

# User Instructions for SunChill Inflatable Hangout

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Thank you for renting the SunChill Inflatable Hangout from Rottnest Rentals! This versatile, durable floating platform is perfect for relaxing on the calm waters around Rottnest Island. It comfortably fits 4-6 adults and is designed for easy setup and pack-up.

These instructions incorporate the manufacturer's guidelines from SunChill ([sunchill.com](http://sunchill.com)) for safe and proper use, along with additional environmental considerations tailored to Rottnest Island's unique ecosystem.

Important: Read all instructions before use. Failure to follow them may result in injury, damage to the product, or environmental harm. This is a rental item—return it clean and undamaged to avoid fees.

## SAFETY PECAUTIONS

Follow these guidelines to ensure a safe experience:

- Capacity: No weight limit, but limit to 4 adults comfortably or 5-6 if closer together. Do not exceed 6 adults to avoid instability.
- Supervision: Children under 12 must be supervised by an adult at all times. Not suitable for non-swimmers without life jackets.
- Health Considerations: Do not use if you have medical conditions affecting balance or swimming ability. Avoid alcohol or drugs while using.
- General Warnings:
  - Keep away from sharp objects, fire, or heat sources (e.g., no campfires or barbecues nearby).
  - Do not jump or cannonball onto the SunChill from heights to prevent seam stress (though manufacturer states it's cannonball-proof under normal use).
  - Inspect for damage before use; report any issues to Rottnest Rentals immediately.

## Setup and Inflation

The SunChill inflates quickly using the provided dual-action manual hand pump. Setup takes about 90 seconds.

- What's Included: SunChill float (fully assembled), dual-action hand pump, porter bag with shoulder strap, packing strap, stainless D-rings (3) for tethering, and automatic pressure relief valve, anchor with chain, rope and carry bag.
- Steps:
  1. Remove the SunChill from the bag and unfold it on a flat, clean surface (avoid sharp rocks or shells on the beach).
  2. Assemble the pump: Screw on handles, twist on the base, and attach the hose to the "INFLATE" side.
  3. Locate the air valve on the SunChill—ensure the red pin is UP (locked position) to prevent air escape.
  4. Attach the hose to the valve and pump until firm (6-7 PSI; the pump gauge will read in the red zone). The pump inflates on both up and down strokes for efficiency.
  5. The built-in pressure relief valve prevents over-inflation—stop when air starts escaping automatically.
  6. Tether to a boat/anchor using D-rings and anchor, chain and rope provided.
- Tips: If using an optional electric pump (not provided), ensure compatibility with the Halkey-Roberts valve. Inflate in a shaded area to avoid heat expansion.

## Usage Guidelines

- Launching: Gently place the inflated SunChill in calm water. Do not drag it over rough surfaces.

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- On the Water:
  - Ideal for calm bays on Rottnest, use in protected areas like Thomson Bay or Geordie Bay.
  - Tether to an anchor or boat to prevent drifting. Anchor must be securely 'set' on the beach prior to use.
- Restrictions:
  - Do not use in rough waves, currents, or open ocean.
  - Wind Restriction (Rottnest-Specific): Do not use in offshore winds exceeding 10 knots to prevent drifting. All use should be suspended when wind speeds exceed 20 knots to prevent drifting, flipping, or loss of control. Check the Bureau of Meteorology app for weather updates before use. High winds can make retrieval difficult and pose risks to users and marine life. If winds pick up, exit the water immediately and deflate.
  - Avoid areas with boat traffic, swimmers, or wildlife (e.g., stay clear of quokka habitats or seal haul-outs).

## Environmental Considerations

Rottnest Island is a Class A Reserve with fragile ecosystems, including seagrass meadows, marine life, and native wildlife. As a renter, you play a role in protecting it:

- No Littering: Secure all items (e.g., drinks, sunscreen) to prevent pollution. Take all rubbish back to shore bins.
- Wildlife Respect: Do not approach or feed quokkas, seals, or birds. Keep a 10m distance from marine animals.
- Habitat Protection: Anchor only in sandy areas to avoid damaging seagrass or coral. Do not use in restricted zones (check RIA maps).
- Wind and Weather: As noted, restrict use in strong winds to avoid uncontrolled drifting, which could lead to beach litter or disturbance to protected areas. If conditions worsen, prioritize safety and environmental care by packing up promptly.

## Deflation and Packing

- Steps:
  1. Remove from water and place on a clean surface.
  2. Push the red valve pin IN to release air quickly (initial rush).
  3. Use the pump's "DEFLATE" side to suck out remaining air if needed.
  4. Fold while air escapes: Fold in HALF, then HALF again, then in THIRDS to form a "pizza slice" shape.
  5. Secure with the packing strap and slide into the porter bag.
- Tips: Deflate fully to fit easily Weighs >10kg packed.

## Maintenance and Return

- Return to Rottnest Rentals: Return by 4:00pm. Inspect for damage; fees apply for tears, excessive dirt, or loss (e.g., \$50 cleaning fee, full replacement cost for unrepairable damage). Report any issues upon return.

## Contact Information

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