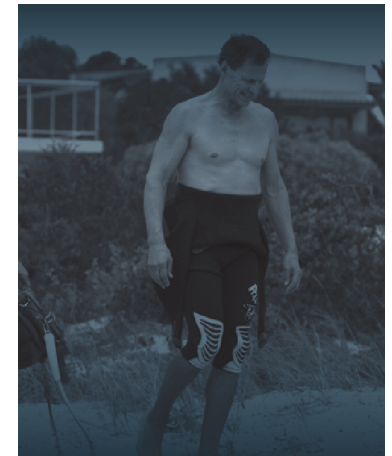


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## REBEL 2017 AN INSIDE VIEW FROM DESIGNER KEN WINNER

A high performance Freeride and Big Air kite suited to everyone from beginner to expert, the Rebel will deliver maxim output with minimum input. Since the beginning, the Rebel has long been known for its exceptionally smooth, stable and shake-free feeling through the bar, but this year it's even better! Read what designer Ken Winner has to say.



KITES

### What was your vision for developing the 2017 Rebel?

The Rebel is a Freeride kite that has been fine-tuned across the varying size categories in order to emphasize the different aspects of its performance and capabilities. Whilst last year we adjusted the aspect ratios, this year we focused more on improving the range with an enhanced steadiness of bar feel, prevention of back-stalling and smoother turning abilities. The Rebel has long been known for that exceptional bar feeling which is extremely smooth, stable and shake-free. But this year it's even better.

### Do you work with any Team Riders in the R&D process for the 2017 Rebel, and how does that help?

I live on Maui, so it's only natural for me to call on Team Riders who are also based here. I work closely with Sky Solbach and Patri McLaughlin who of course provide great feedback from the top end of the skill scale. In addition to this, I also worked with riders who have less experience and are less accomplished. It's always good to get people of varying riding abilities to test an all-around kite like the Rebel.

### What are the main differences between the new 2017 Rebel and last year's model?

This year we doubled the segment between the quarter struts resulting in eight, rather than the previously seen four segments. This design update gives the canopy a rounder shape in the front which eliminates tendencies to back-stall and gives a smoother, more precise and consistent profile overall. This consistency also ensures a larger wind

range and smoother bar feel. We also moved the quarter strut slightly down towards the trip strut, which helps to keep luff and flutter in this particular area to a minimum. It also creates a rounder turning style similar to that of the Neo.

### What are your recommendations on the different settings?

One of the features that gives the Rebel its uniquely short bar stroke and superior performance in over-powered conditions is the loaded 5th line. The cost of getting this superior performance is the need to ensure that the 5th line is the same length as the front flying lines. Riders should quickly check the 5th line length every five sessions or so. Anyone who finds the 5th line to be more than 1.5 cm or 2 cm longer than the front lines should shorten it by putting an extra knot on the 5th line at the V. The other Rebel adjustment can be found in the adaptive tip. Riders who prefer a harder, more direct bar feel, can use the Hard bar setting.

### Which line length do you use on the different kites?

We usually use 22 m lines on all the sizes, but for extra power we sometimes use 24 m.

### In a nutshell what are the main updates for 2017?

More segments in the center of the kite for a rounder profile entry and more consistent profile throughout the center of the kite. This ensures rounder turning, a smoother bar feel, enhanced wind range and prevention against back-stalling.

# REBEL

## HIGH PERFORMANCE FREERIDE / BIG AIR

A high performance Freeride and Big Air kite whose all-time classic Rebel performance delivers the typical characteristic and unmatched bar feedback.

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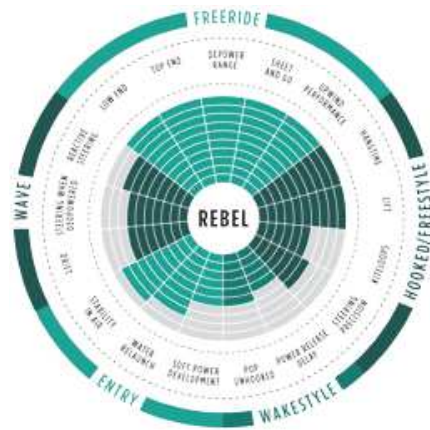
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**PERFORMANCE FEATURES**

- > Best wind range
- > Excellent hangtime and lift for highest and longest jumps
- > Best sheet and go power development
- > Short bar stroke for great bar feedback

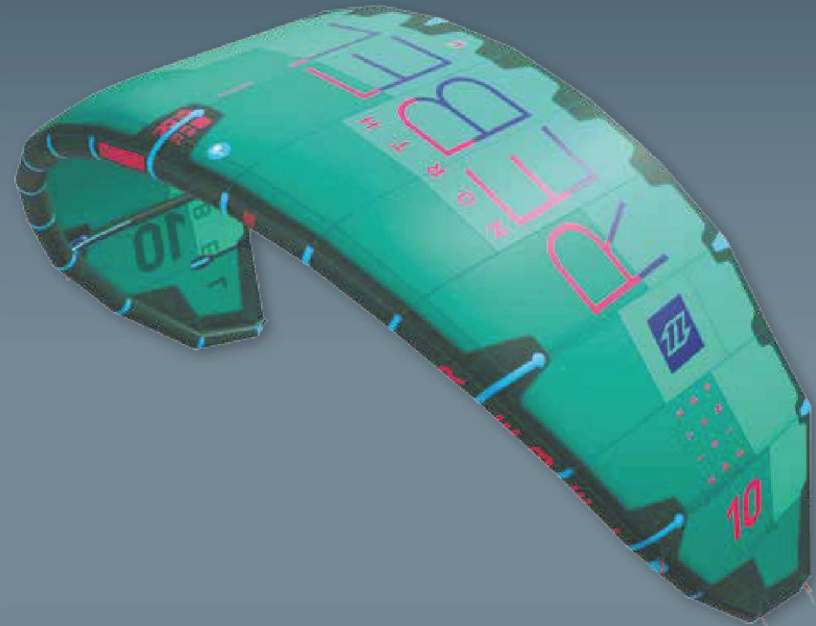
**TECH DETAILS**

- > Flat kite design
- > Loaded 5th line
- > 5 strut design



The Rebel is the benchmark of a high performance Freeride and Big Air kite impressing everyone from entry level to expert. Its all-time classic characteristics will deliver maximum performance already at minimum steering inputs with super precise bar feedback. Since the beginning, the Rebel has long been known for its exceptionally smooth, stable and shake-free feeling through the bar, which has even be refined. The loaded 5th line delivers a short bar stroke for sheet and go power and superior direct bar feel, even in overpowered and gusty conditions. The new design update of additional segments through the centre of the kite ensures rounder turning, enhanced wind range, as well as even more lift and hangtime. The additional size 15m will mainly please heavier riders as their boosting machine. Get ready to go big and free your ride with the new 2017 Rebel.

Size	Windrange	Rec. Line Length
5	23-42	22 (24)
6	21-40	22 (24)
7	19-38	22 (24)
8	17-36	22 (24)
9	15-34	22-24
10	13-32	22-24
11	12-29	22-24
12	11-26	22-24
13	10-23	24-27
14	9-20	24-27
15	8-18	24-27



CC1 - SNORKEL BLUE/DUSK BLUE/LIME



CC2 - PEPPER GREEN/PEACOCK/LOLLIPOP



CC3 - RED BUD/LOLLIPOP/DUSK BLUE

