

Balsa Flite

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AS:

'Balsa Flite'..... started 1973..... 2011
'Corretumbos Chopolla'..... started 1996..... 2011

OWNER: Skip "Andres" Kozminski, shaper

FACTORY:

Montañita, Ecuador..... s 1973..... x 1979
Playas, Ecuador..... s 1980..... 2011

MODELS: None reported to date.

BLANKS:

Wood:

Hollow Ecuadorian balsa with 20cm (8") rib spacing..... 1973..... 2011
Solid Ecuadorian balsa, few made..... 1973..... 2011
Composite Ecuadorian balsa / EPS..... 1980's..... 1980's

Foam: Source unknown, about 5 made..... 1973..... 2010

NOSE & TAIL BLOCK: Ecuadorian hardwoods..... 1980's..... 2011

OTHER SHAPER: Albert "Ace" Elliott..... 1980..... 1980

LOGOS:

'Balsa Flite - shaped by Albert (?) Elliott - ACE - (?) AFRO' **Figure 1**..... s 1980..... x 1980
'Balsa Flite' **Figure 2**..... c 2000's..... d 2001
'Balsa Flite' **Figure 3**..... c 2000's..... c 2000's



Figure 1



Figure 2



Figure 3

NUMBERING: [Reliability = 10]

Dated, month + 4 digit year..... 1980..... 1990
None reported..... 1991..... 2011

PRODUCTION:

Balsa Flite: About 2,000 made to date.
Corretumbos Chopolla: About 10 made to date.

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