Pipistrel: the freedom of flight

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Taurus M First 15m side-by-side two seat self-launching glider

> High performance 50 HP engine Automatic engine retraction

TAURUS

Glide ratio 41:1 5-stage flaperons Double undercarriage, side by side

Side by side for ultimate comfort

Taurus is the World's first side-by-side ultralight powered glider! It offers complete freedom and independence thanks to the retractable engine, double retractable main landing gear, excellent gliding performance, inexpensive maintenance and a well ventilated spacious cockpit. The idea behind the Taurus is to offer an autonomous and affordable gliding solution.



TAURUS M

15m/50 ft wings with winglets, automatic controls hook-up, effective airbrakes and supreme comfort make the Taurus fly like a dream.

Taurus M 15-meter wingspan Taurus Electro 15-meter wingspan

Apis/Bee 15-meter wingspan 13.5-meter New FAI class ready

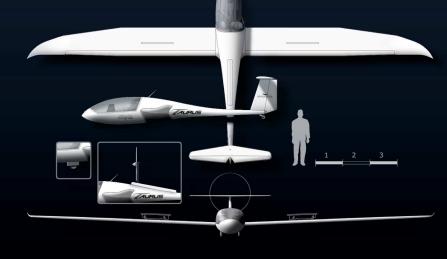
Sinus 912 15-meter wingspan

meter wingspan

Virus 912

Panthera Four seat fast cruiser

Virus SW 80/100



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Taurus M self-launching UL/LSA 2-seat glider

Independence The only two-seat glider with a 15-meter wing-span is also the most independent in wing-span is also the most independent in operation. Equipped with a powerful, yet fully retractable high-performance 50 HP fuel engine and double retractable main undercarriage, the Taurus can go gliding wherever and whenever you want. When others will be waiting for a helper to connect the tow rope and hold the wingtip for take-off, you will already be far away and flying for hours in the Taurus. Worth noting is also the ease of assembling the glider. Taurus is the easiest 2-seat glider to assemble, due to its automatic glider to assemble, due to its automatic control connections and the fact that one wing only weighs 40 kg (90 lbs).

Powerful take-off and climb From take-off to 500 m (1650 ft) she only

Engine

Max power (with 2 carb.) Propeller

Sizes Sizes Wing span Length Height Wing area Aspect ratio Positive flaps Negative flaps

Weights Meights Empty weight Min. pilot weight Max. total pilots weight Max weight (MTOW) Fuel tanks capacity High performance 2-Stroke 50 HP 50 HP at 6600 rpm 2 blade Pipistrel 1600 mm diam

14,97 m 7,27 m 1,41 12,33 m² 18,6 5 deg, 9 deg, 18 deg -5 deg

285 kg 60 kg 220 kg 450 kg/472.5 Kg/550 kg 20 l + 30 l

Performance Stall with flaps Stall without flaps Max. speed with airbrakes extended VNE Manoeuvring speed Min.sink speed Min.sink speed Min.sink Best glideratio Best glide ratio speed Best glide at 150 km/h Best glide at 180 km/h 45° - 45° Roll time Take off run (MTOW) Take off over 15 m (MTOW) Best climb speed Max. climb rate (MTOW) Service ceiling (MTOW) Load factor permitted

Load factor permitted Max. load factor tested Fuel consum. @ full power

63 km/h 71 km/h 225 km/h

225 km/h 163 km/h 94 km/h 0,70 m/sec 41:1 107 km/h 33:1 23:1 3.9 sec 180 m 265 m 100 km/h 2.9 m/sec 3900 m +5.3g -2.65g + 7.2g - 7.2g 18 l/h











needs 3 minutes, 6 minutes to 1000 m (3300 ft) and 10 minutes to 1500 m (5000 ft). Then, reaching target altitude you shut down and retract the engine at a flick of a switch - literally. It may seem unspectacular but Taurus outperforms even single-seat self launching gliders when it comes to take-off and climb!

Intelligent engine control system

The intelligent engine control system will do everything by itself, making sure the propeller has positioned itself correctly and retracting the engine for you, while you concentrate on finding that perfect lift! Built-in safety will even prevent inadvertent start-up or retractions of the engine!

A vroom with the view The cockpit of the Taurus is very long and comfortable. Even the really tall pilots will have no problems fitting inside. Side-by-side seating arrangement makes communication between the pilots perfect uplike between the pilots perfect, unlike conventional tandem two-seaters.



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Full dual controls are reachable to both pilots and the pedals, seats, headrest and ventilation can be adjusted to suit your body size and needs in just seconds, also during flight. A special ergonomically shaped instrument panel houses all the instruments you will ever want without obstructing the excellent view in all directions. There are side pockets for each pilot and a roomy baggage compartment behind the seats with space for an oxygen system as well.

Safety

Safety is our primary concern. This is why Taurus features the Safety Cockpit Concept. The entire cabin area is encased with energy absorbing structures made from Kevlar fibre, an amazing material which maintains the integrity of the cabin and makes it safe also in case of stronger impacts. Together with our special Safety Cockpit Concept the Taurus can also be equipped with the ballistic parachute rescue system, which saves the complete aircraft together with the crew in case of severe emergencies.