



The story behind Rhino



HOW IT ALL STARTED

In my younger days, I used to skateboard in the streets a lot and for many years I competed in the Belgian BMX dirt track competition.

When I took over the furniture business from my father in 1999, I had a great opportunity to combine the following 3 things:

- 1 my personal interest in extreme sports in general
- 2 a great company with modern wood/composite working technology
- 3 the possibility to develop a new skate ramp

When I look back, the timing could not have been better, because the huge expansion of many extreme sports (skateboarding, inline skating, snowboarding, wave surfing, kite surfing, downhill MTB, etc.....) started around the same time. This development was and still is supported by the unabated attention of the

media, industry (clothing, beverages, video games, etc.) and organisations (skate federations).

> We started our dealer network in Belgium and the surrounding EU countries, but we quickly learned that interest in skate parks was very high world-wide. Teenagers in Australia, Chile, Iceland, Europe, the USA or Japan behave the same, wear the

same clothes, like the same music and extreme sports. As a consequence, we enlarged our dealer network to countries all over the world. Together with my team of dedicated and professional people, we work hard daily to serve more than 35 markets.

Please contact Wim, our main designer-skater, a winner of many skate competitions, to assist you with all your skate questions.

THE RIGHT TO EXPRESS YOURSELF

In a world that's spinning faster every day, kids are less physically active, due to the introduction of new technologies such as amusement games, computers, TV. internet, etc.

They are living largely in a pre-programmed, spoiled, virtual world where obesity and ego-centrism have become serious problems. Young people have the right to free "play" and we have the obligation to provide it for them in this modern and fast world.

Good playgrounds, multisport arena's, and challenging play equipment are ideal for younger kids and teenagers.

But, there's also an important group of younger people that is looking for greater challenges and a location where they can socialize and show off. We can create these "hang out's" with well conceived skate parks, where skaters can develop their talents and express their life style.

What is unique is that skate parks are the only meeting points where you can see a 9 year old kid and a 18 year old teenager respectfully learning

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tricks from each other. While there are still people that see skate parks as problem areas, there are many more communities who realise that a good skate park contributes to a well balanced community, developing for example:

- respect between young and old
- · learning from each other (mentally and physically)
- communication
- responsibility
- physical development
- challenges

GOOD PARKS

The skaters need to communicate their needs with the commune, learn how to negotiate, excercise responsibility and, finally, demonstrate respect for what they get. When we provide public sporting places for the youngster generation, we have an important responsibility for safe design.

In the first place, the community should provide a suitable location. There must be means for social control and the skate park should be easily accessible for the users. Parents need to know that their kids are in a designated safe location.

Secondly, the communities should buy from proven professional companies. We design skate parks according to European safety norms, which results, with well integrated ramp configurations and flow, in desirable and safe facilities. Our designs are controlled by an official independent testing house , the TÜV, who annually recertify the production, products,

construction, materials and skate park designs.

Many ramp producers are less dedicated to detail
and are satisfied if they can sell a few structures that
they combine into a "so called" skate park.

Thirdly, communities should realise that a dedicated skate park requires a suitable budget. It is easy to provide the skaters with a quarter-pipe and a fun-box and then think you have correctly responded to the requirement. This unfortunate attitude is often counter productive. Only well sized skate parks that correspond to the interests of skaters (and this group is still growing), will be popular and well frequented, thus contributing positive benefits to the local community.

Small parks with inferior quality structures are avoided by skaters. Skateboarding is a serious sport / lifestyle and must be treated as such; with worthy development budgets such as enjoyed by other sports, for example soccer/tennis fields or swimming pools. There are more kids in the USA practising skateboarding than baseball. This huge group of sport activists deserves well conceived skate sport facilities.

Skateboard installations have specific needs and characteristics that can only be build and advised by specialised, professional companies who have a proven practical skating "know-how".

In the next step, I will disclose all the essentials in our skate ramp system that reveal a simple truth that a good skate park survives on details. It is extremely important to underline these facts with potential customers. Skaters want a guarantee that they get premiere quality skate ramps, as inferior quality ramps degrade in less than a year, quickly rendering them dangerous and "out of service".

DEVELOPMENT OF THE RAMPS

When we started to develop our "Rhino" system more than 10 years ago, we imitated as much as possible the well built wooden ramps, such as are used for major competitions and popular indoor parks. A well built wooden ramp provides the skater with the ride he or she requires, namely, a stable construction with sufficient flex to absorb vibrations, a fast surface and dependable adherence for the board or skates under all weather conditions.

Unfortunately, wood is not durable enough for outdoor public spaces, and therefore, we were obliged to look for alternative materials that could withstand all climate extremes.

To create our market winning skate ramps, we opted for the best available composite materials that have the equivalent desirable characteristics of wood.

CONCLUSION

The proven Rhino quality outclasses any existing skate park system in the world. Our combination of skating experience, CNC/CAD technology, high quality composite materials, world-wide experience

(good dealer network), technical advantages, good park designs, market research / knowledge and continuous adaption to skating evolution make us a preferred manufacturer. We are proud to have pioneered many new standards in the skate ramp world and we will continue to maintain the respect from the skaters by involving buyers and users in the development process. The major task of the dealers is to explain to future clients and skaters why there are advantages to our modular system.

Many people still classify skate facilities into two main groups, (1) customised concrete parks or (2) modular parks. We have created a Third classification, namely high quality composite RHINO ramps with a reputation for durability and reliability that other manufacturers can only dream of.

Peter van Winkel
Owner RHINO RAMPS



RHINO®

You can trust our quality



More than 10 years ago, Rhino set the standard for composite skate ramp construction.

Now after years of experience, we have developed the perfect combination of skating performance and product durability.

Our composite construction gives the skaters the solid ride and feel they require to pursue their sport. Our galvanised and stainless steel finish delivers the low maintenance and long life that public works projects demand from the toughest neighbourhoods to the most extreme climates of the world.

RHINO uses only the highest quality materials available to construct the most solid and durable ramps in the market.



SAFETY RAILS

adequate air flow.

and unwanted access.

GALVANISED STEEL SIDES

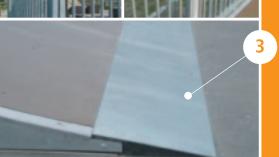
Heavy duty, hot galvanised steel safety rails, built to last for ever.

Ventilation is designed into every ramp to allow for

All our ramps are fully enclosed to prevent trash collection

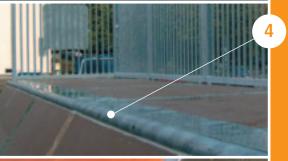
Quite simply, the toughest finishing standard available.

Vertical solid bars contain flying skateboards and (unlike horizontal pickets) they are very difficult to climb.



TOEPLATES

Hot galvanised steel toeplates. The smoothest on the market. Our approach angles are smaller than any competitor.



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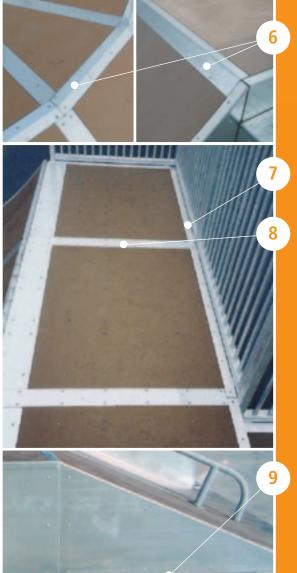
Hot galvanised 3 mm thick steel tube to grind on. The surface behind this coping is protected with a steel grindplate, BMX pegs can not damage the surface.



GALVANISED STEEL EDGE PROTECTIONS

All inclined outside edges are protected by rounded (5 mm (1/4")) galvanised steel profiles mounted flush with the skate surface.

Offered exclusively by RHINO, this unique edge protection not only protects the surface edges, but also minimizes the effect of an impact on the skaters.



TRANSITION PROTECTION

All the transitions of our ramps are protected with a galvanised steel transition plate, mounted flush with the surface. With no gaps or sharp edges, our transitions skate smoother and safer than our competitors.

ALUMINIUM PROFILES

Used for non-skateable edges, they give the ramps a quality finish.

SEAM PROTECTIONS

All vertical seams in the riding surface are covered with a hot galvanised steel seam protection, mounted flush with the surface. This unique solution creates a smoother riding surface and protects the inside edges of the surface.

HPL GROUND CONTACT STRIPS

The side panels are supported by 6 mm (1/4") HPL strips to allow a good ventilation together with the ventilation holes in the side panels.

STAINLESS STEEL SCREWS

All the screws have a specially designed, double asymetric thread. These screws hold 40 % better than normal screws and won't come loose under mechanical pressure. Anti-vandalism heads prevent disassembling.



The quality of this specially developed riding surface is second to none. It's the dream of every skater combined with a durability comparable to steel.

This surface has a perfect grip on the skate wheels, it's very impact and gouge resistant, it's fire resistant, absorbs no water and it doesn't burn your skin when you slide on the ramps. This surface, together with our unique subconstruction, gives the ramps the professional feeling the skaters are looking for.

Under our riding surface you can find a glassfibre reinforced PP-underlay, to reduce the noise as much as possible.



We have kinked, straight, rectangular and round grindrails in a number of different configurations. The ends of all of our grindrails are curved down to

minimize the effect of an impact.

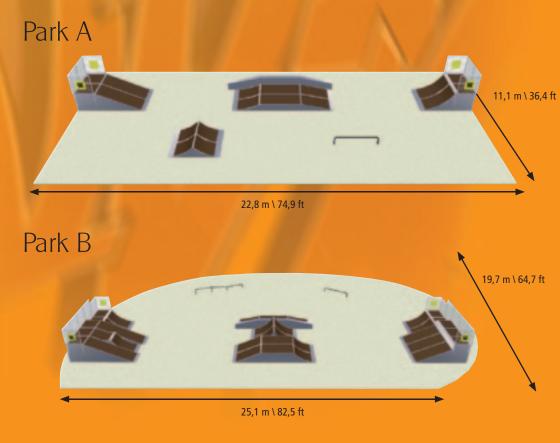




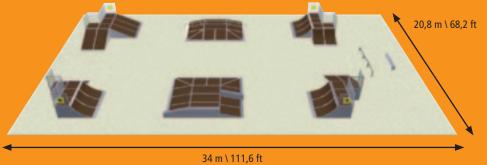


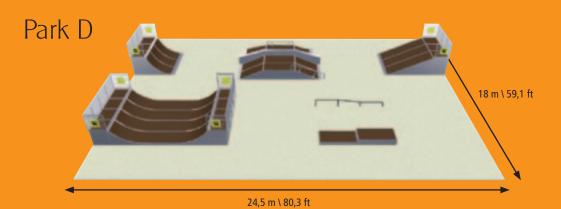
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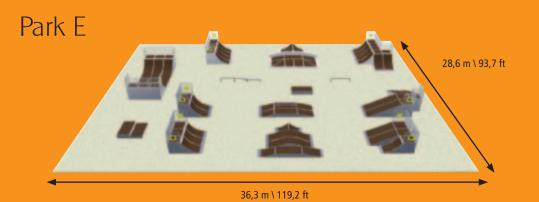
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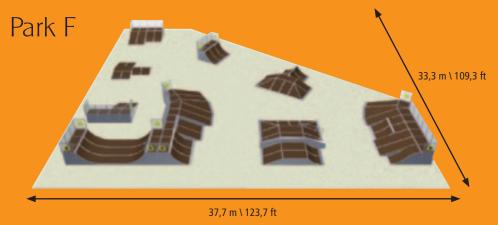


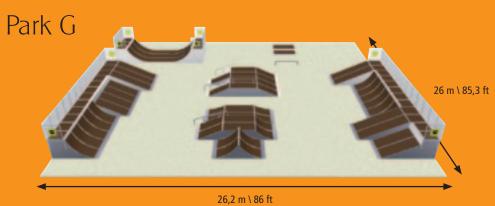
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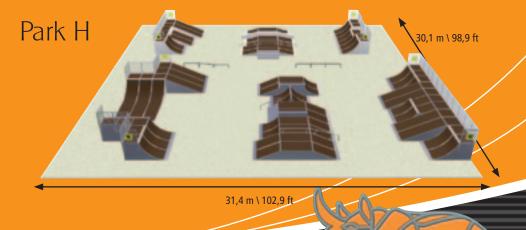














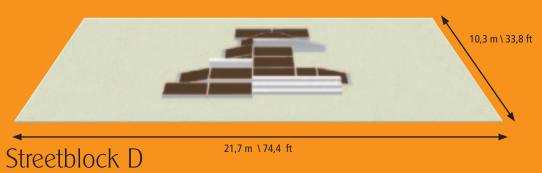


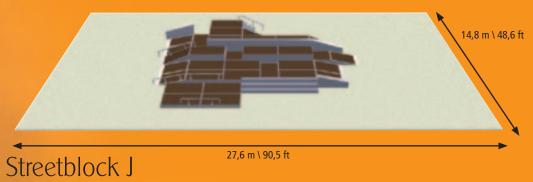
STREETBLOCKS



Streetblock A 24,3 m \ 79,7 ft

11,5 m \ 37,7 ft









INSTALLATIONS











To whom it may concern,

We highly recommend Rhino Ramps.
Rhino is the designer / manufacturer of the original moveable skatepark system.

Designed in Europe, meets European standards, Rhino also has a new surface that is suitable for BMX bikes. We believe their product is superior and they are a very reputable com-

pany to work with.

Peter van Winkel, Saunaco / Rhino Ramps, has been involved with SPAUSA on an advisory level for the past years and Rhino Ramps was recently given a SPAUSA/Concrete Disciples award for 'Innovative Design' for their moveable skatepark system.

Heidi Lemmon SPAUSA Director, USA

This vert ramp Rhino Ramps has built in Ventspils is the most stable modular vert ramp I ever skated on; it doesn't move at all when you ride it! The riding surface gives a very good grip on the wheels, is super fast and has no seams. It could have a little bit more vert for blasting big airs. It is for sure one of the best vert ramps in Europe.

> Top 5 vert skateboarder Bram Waterman (Hol) Dutch skateboardfed & Dutch vert legend

It was great to meet you and be part of the conference last week. The kids LOVED the park and we were grateful for the opportunity to experience a Rhino skate park with them. Very much look forward to staying in touch with you and working with Rhino Ramps in the very near future. Thanks again for a great day.

> Arielle Nakache-Moulav K-MAN Skate School

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