



## TRAVEL TIME

FOR 75 YEARS, FOLDING BOAT MANUFACTURER FOLBOT has enjoyed a cult following, as evidenced by heavy traffic on folbotforum.com, where hundreds of loyal fans post photos and reports on trips from Alaska to New Zealand. The sleek lines on the Cooper (\$1,645, [FOLBOT.COM](http://FOLBOT.COM)), Folbot's first design aimed more at the serious paddler, rather than the recreational weekender, might just make you a convert too. The 16-foot-6-inch hypalon hull and 24-inch-wide, UV-resistant polyester deck stretch drum-tight over an aircraft grade aluminum frame, which is shock-corded together for easy folding and stowing whether traveling by plane, train, or pack animal. At 35 and a half pounds, the whole package meets most airline baggage requirements and comes with a customer-friendly, lifetime warranty against defects—making it a mission-ready ride constrained only by the outer limits of the imagination. —Kate Stepan