

## PRESSRELEASE OCTOBER 2006



### 07 SOLID

Freeride Soft Kite

Sizes 6.0m<sup>2</sup> and 9.0m<sup>2</sup>

- Entry level to intermediate kite design
- Open foil concept
- Solid stability
- Easy launch and re-launch
- Fast and responsive handling
- One pulley system for direct bar feedback
- Huge and smooth de-power
- Vario Trim
- Fully spliced dyneema lines
- 07 Scepter bar
- Innovative backcountry mountain backpack
- Designed for buggying, land-boarding and snowkiting



Reliable and solid... that's exactly how a newcomer / intermediate kite should be. We didn't choose the name of our youngest baby without a reason. This kite was developed for riders looking for easy and forgiving flying characteristics.

The Solid's enormous inherent stability, large wind range and effective safety and re-launch function lets the rider decide how far he or she wants to push the limit. Additionally, the kite can be conveniently adjusted to suit your personal preferences with the North Vario Trim option.

Pic: ChristophMaderer.com

Rider: DirkHanel



## 07 FABIO

Freeride/Competition Softkite  
sizes 7.0m<sup>2</sup> , 9.5m<sup>2</sup> and 12.0m<sup>2</sup>

- Intermediate to expert kite design
- Open foil concept
- Performance oriented profile and kite design for maximum pop, lift and gliding
- V-tape construction for reduced line force
- Solid stability
- Fast and responsive handling
- One pulley system for direct bar feedback
- Huge windrange with direct depower
- Easy launch and relaunch
- Vario Trim
- Highest quality materials and fully spliced dyneema lines
- 07 Scepter bar
- Innovative backcountry mountain backpack designed for pushing the limits in snowkiting



The 07Fabio represents the second generation of a high-performance snowkite in North's softkite program. Let us make one thing clear right from the beginning...we have developed an entirely new kite.

Never before have we built so many prototypes for the Fabio. The result is truly impressive. The 07Fabio is easier and more intuitive to fly than its predecessor. The kite's response to the bar has been changed substantially and the steering forces are smooth and increase progressively. Even when de-powered there is good bar feedback. Pop and lift have been dramatically improved through the new profile without compromising stability and the de-power abilities are enormous. Whether you are hooked or unhooked the kite turns fast with great precision and balanced, constant pull. Even steep hills can now be climbed with ease. Experts will also appreciate this kite for its Vario Trim option that allows influencing the turning characteristics by simply changing the attachment points of the flying and bridle lines. Unleash the unique freestyle potential of the Fabio.

Pic: Bertrand Boone  
Rider: Fabio Ingresso



#### **Differences 07Fabio and 07Solid**

With the Solid's 16 cells, it is clearly aimed at the beginner/intermediate level compared to the 20 cells of the intermediate/expert Fabio. In terms of profiles and outline, the focus was also placed more on stability than on pure performance. With regards to handling, we designed both kites for an agile and progressive response. Bar feedback is linear when de-powering. Both kites can be individually adjusted with knots at the bar as well as through the de-power system on the kite. This leaves the rider the option of slightly reducing the basic pressure for a more agile handling. For the first time we used coated Dyneema lines for both kites. These spliced, black colored lines have a lower tendency to form loops and clearly reduce aerodynamic drag. The 07Fabio is again produced in an elaborate V-rib design that helps save several meters of line.