

OWNER: Dr. Bruce "Snake" Gabrielson , shaper

FACTORIES: ([Website](#))

Huntington Beach, California (Garfield & Delaware).....	started 1969.	x 1978
Limited production.	s 1979.	x 2004
Chesapeake Beach, Maryland.	s 2005.	2012

MODELS:

"Gray Ghost" 6'6" to 7'8", single fin, round diamond tail, about 40 made to date.	s 1971.	2012
No logo, grey pigment coat		
"John Van Ornum" (VO) 6'0" to 6'8", single fin, diamond tail, about 50 made.	s 1971.	x 1973
No logo, 20 shaped by John, with "JO" initials		
NOTE: Template on display at the International Surfing Museum in Huntington Beach, Ca.		
"Tim Wirick" No logo, 6'7" to 7'6", single fin early, tri fin later, diamond tail, about 50 made...	s 1972.	x 1974
Carried a gray Wave Trek logo, Figure 2 .		

BLANKS:

Wood: Solid San Salvadorian balsa: 2 made to date.....	1970.	2012
Foam:		
Rogers.	1969.	1974
Clark.	1974.	1978
Walker.	2005.	2012
East coast brands.	2005.	2012

OTHER SHAPERS:

Dave Soble.	2005.	2010
La Roy Dennis.....	1973.	1978
Steve Rehl.	1975.	1976
Vallen Krimbow.	1974.	1976
NOTE: All Wave Trek boards, except for those signed by Rehl, were shaped using		
Dale Velzy's original planer, the one used for his balsas and first foam board.		

SHAPES:

Hawaiian guns, about 300 made.	1969.	1976
High Performance, about 2,400 made.....	1969.	1978
Produced for ranked surfers. The surfer and shapers names were written on the stringer followed by special serial numbers.		
Pocket rocket guns.	1970.	1972
Transitional.	1969.	1976
Fishes & longboards.	2005.	2010

NOSE:

Pointed & kicked.....	1969.	1960's
Turned down rails.	1970's.	1978

TAIL:

Pin	1969.	2012
All types.	1970.	2012

RAILS: Turned down, hard. 1971. 1973

LOGOS:

'Wave Trek' Figure 1	s 1969.	x 1969
Less than 10 boards were made with this logo. Too much black in the artwork caused lifting from sun exposure.		
'Wave Trek' Figure 2	s 1969.	x 2004
'Wave Trek - Surfboards' Figure 3	s 2002.	2010



Figure 1



Figure 2



Figure 3

'Wave Trek - Surfboards' **Figure 4** s 2005. 2010

SIGNATURES:

'Snake - Gabrielson' **Figure 5**, laminate. s 2007. 2010



Figure 4



Figure 5

COLOR:

Air brushing by Bob Milfield ('69-'76). 1969. 1980

Opaque pigment & other colors. 1969. 1980's

GLASSING:

Short boards: 6 oz, deck & bottom. 1969. 2012

Longboards: 6 oz & 4 oz deck patch (some), 6 oz bottom. 1969. 2012

Cut lap volan, few after 2005. 1969. 2012

Free lap silene. 1974. 2012

RESINS: Typical for period. 1969. 2012

FINS:

Own glassed on glass fins. 1969. 1978

Fins Unlimited (longboards). 1969. 2012

O'Fish'L (short boards).. 2005. 2012

Single. 1969. 2012

Tri 1990's. 2012

FINISH:

Glossed & polished. 1969. 2012

Sanded. 2005. 2012

NUMBERING: [Reliability = 9.5] Note: Numbering started at 100.

<100> to <423>. 1969. 1970

<424> to <1,311>. 1971. 1975

<1,312> to <1,560>. 1976. 1978

Dated with the year. 2005. 2012

NOTE: Some team riders shaped their own boards and may have initialed them.

PRODUCTION: Data not available.

We would like to express our thanks to Dr. Bruce Gabrielson for his contributions to this profile.

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