bow and stern; more secure than locking to a deck fitting.

CON: One less excuse to buy a new kayak.



C-TUG KAYAK CART

\$150 // www.c-tug.com

Save your back and extra trips from car to beach with the C-Tug. The New Zealand-made kayak cart breaks down to a handful of stash-in-the-hatch pieces. A slick cradle design conforms to most hull types and shouldn't cause oil-canning or scupper damage. The lightweight composite frame, pneumatic tires and stainless steel reinforced axles handle a beefy 264 lb load—enough for a fully loaded fishing 'yak.—PAUL LEBOWITZ

PRO: Turns an awkward solo carry into a walk in the park.

CON: Included tie-down strap feels a bit flimsy; easily swapped with a typical nylon strap.