One more paddling year with Willy Barents sea Explorer in the arctic have passed. All together I have paddled Willy Barents for two years up here in the arctic Barents sea, without any problems. Still my opinion is that this is an stable, safe, easy to paddle and superb kayak.

Friends and others who have tried it, have told me the same. My friend who is paddling the Willy Barents on the pictures (on the right side) is 196cm and 100kg. He is an experienced paddler, and have been working with kayaks at one of the main kayakdealers in Norway, located in Oslo. After his first time in the Willy Barents, he was impressed; this was a very nice kayak to paddle he said!

During the last year, I have really got my opinions from my last report 1 year ago verified. My appreciation for Willy Barents have become even stronger. I just have to repeat: Willy Barents is fast even against hard wind, waves and tide water. In waves and wind she behaves safe and reliable. Willy Barents have good turning ability. The hull shape and retractable skeg makes both turning ability and tracking stability very good. With wind and waves following from behind Willy Barents is fun to surf with.

Deck rigging, hatch covers and other equipment is still in good condition. Hull and deck is also very good, of course with some scratches as on everything used in rough surroundings.

After 2 years with Willy Barents sea Explorer, I still have to give her my best recomodations. Willy Barents sea Explorer should be a very good choice for any kayaker - from beginner to experienced level.

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