



Hello and welcome to the Korum 2010 Consumer Catalogue – your guide to the very best in modern coarse fishing equipment. In this 58-page guide, you will learn everything you need to know about the latest Korum tackle and how it can benefit your fishing. From new rods and reels, to intelligent luggage systems and terminal tackle, the 2010 Korum range has been taken to new levels to help you improve your fishing.

And whilst the gear has progressed to new levels, so has Korum as the brand designed to help you catch more fish. We wanted to continue this theme with this year's tackle brochure, providing a range of invaluable tactical tips from our experienced consultancy team in articles you won't get to read anywhere else.

On page 20 you can discover everything you need to know about waggler fishing from UK specimen hunter, Duncan Charman, whilst top all-rounder and angling coach Chris Ponsford reveals how you can double your catch rate by trying the Method feeder on page 28.

On page 52 meanwhile, big fish ace Julian Chidgey shows you how to get the best from PVA bags, whilst river expert Ade Kiddell shows you why feeder fishing is one of the greatest ways to bag up on page 42.

We've also got advice from anglers such as Stuart Jupp and Dai Gribble - two of the UK's best all-rounders - along with plenty of useful information on how our products can make you a more efficient angler.

So read on and enjoy. We're sure you'll find the 2010 Korum Consumer Catalogue an enjoyable read.

#### The Korum Team



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Just a few highlights of the many new products in the Korum range for 2010...



#### **XL QUICKSTOPS**

Recognising the popularity of Quickstops, but also recognising their limitations, we've developed stronger, larger versions for 2010 for use with boilies, large pellets and meat.

#### **ITM ROVING BAG**

As you will have come to expect from Korum, we've added some exciting new items of luggage to the ITM range to give you, the angler, an optimum range of choices.



KORUM'S RANGE OF INTELLIGENT TACKLE MANAGEMENT RUCKSACKS AND BAGS ARE WIDELY REGARDED AS MARKET LEADERS IN BOTH QUALITY AND INNOVATION. EACH BAG HAS BEEN DESIGNED TO BE AS FUNCTIONAL AS POSSIBLE, KEEPING YOUR GEAR SECURE AND IMMEDIATELY TO HAND.

To complement the outstanding design, we use only the best possible materials to construct our luggage, ensuring that they are not only highly practical, but will give years of service.

What's more, our Tackle and Rig Manager boxes are designed to fit neatly inside all our luggage, providing you with the tackle you need to become a more efficient and organised angler.



# MAXI RIG MANAGER

Designed to accommodate the doublesided Maxi Rig Board (supplied), and deep enough to hold a huge amount of terminal tackle, including upright spools. 

1 x Maxi Rig Board and Pins Ideal for the carp or specialist angler looking for the perfect rig making and tackle storage box.

Tackle not included

- Deep enough to take spools, PVA dispensers and swimfeeders
- Supplied with a Maxi Rig Board, ideal for longer rigs

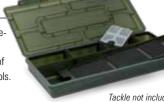
■ 1 x Rig Board and Pins

**MAXI RIG MANAGER** 

- 2 x Magnetic Hook Boxes
- 6 x 4 Compartment Accessory Boxes

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- for longer rigs



Tackle not included

#### **TACKLE MANAGER**

The basis of the ITM system, the Tackle Manager is designed to accommodate all of your terminal tackle, including PVA dispensers, spools and swimfeeders.

- Deep profile, ideal for storing bulky items
- Compatible with all accessory boxes and rig boards
- Removable partitions allow you to customize the layout
- Positive latch closure and stainless steel hinges

Tackle not included

- 2 x Four Compartment Accessory Boxes
- 2 x Spool Cases



## **RIG MANAGER** - FULLY LOADED

The ideal rig making box. Shallow profile designed to hold one Maxi Rig Board or two Rig Boards, and rig-making gear.

- Ideal for small rig accessories
- Compatible with Rig Boards and Maxi Rig Boards





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# standard Rig Managers

## ITM RIG TRACK

The ultimate rig storage solution. Fully adjustable to suit different length rigs. Complete with spare pegs for the unique peg track. A must have item.



Compatible with Maxi and standard Rig Managers

No more losing those essential tools! Magnetic storage device which comes complete with scissors, safety needle, stick needle, stringer needle, gated



Tackle not included

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## ITM BOXES AND ACCESSORIES

# **8 COMPARTMENT BOX**

Keeps your hooks in perfect condition by preventing them rattling around your tackle box. Has a sealed magnetic base that reduces corrosion to the hooks and individual waterproof seal lids.

## **4 COMPARTMENT BOX**

Keeps your hooks in perfect condition by preventing them rattling around your tackle box. Has a sealed magnetic base that reduces corrosion to the hooks and

individual waterproof seal lids.

## **MULTI ACCESSORY BOX**

Ideal for safe storage of small accessory items like baiting needles, shot and leads.

> instantly find what you are looking for. ■ Designed to protect delicate terminal tackle

I.T.M. SOFT BOX

Designed around the same dimensions

rucksacks and bags, they fit perfectly,

keeping all of these difficult to store

to store everything from leads to bite

alarms, as the clear lids mean you can

items safe and totally secure. Use them

as all of our tackle boxes, bait tubs,

2010

- Moveable internal dividers
- Reinforced wall construction
- Extra strong three-sided zip
- Available in small, medium and large



Spool not included

#### **SPOOL BOX**

Moulded plastic box with waterproof seal. Fits most spools up to 10,000 size. Although originally designed for spools this box is ideal for storing leads etc.

#### **MAXI RIG STORE**

For the organised angler, especially those fishing for different species. This plastic box will fit two rig boards or one maxi rig board (included). Total protection for the most important item of your terminal tackle.

## MAXI RIG BOARD

The Maxi (Double) Rig Board allows storage of longer rigs - a feature not associated with normal rig boards. Your hooklength can be wound around the gently curving ends of the board and pinned in place. The Maxi Rig Board is double-sided for extra rig capacity. (Supplied with pins).



Moulded plastic and foam rig board supplied with pins. Takes up to 16 rigs. Up to three of these boards will fit in the Rig Manager. Spare pins also available.

# XL Rucksack Standard Rucksack XL Rucksack

#### **RUCKSACK / XL RUCKSACK**

The original Korum Rucksack was consistently voted best small rucksack by the angling press, and now it is joined for 2010 by the XL version for the angler who needs even more capacity. Designed around our ITM tackle box system, the pocket sizes and locations have been designed to give a logical layout to all your gear, keeping everything to hand. The full strap systems make them incredibly comfortable to carry, even when fully loaded, making the longest of walks a breeze.

- Insulated top bait compartment
- Ergonomic harness with waist belt
- Removable rain cover
- Reinforced zipped base compartment
- Tackle box compatible front pocket
- Two ITM compatible external side pockets
- Dirt resistant EVA base

FREE Korum Rig Manager



LUGGAGE





#### **RUCKBAG / RUCKBAG XL** like a traditional rucksack, but on the

Since its introduction in 2008 the Ruckbag has taken the market by storm as anglers have recognised the significant advantages of this design compared to a traditional rucksack. Lay the ruckbag on the ground and open the main zip and all your tackle comes immediately to hand, no longer will you rooting around for what you need in e bottom of a rucksack! The ergonomically designed harness system means the Ruckbag can be

carried long distances in total comfor

bank the harness sits off the ground, staying clean and easily to hand. With its EVA protective base the Ruckbag can be laid out on the bank protected from mud and dirt, keeping your gear clean and safe. The Ruckbag has also been designed

to be compatible with all Korum chairs, thanks to the clever attachment

system, allowing you to carry your chair on your back for the ultimate in mobility.

- The Ruckbag is probably the most user-friendly rucksack available. Here are some of the specially designed features that make it easy to use.
- Top loading for instant access
- Ergonomic harness with chair attachment system
- Dirt resistant EVA base
- Comfortable straps
- Compatible with all Korum chairs
- Three external ITM compatible zipped pockets
- Two internal ITM compatible zipped pockets and two mesh pockets

#### ITM TACKLE & BAIT BAG

- Padded Carry Handle
   Detachable Padded Shoulder Strap
- Two Padded Zipped Side Pockets
- Reinforced Base/Tackle
- ITM Tackle Box Com

FREE Korum Rig Manager

## **ROVING BAG**

If you are dedicated roving angler, or just looking for the perfect bag to store your bait and terminal tackle, then this is the bag for you. Originally designed to take our barbel fishing kit, it soon became clear that this bag had far more uses. Now we use them for anything from carrying our pike gear when faced with a long walk along a Fen Drain, to floater fishing on Summer gravel pits, and even as a grab and go bag for short sessions on out local pools. Quite possibly our most useful bag yet!

INTELLIGENT

TECKLE

MANAGEMENT

- The perfect size for the roving angler
- 25 litre main compartment plus four external pockets
- Insulated top compartment
- Padded shoulder strap and carry handles
- EVA base
- ITM Compatible









## Catching barbel is very rewarding. Ricky Teale reveals his method of making the most of short evening sessions – using a winning combination of hair rigs and pellets.

Most well know as a match angler, Ricky Teale often finds himself on the banks of the local river Severn after work catching barbel on hair rigs.

"It's so simple to just get a few bits together and go for a short evening session," says Ricky "There's no way I would be able to take my match kit and grab an hours fishing in the evening - setting up would just take too long," he explains.

"This style of fishing allows me to havev a few hours after work," Ricky has also learnt how to get a rapid response. "Hair rigging with S-Pellets is one of the best ways to achieve perfect presentation." he says.

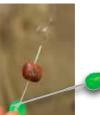
"It's not always about spending a lot of time on the bank" - with this style of fishing it's more to do with being efficient to make the most of your time on the bankside and Korum gear helps me to do this.



1. Ricky uses the high oil Sonu Baits S-Pellets, as they help to incite a rapid response with their added fish attractors.



**4.** Ricky uses Korum pellet stops as the differing sizes enable him to alter baits from singles to doubles without changing his rig - perfect for short sessions.



**2.** To mount on a hair rig carefully push the needle through the bait and



**5.** Slide the suitable sized pellet stop into the hair and slide the pellet back.



3. Slide your bait off the baiting needle, and onto the hair. Open out the hair.



**6.** The finished bait with the pellet stop hidden inside the pellet...ready to fish.

- Adjustable back can be angled for maximum comfort
- Fully padded cover and aluminium frame for comfort
- Independently adjustable legs with full accessory compatibility
- Levelling mud feet and vertical legs give perfect positioning even on steep banks

TWIN-WHEELED TROLLEY

A super-strong twin-wheeled trolley that has been

designed to make shifting your gear as easy as possible.

Fitted with a wide load area and fitted with our own mud-

feet to maximise stability. The extra long handle creates

The Korum Trolley has been designed to incorporate any

of the Korum Accessory Chair range simply by locating

the chair on the rear lugs and locking in place creating

Korum Accessory Chair, our trolley takes the hassle out

Compatible with Korum chairs

Puncture proof wheels

and many seat boxes

Reinforced frame

Adjustable handle

Padded handles

Adjustable height

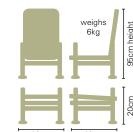
Can be fully dismantled

a larger load area. Whether you use it with or without a

increased leverage making this barrow easier to pull at

the correct balance point for minimum fatigue.

Supplied with free carry strap



## **ACCESSORY CHAIR** ARM KIT

Lightweight additional arms for the Korum Chair Range. Fits all Korum Chairs past and present.

## TROLLEY CHAIR BUNGEE

Two fully adjustable elasticated bungee cords with tough plastic hooks at both ends. Ideal for use with

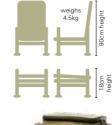


the Korum trolley wheel kit.



Ideal for the mobile angler, the Lightweight chair is approximately 30% lighter than the original Korum chair, yet is still compatible with all Korum chair accessories. The fixed angle back and full width cover give superior comfort and the full aluminium frame incredible strength. When combined with the Korum Ruck Bag you have the perfect carry system for the roving angler who does not want to

- perfect positioning even on steep banks







carrying capacity can be dismantled easily and stored in the back of the car. Where the Korum Barrow really scores though is when combined with the Korum Accessory chair and Ruckbag. Korum chairs fit perfectly on the back of the chassis without the need to fold the legs extending the deck area significantly. The front of the deck has been designed to perfectly fit the Ruckbag, giving access to all the pockets and main compartment without the need to unload your barrow.





"Korum chairs provide a unique fishing platform that enables you to fish more effectively,"

**Chris Ponsford** 



## **BUTT REST** WITH ARM

Designed to hold the rod Designed to hold two butt whether fishing either rods either horizontally horizontally or vertically (due to the moulded lip on the rest). The arm fits directly on the chair.

**BUTT REST** 

or vertically the correct distance from your Accessory chair. Ultra stable design, supplied Complete with locking nut. with twin butt rests.

# **BROLLY ARM**

Perfect for commercial fisheries when fishing on a solid base. The Brolly Arm will also accept a standard bankstick.



#### **POLE CROOK**

Designed to offer hands-free pole fishing on all Korum Accessory chairs. Simply balance the butt off the pole under the crook when catapulting out bait, or leave the pole resting on your knee until you strike.



#### **UNIVERSAL ARM**

Enables threaded accessories to be moved away from the legs and angled. Extremely useful for rod positioning when using the buzzer bars. Complete with locking nut.

#### **SPACER BAR**

Allows the angler to maintain maximum chair leg height whilst still using accessories.

#### **ACCESSORY T-BAR**

Allows two chair accessories to be attached to one chair leg, putting two accessories close to hand. Maximises the potential of your angling station, making your chair more efficient. Used in conjunction with a feeder arm and butt rest it can be used to maximise adjustability.



#### SIDE TRAYS - SMALL AND STANDARD

Attaches to Korum Accessory Chairs to keeping your tackle and bait organized and

- Wipe clean surface
- Standard Dimensions 38cm x 22cm ■ Small Dimensions 34cm x 25cm

close at hand. ■ Fully adjustable angle attachment

# **GROUNDBAIT BOWL AND HOOP**

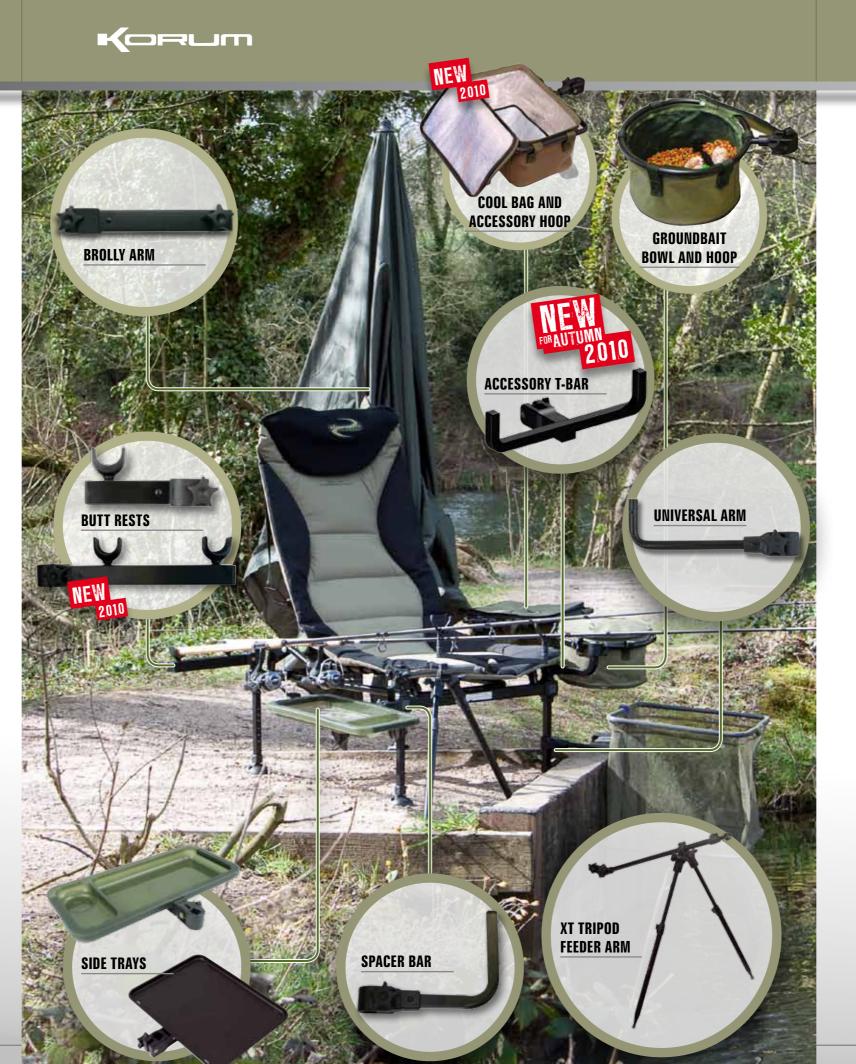
Collapsible nylon ground bait bowl complete with lid, mounted on a frame to attach to any Korum chair.



## **COOL BAG AND ACCESSORY HOOF**

This unique insulated cool bag has been specifically designed for use with all Korum chairs and Korum bait boxes. Ideal for keeping delicate baits in top condition.

- Attaches to all Korum chairs
- Foil insulation with wipe clean lining
- Full zip opening
- Compatible with all Korum bait boxes



## ROD SUPPORT



#### **DOUBLE ROD RIVER TRIPOD**

Made from lightweight aluminium, the Korum Double Rod River Tripod is a must for anglers who fish rivers and need to keep line out of the water. All legs are telescopic and can be independently adjusted to produce a very stable rest set-up. The whole rest unit 

Designed to fit Korum Accessory Chairs folds flat for easy transport.

Comes with twin buzz bars and two Korum Butt Cups 

Complete with locking nut. and Line Flow Rests.

#### XT TRIPOD FEEDER ARM

essential when using two-rod setups. The telescopic tilt and swivel mechanism allows for perfect rod

- It will also fit many seat boxes.

## TELESCOPIC FEEDER ARM

The XT Tripod Feeder Arm provides enhanced stability, 
Essential for feeder fishing on many commercial fisheries where the bank is not bankstick-friendly. The Feeder Arm is telescopic and the tilt/swivel mechanism allows for perfect rod positioning.

- Designed to fit Korum Accessory Chairs but is also compatible with many seat boxes.
- Complete with locking nut.



#### **ANGLE ARM**

Enables accessories to be attached at the perfect position to the Korum Accessory Chairs giving a stable fixing. Use with a keepnet to keep it close to hand, or with an Angle-tilt rest for perfect rod alignment. Full pivot and swivel movement.

- Enables accessories to be positioned perfectly Full swivel and pivot movement
- Locking nut for perfect accessory alignment
- Ideal for use with keepnets
- Available in two sizes: Short and Long



Designed to place tackle in the perfect position in front of the angler, the Front Accessory Bar is perfect for float fishing, when you need everything close to hand. Thanks to the swiveling chair attachment, the Accessory Bar can be positioned at the perfect angle every time, and thanks to the telescopic front leg, it produces a rock-solid set-up. Length 50cm.

"The range of Korum rod rests that fit to the **Accessory Chairs** means I can fish effectively regardless of the venue or species I am targeting. I'd be lost without them,"

Ade Kiddell

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## KORUM LUGGAGE

#### **CHAIR & NET BAG**

Designed to transport chair and nets in an easy to manage bag. Chairs fit sideways increasing ground clearance and making them easier to carry. Front pocket is large enough for landing nets, keepnets and unhooking mats.

- Takes care of awkward chairs, nets and mats
- Three-sided zip for easy loading
- External net and mat pocket
- Padded shoulder strap and carrying handles
- Standard size fits Lightweight Korum chair, Accessory chair and many others



## **EVA POUCHES**

Armoured EVA material is ideal for protecting heavy or delicate tackle, such as leads, feeders, bite alarms and even compact cameras. Three-quarter zip opening and fold-back lid.





One of the most useful items of luggage ever. Ideal **GROUNDBAIT BOWLS** for stalking and floater fishing, when you want all your bait and tackle in one easy to use bag. The wipe clean lining is ideal for storing groundbait, boilies, pots of paste or even deadbaits, whilst the front zip pocket is ideal for tackle.

- Padded detachable shoulder strap and carry handles swims, thanks to the padded carry handles.
- Wipe clean lining
- Front zipped pocket

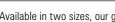
**BAIT AND BITS BAGS** 

- Rear zipped tackle pocket (large version)
- Rubberised base

Standard Bait and Bits Bag







Available in two sizes, our groundbait bowls feature zip tops, so that you can keep your bait fresh and can move easily between

- Large sizes
- Zipped lids to keep bait fresh
- Wipe clean removable lining
- Rubberised base







## ALLROUNDER NET BAG CARRYALL

Large enough to take all of your bait boxes, tackle and Korum chair accessories in the main compartment and with separate side pockets for your keepnet and unhooking mat, this is a seriously useful bag.

- Extra large main compartment for bait and accessories
- Keepnet pocket with volume adjuster strap
- Zipped unhooking mat pocket
- Two external gear pockets
- Reinforced base
- Padded carry strap and handles
- Extra strong zips throughout

# KORUM

## **ROD HOLDALLS**



# TOTAL PROTECTION HOLDALLS

Lightweight rod holdalls have traditionally meant compromising on rod protection; until now. The Total Protection range gives full security for your prized rods and reels in the minimum of space, thanks to their hardwall construction, with outer pockets to carry landing net, umbrella, and banksticks.

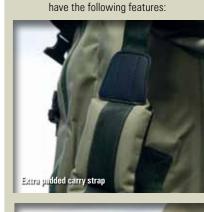
A truly revolutionary design that epitomizes the no-compromise thinking behind the Korum range. For the angler looking to trim as much weight as possible the Compact 2-rod Total Protection holdall really fits the bill, giving maximum protection for minimum size

- Complete rod protection, thanks to the hardwall contruction
- Individual zipped rod compartments
- Designed to take most Big Pit reels ■ Large external shelter / umbrella pocket
- Zipped bankstick / pod pocket
- Reinforced armoured EVA base
- Padded carry handle for maximum comfort

#### TOTAL PROTECTION 2-ROD QUIVER

The innovative design of the Total Protection Quiver is not a traditional quiver, but fulfils the criteria of an ultra compact carrying system. Unlike normal guivers this offers unrivalled levels of protection. Utilising our 'Hardwall' construction, to provide a stiffened protected main rod sleeve and extra reel protection, the top loading design minimises the chance of line damage. A quiver system where you can walk past bushes etc with no fear of damaging rod, reel or line.

- Stiffened protected main rod sleeve, fully divided for two rods
- Hardwall construction
- Stiffened and padded protection for reels
- Designed to provide perfect carrying balance
- Separate zipped pockets for bankstick/landing net carrying
- Reinforced pockets and EVA base
- Top loading umbrella pouch



Korum Total Protection rod holdalls





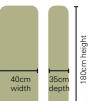


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2-Rod Holdall 160cm

ROD HOLDALLS







#### **INSIDER 2-ROD HOLDALL**

The new Insider holdalls are a significant improvement on the traditional holdall. On the inside two rods can be carried ready-rigged in their own fully-padded compartments, along with up to three further rods with or without tubes, or a pole. On the outside you can attach a two further rods if required, giving a total capacity of up to seven rods! Cavernous outer pockets Padded protection to keep rods safe take our largest umbrellas, landing nets and banksticks ■ Internal quiver tip pocket

**ALLROUNDER HOLDALL** 

Carries up to five rods

banksticks / pod

Designed for the huge number of anglers who do

not carry their rods made up, but who are looking for

the protection of a padded holdall without the bulk.

Carrying up to five rods, the Allrounder holdall will

■ External pockets for umbrella / landing net and

Adjustable padded shoulder strap and carry handle

carry a huge amount of gear in full security.

The angler with a smaller car will really appreciate the 160cm Insider Holdall. Designed for three-piece rods, but will still take two-piece rods on the outside, giving the best of both worlds.

- Designed to carry two made-up rods and three spares
- External attachment for two rod sleeves (not
- Fully padded rod and reel protection
- Full perimeter extra strong zip
- External umbrella pocket
- External bankstick pocket
- Internal quivertip / landing net handle pocket
- Volume adjuster straps
- Padded carry strap and handles



#### TIP/BUTT PROTECTOR

- Shaped protectors for rod butts and tips
- Provides protection for delicate rod tips
- Neoprene and nylon construction with draw-string closure

The new Korum Insider rod holdalls have the following great features:











"I rate the Korum auivers as the strongest lightweight rod transport systems on the market and use them for 100% of my fishing in the UK,"

## **Stuart Jupp**







#### 2-ROD QUIVER

The ultimate in ultra light luggage for the mobile angler. Designed to carry two rods, along with a shelter, landing net and banksticks. Ideal for the river specialist, or the angler looking to keep on the move.

- Designed for the mobile angler
- Takes two rods
- Large main compartment for umbrella or shelter with draw-string closure
- Separate external pockets for landing net and
- Adjustable deluxe padded carry strap and handle
- Armoured reinforced base

#### **5-ROD QUIVER**

Built using the same philosophy as the 2-Rod Quiver, but with added capacity to take up to five rods and larger overnight shelters. Ideal for the carp or specialist angler who wants to go fully equipped!

- Five rod capacity
- Large main shelter pocket with drawstring closure
- Ambidextrous, adjustable shoulder strap and handle with deluxe padding
- Zipped mesh quick-dry landing net pocket
- External pod and bankstick pockets

#### **ROD AND LEAD BANDS**

- Designed to keep rod sections together in transit
- Neoprene construction with Velcro closure
- Two per pack



provides significantly improved protection compared to carrying 'bare' rods. Our unique strap system ensures that the sleeves lock securely to your quiver or holdall with the minimum of movement.

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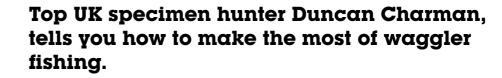


## **WAGGLER FISHING**

NAME: Duncan Charman

**BACKGROUND:** Duncan Charman is a renowned big fish angler with numerous monster fish to his name. Regardless of the species or angling technique, Duncan is a truly versatile fisherman. A true all-rounder, who is a regular face in all good coarse fishing magazines.

TOP TIP: Duncan is a firm believer in remaining mobile when fishing, so try to trim your gear down as much as possible so you can fish more swims every time you go. This approach has helped Duncan catch numerous big fish over the years, and he puts a lot of faith in this mentality.



I have a passion for float fishing. It started when I was in my teens as an eager match angler trying to perfect a skill in order to keep up with the ever-increasing effectiveness of the feeder. In those early days, when competitiveness was at its height, I needed every edge available and although the Stillwater Blue and Onion floats that were commonly used were good, it was the introduction of loaded crystal wagglers that changed my fishing totally.

The bream shoals that were located further out became accessible with these floats, and the need to become a good feeder angler never materialised.

The two most important factors when it comes to fishing the waggler is balancing your tackle and regulating your feed. Patience is also needed, however this comes with experience as a seemingly dead swim slowly comes to life and by the end of the day your arm aches from non-stop action!

#### **Comfort is Key**

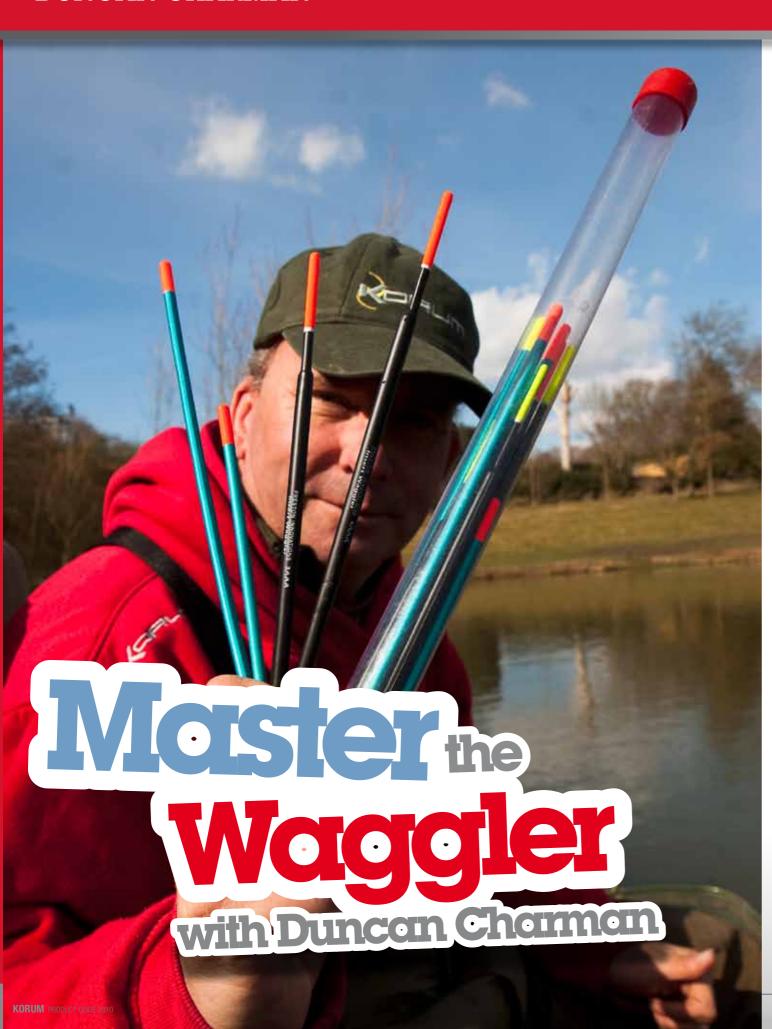
Let's start with the basics. Being comfortable and keeping items of kit and bait to hand is the key to fishing effectively with the waggler, and the use of a Korum Accessory Chair is the ideal base to fish from. The legs are designed to allow easy fitting of a selection of accessories such as side trays, which will keep your bait and tackle organised. I also attach a Korum Telescopic Feeder Arm and Butt Rest, so that I can easily place my rod down whilst feeding. I rarely use a keepnet, but if allowed I can easily attach my 3m Korum Keepnet to the chair using a variety of arms designed to make my fishing easy. And if it rains, where there's even a Brolly Arm to allow an umbrella to be attached.

All my accessories are kept within a Korum Maxi Rig Manager that fits perfectly into my Ruckbag, which also carries everything else needed including my chair when moving swims.

Having organised my position, it's then time to setup my 13ft Korum Precision Power Float rod. This rod is perfect for waggler fishing with specimen tench and roach in mind, as it has a progressive action and is extremely thin, which allows for effortless casting as well as leaving enough in reserve to easily tame any bonus carp.

To the rod I attach a Korum KXi Freespin 50 Reel loaded with 4lb mainline. Good line lay on the reel is paramount when it comes to casting, and with a silky smooth clutch allowing for complete control when playing a fish, this reel is perfect.

With silver fish in mind and not having to cast as far as I would normally need for tench, I'll usually start with a Preston Innovations Inserted Peacock Waggler – great for fishing on the drop and delicate enough to show my dropper shot registering as they fall



PRESTON INNOVATIONS SAAA



through the water column searching out every inch of my swim.

The waggler is locked in position with the bulk of the shot. I then tie on a hooklink made from a lesser breaking strain than that of the mainline. My first choice is Preston Innovations' Powerline and today I've decided to use a strain of 3lb 6oz. The hooklength is 12ins and to this a size 18 Korum S4 is attached.

#### Search the Swim

The depth of your swim needs to be found and the best way to do this is to attach a large shot directly onto your hook before adding the dropper shot. Cast out and you will be able to watch as this large shot either sinks the float or leaves the float cocked by the bulk shot. Using a than the other. It's important

large shot on the hook not only allows precision accuracy when plumbing the depth, but it also doesn't disturb the swim like a bigger plummet will do.

Having my base station set and with the rod set up, all that is left to do is arrange my other items of kit such as landing net, unhooking mat as well as picking up one of the most important items of kit - a catapult.

Waggler fishing needs

discipline and patience when it comes to feeding, as in most cases it will take time to get the fish intercepting your bait as it drops through the water. One of the best combinations for catching specimen roach is hemp and casters, however when introducing these don't place both into a catapult and fire out, as one will fly further

that you feed sparingly and on a regular basis and if you are on a small commercial water, then it will help if you have the wind coming from behind.

A good starting point for me is placing 10 casters into the catapult and sending them out around five-rod lengths, followed by a few grains of hemp. Next, I cast the waggler into position, sink my line and watch as the droppers register on the float.

Once the bait hits the bottom, the float cocks correctly. If for any reason the float acts strangely, then strike, as it's almost certainly a fish taking on

It will only takes a matter of seconds for the bait to hit the bottom and once reached I will send out some more casters and hemp before retrieving the



float, checking the bait, feeding again and casting.

#### Patience is a Virtue

Never get impatient and decide to catapult lots of bait out at one time then sit and expect the float to disappear. This method isn't for the lazy, but is designed to keep a constant flow of bait through the depths of your swim, attracting fish from all around and eventually tempting them into feeding.

It may only take a few casts before the float slides out of view as a fish intercepts the bait on the drop. It's often that the first fish to start feeding are the smaller ones but just getting these to feed will attract larger fish and the hemp and casters that have found their way to the bottom will later in the day

reward me with hopefully a bonus carp or two.

Every angler feeds differently, but I always feed first and then cast, as the other way round will see my bait falling on its own followed by my feed. In theory, what you are trying to do is mimic the loose feed, making it act as closely to the real thing as possible and for it to fall enticingly within your free offerings.

I consider fishing the waggler an art, however it's so simple and devastatingly effective at any time of the year for a variety of species that I'm surprised more people don't use it.

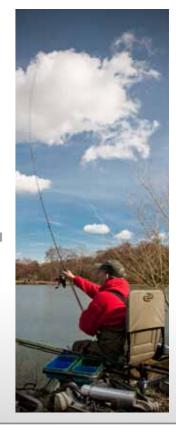
What's more, you can even have a 2.75lb carp rod out on separate banksticks with a bite alarm, to alert you to more bonus carp that may be present in the venue.

If you're going to give the

waggler method a go, then follow my steps carefully, make sure you plumb the depth correctly and keep casting and feeding. Eventually, the float will begin to disappear and the fish will come to your net.

Remember, the more you work your swim, the more you will catch, and when you return home after a day's bagging up, you'll feel that all important element of achievement and satisfaction that comes with every Red Letter Day.

"Eventually, the float will disappear and the fish will come to your net."



KORUM PRODUCT GUIDE 2010 PRODUCT GUIDE 2010 KORUM The multi-mat can be used to transport gear

- Raised fish retaining sides
- Mesh easy drain panels Clip closure
- Padded shoulder strap
- Reinforced carry / weigh handles External Dimensions: L85cm x W40cm x D18cm Large 85cm x 40cm unhooking mat



#### **CARP SACK**

Suitable for carp and other large bodied fish, these sacks have been designed to minimize fish-handling, as they incorporate a full zip closure and weighing handles.

- Scalloped fish-friendly shape
- Micro-porous quick-dry mesh
- Hi-viz floating cord
- Extra strong zip
- Escape proof zip clip
- Carry/weigh handles

#### **WEIGH SLINGS**

A design classic, the Korum sling holds fish centrally, giving full support whatever the size. The fish-friendly, wipe clean lining does not remove protective slime, ensuring fish welfare. Extra strong carry/weigh handles are flag stitched for maximum strength.

- Smooth fish-friendly lining
- Extra strong 600D outer material
- Extra strong carry handles
- Supplied in Velcro carry bag
- Large size 85cm x 50cm, XL Size 108cm x 64cm Pegging points to keep mat in place

# **UNHOOKING MATS**

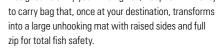
These essential items of tackle for the modern angler have been designed to offer maximum fish protection. Constructed using a closed cell high-density foam that stops stones and sticks from poking through and into the fish, these mats roll up to a small size without being too bulky.

- Closed cell high density foam for maximum fish protection
- Fish retaining head cover to keep fish calm
- Kneeling pad for extra comfort



"Fish care is now an essential part of coarse fishing. I always carry an unhooking mat and use it for all captures,"

Duncan Charman



- Raised fish retaining sides
- Heavy duty zip
- Pegging points
- Padded shoulder strap Reinforced carry handles
- External Dimensions: L90cm X W55cm Large 90cm X 55cm unhooking mat







#### DAY SESSION SHELTER II

With more coverage and stability than an umbrella, the Day Session Shelter provides a lightweight and easy to transport alternative. Extremely light and easy to set up, the Day Session Shelter is large enough to accommodate two anglers in comfort, or even for the occasional over-nighter for one, simply by releasing the tension strap to increase the internal width enough for a bedchair.

- Light weight aluminium elasticated frame
- Waterproof cover with heat taped seams
- Front elasticated storm flap to increase protection from driving rain
- Rain gutter prevents water dripping off the front of the shelter
- Metal pegging points
- Supplied with tension strap and adjustable
- Packs into supplied stuff bag
- Supplied with heavy duty pegs



# Unsure which shelter best suits your fishing? Read on for Team Korum's tips on making the right choice...

Choosing the right shelter for your fishing can make a huge difference to how efficiently you're able to pursue your quarry. If you're chasing really big fish on a large, open water you may need more stability and coverage than if you're fishing smaller commercial venues with lots of cover. In either circumstance, you also need to carry your chosen shelter around with you, which can often be the deciding choice.

Here at Korum, we've worked hard to develop a range of angling shelters to cover a multitude of fishing situations. Take the innovative Day Session Shelter. This extremely lightweight shelter utilises a pramhood-style system that makes it very easy and quick to setup. Many anglers prefer this style of shelter for longer sessions, or on very windy days where a standard brolly system can suffer from buffering.

Korum also produce three styles of umbrella, to suit different angler's requirements. From a standard 50" umbrella to a new fibreglass version that is much lighter and offers slightly more coverage. Then, of course, there is the Stormshield Umbrella, which has in-built wings to provide improved coverage from the elements. So don't get caught out by the weather this year, get a Korum shelter and make fishing easy.









STORMSHIELD UMBRELLA

KORUM

Providing considerably more protection than a conventional umbrella, with an up-rated frame and the same high-strength cover material as the Day Session Shelter, the Stormshield Umbrella is ideal for the angler looking for an umbrella that will suit them all year around. With the built-in side wings, which can be clipped out of the way when not required, the Stormshield Umbrella gives considerably greater side protection from wind and rain than a conventional umbrella, keeping angler and tackle out of the elements.

- Upgraded heavy-duty frame
- Waterproof extra strong cover material
- Nubrolli
- Supplied with swivel storm caps and storm rods
- Elasticated, twin position pegging points
- Supplied with heavy duty pegs



Stuart Jupp

#### 50" UMBRELLA

- 50 inch Nubrolli style umbrella
- Rear pegging points and supplied



## FIBREGLASS 50" **UMBRELLA**

- Extra strong 210D Oxford nylon
- Metal pegging points

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## CHRIS PONSFORD



# METHOD IN THE MADNESS



NAME: Chris Ponsford

**BACKGROUND:** Chris Ponsford is one of coarse fishing's biggest personalities. He always fishes with a spring in his step and loves targeting all manner of different species. Considered a real river fishing expert, Chris is also an accomplished angling quide.

TOP TIP: Chris firmly believes that researching a venue is of utmost importance before you go fishing. Try and find out where the hot swims are, and ask loads of questions about which baits are most effective. That way, you'll know exactly how to target the water to catch plenty of good fish.

## Are you making the most of the Method feeder? Chris Ponsford is, and he believes you too can enjoy big bags of fish using this superb summer tactic.

I've often believed that the best way to fish is with a smile on your face, and whilst it isn't always just about catching, it doesn't half help you enjoy the trip! For me, the most enjoyable style of fishing is watching a quivertip, especially when there's the potential of a really big fish sending it sweeping around. Whether it's barbel fishing on the river, waiting for a clonking great bream or hoping to bag a few carp, you cannot beat waiting for the rod to fly around into battle mode.

And one of my favourite ways to really enjoy this type of fishing is with a Method feeder. Now this style is very different to standard feeder fishing, as the bait you use is more bespoke and so is the tackle. Especially if, like me, you like to do a spot of carping on the Method!

This tactic works up and down the country week after week on commercial venues and is simply too good to ignore In this feature, I'd like to explain the type of things you need for this fishing, and how best to fish it to get the results you're after.

### Beefing Up

In my opinion, you need a bit of backbone in the rod you choose for Method feeder fishing. Not only does it involve regular casting of quite a heavy payload, but you also need to be able to tame any 20lb carp that might be lurking around, without being too over-gunned for the smaller single figure fish or the odd bream. For me, the perfect rod for this is the 1.5lb Korum Multi-Feeder rod in the Precision range. If going for bigger fish, I'll use the 2lb Specimen rods on bite alarms, or the Twin Tip Neoterics with the 2.2lb top. The Neoterics are particular good when fishing at longer range, or when it's windy and you need to punch out heavier feeders.

Your line needs to be around the 8lb mark, and your hooklink around the same. I will often use the Korum reay-tied hair rigs which have a size 10 hook and 10lb line - the short 4ins version are perfect for this type of fishing and a full packet should see you through a good day's fishing.

Then, of course, you need some good Method feeders. The Korum ones are excellent, but those available with Method moulds are also very useful. I prefer the flatbed type, as you can place your hookbait in the feed itself, and know it will always be presented at the top of the feed.

It's also important to have a good fishing station when fishing the quiver tip.
A Telescopic Feeder Arm branching from one of the Korum Accessory Chairs is a good starting point, as is a sidetray, but always remember to keep everything nearby so you don't need to move around unnecessarily.

Another important item of tackle is an unhooking mat, for unhooking bigger carp. I use the new Mat Bag, as I can store my weigh sling and scales inside. You'll also need a good sized specimen landing net for those big fish!

## **Bait Preparation**

There are a number of commercially available Method mixes, and I choose those in the Sonubaits range. These groundbaits stick to the feeder brilliantly, and are perfect for this approach. Another favourite of mine are softened 2mm pellets. These will stick to the feeder really well and with something like an 8mm boilie of grain of sweetcorn on the hair will work all day at just about every venue.

Always mix your bait well in a bowl or groundbait bucket using lakewater, as this makes it more acceptable to the often very fussy carp! Add water a little at a time to get the required consistency. Remember, you can put it in but you can't take it out!

I also take a selection of hookbait with me for Method feeder fishing, as carp will usually have some type of preference. Pellets are a good starting point, but mini boilies also work brilliantly.



"For me, the perfect rod for this is the 1.5lb Korum Multi-Feeder rod"

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"Throughout the session, keep your eyes fixed on the rod tip for line bites and signs of fish bumping into the feeder."

## **◀** Keep Them Coming

The best tactic when
Method fishing is to recast on
a regular basis and build up an
area of bait. Pick a marker on
the far bank as somewhere to
keep casting too, and try to fish
the same distance out on each
cast. Using a line clip can help
with this, especially if you're
fishing close to an island.

Throughout the session, keep your eyes fixed on the tip for line bites and signs of fish bumping into the feeder. Sometimes if the carp aren't swimming around, you'll be getting indications from tench, bream or even F1s. In these situations, switch over to a smaller hookbait, or a couple of maggots, and you'll continue catching fish whatever the species.

So there you have it. A really simple, easy guide to Method feeder fishing.

Give it a try and I'm sure you'll bag up with plenty of really big fish.



# Loading a Method Feeder



Chris likes to use Quickstop Hair Rigs in conjunction with Korum Method Feeders for most of his Method fishing. "It's just so much quicker and easier using ready-tied rigs," he says.



Treate a double tiered feeder by taking the hooklink and bait and using more of the bait mixture to disguise the rig within the existing moulded pellets. It's a great tip that helps get more bites.



1. Chris prefers moistened pellets for the Method, mixed with a small amount of groundbait. He has soaked 2mm pellets for two minutes to get the perfect consistency.



**4.** Give it a good old squeeze to make sure all of the bait is compact against the feeder. This will stop any bait dropping off the feeder on the cast, helping you be more accurate.



2. Start by placing the Method feeder into the pellets, and give it a squeeze against the palm of your hand. The lead will ensure the feeder always lands the right way up.



**5.** The finished Method feeder. You can see the hookbait slightly hidden by the pellets, but once the bait starts to break down, it will be revealed and taken readily by carp.

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#### **QUICK RELEASE CAM**

- Instantly remove threaded accessories
- Extra strong lever-lock design with locating groove
- Long-life metal threads
- Ideal for rod rest heads, bite alarms, keepnets and storm poles

#### **V REST**

Simple classic design supplied in pairs. Provides excellent stability and line flow when used in conjunction with free spool reels. Complete with locking nuts. **TILT REST** 

Simple design combined with our exclusive tilt mechanism make this the perfect rest to use with the Korum feeder arms. The deep V allows use with free spool reels whilst preventing the rod from being pulled out of the rest. Complete with locking nut.

#### Y REST

A wider and deeper version of our popular V rest for easier rod location in low light conditions. Prevents rods blowing out due to wind or the rod being pulled from the rest on the bite. The deep line drop allows the use of free spool systems. Complete with locking nuts.

# ANGLE TILT WEATHERBEATER REST

Featuring a narrow rod groove to stop the rod being blown out, combined with a deep line groove to enable the use of free spool systems and our exclusive angle tilt mechanism.



#### **BUTT REST**

Now available separately for use with multi rod set-ups or for use with banksticks. Complete with locking nut.

ANGLE TILT

## SIDESTRIKE REST

Perfect for use when quivertipping, also features our exclusive angle tilt mechanism and a deep line groove.

CORK HANDLE BUTT REST

Adjustable tension suitable for cork handles and large diameter abbreviated rod butts. Supplied in pairs. **REAR U REST** 

Supplied in pairs. High grip design is adjustable for use with cork or abbreviated handles. Essential where violent takes are expected. Complete with locking nuts.

#### **LINE FLOW REST**

Steep-sided to hold rods against the wind, with a deep line groove so free spool mechanisms can still be used. **BUTT CUP** 

Ideal for fishing with rods held high to keep line off the water.

#### SIDESTRIKE REST

Ideal when quivertipping and a sideways sweep is required.

## LOCKING NUT

The simple solution to tightening rod rests and buzzer bars in the correct position.

# SCREW POINT BANKSTICKS

Oversized auger points that effortlessly cut into even the hardest bank.
Oversized cam for strength. Made from high grade aluminium for maximum strength to weight.

#### **BANKSTICKS**

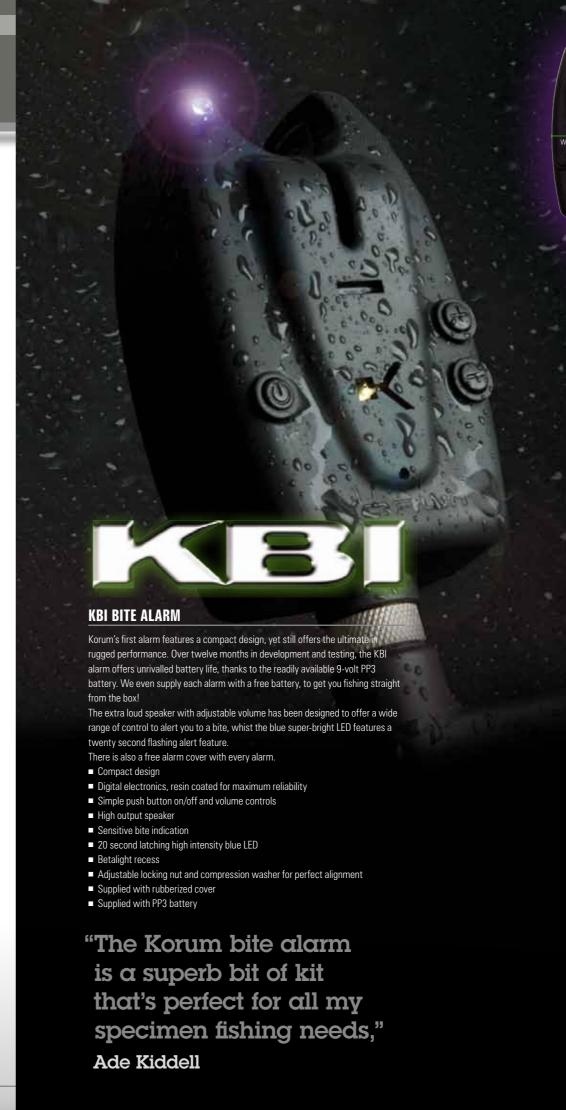
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#### **XT BANKSTICKS**

All of the models are telescopic and finished in matt black to a high standard The shaped points make driving into hard ground easy.



# Features the Fix Angle locking device enabling the bar to be set and secured at precisely the angle required. Complete with locking nut. Available in standard and extra large.



**KEY FEATURES** 

The KBI Alarm is ready to

go straight from the box,

thanks to these features.

Supplied with a full size PP3 battery

# KORUM RODS

## Precision Multi Feeder 12'

At Korum we believe that building rods should be done with the utmost care and attention to detail. Throughout the last 12 months, we worked hard to develop what we believe is currently the most comprehensive range of rods for the modern coarse fisherman



# Precision



#### COMPACT FLOAT

This 11ft two-piece float rod is an absolute joy to use, weighing just 6 ounces and feeling even lighter thanks to the perfect balance, it can be held all day without becoming cumbersome. By using a combination of high-grade low-resin carbons we have produced a rod with a lightning fast action, making bites much easier to hit, yet which retains an action that bends right through the blank, eliminating hook-pulls. Designed for ultra-accurate casting at short to medium range, this is the ideal rod for fishing tight to islands with a small waggler for carp, fishing a dumpy waggler up in the water for roach, or trotting a stick float for fast biting dace.



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Braid friendly SiC rings througho

#### **MULTI-FEEDER**

Specifically developed to cover the majority of feeder and ledgering on stillwaters and smaller rivers, the two-tips of the Multi-Feeder give a multitude of options, fit the Quiver tip for maximum bite detection when feeder fishing, switching to the 1.5lb hollow tip when using bigger feeders and leads in conjunction with a bite alarm.

The action of the Multi-feeder is quite distinct from that found on our Specialist rods. The Multi-Feeder is best described as having a semi-fast action, with reserves of power in the butt and forgiving tips. This combination gives fantastic casting performance, yet allows the use of light hook lengths and small hooks, ideal for finicky carp and bream.

Over recent seasons anglers have increasingly used Multi-feeder rods fitted with the 1.5lb tip for Bagging Waggler, Floating Method Feeder and Surface fishing for carp. The stiff action in the butt gives great casting accuracy, whilst the soft, forgiving tip absorbs the lunges of carp hooked close to the surface.

See page 28 to find out why The Korum Mulitfeeder 12' is Chris Ponsford's choice rod when it comes to

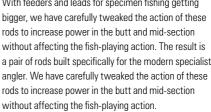


## Dai Gribble



come with a 3 year rod guarantee

# SPECIALIST 1.75LB AND 2LB With feeders and leads for specimen fishing getting



Pick one up and you will notice the 'Steely' action and fast recovery that has been achieved without affecting the perfect balance and weight.

Precision Specialist 12' 1.75lb



#### **SPECIALIST 2.75LB**

The 2.7lb Specialist provides a controlled build-up of power, making long casting easier, particularly with bulky loads, such as method feeders and dead baits. Not only do they make a great carp rod, they're also perfect for pike fishing and floodwater barbel sessions.



Fuji reel seats, and best quality cork.

Hi visibility tip on the Multi-Feeder.

# NEW 2010 **BIG FISH FLOAT**

Designed to handle double figure carp, barbel and big tench close to weed, the Big Fish Float is our most powerful float rod ever, yet retains the fantastic fishplaying action and balance of its lighter counterparts. This rod took us longer to perfect than any other in the range, simply because we were not willing to compromise on the balance and feel of the rod just to obtain the right action.

Despite the massive reserves of power that this rod has, it handles superbly and can be held all day when All Precision rods feature:

- Fully balanced weight distribution to minimize
- Superdur Ultra-durable matt black anti-flash
- · Black supergrade whipping thread with two-pack varnish coat
- . Titanium finish Fuii reel seat
- Optimal length ergonomic 'A' grade cork handles

#### **POWER FLOAT**

At 13ft with a progressive action, this four-piece rod is perfect for the All-rounder. Ideal for all species, it's a float rod that you can take anywhere and use for almost anything.

The four-piece construction meaning it can be hidden easily in the boot, or simply split into two and left tackled up.





Dai Gribble is currently one of the UK's top all-round anglers.

"Designed for the modern angler looking for the ultimate in performance when faced with today's larger specimens, the Neoteric range has won numerous plaudits since its launch. Each rod has been developed by the Korum design team and then strenuously tested to give optimum performance and fantastic styling."

#### Dai Gribble

#### **NEOTERIC TWIN TIP**

Supplied with two tips that blend perfectly into the butt, the 1.75lb tip is ideal when targeting barbel, tench and bream on the feeder, whilst the 2.2lb tip is best for big rivers and reservoirs, when casting larger leads and feeders for barbel, carp and big bream.



Braid friendly tip rings.



SiC rings throughout.



Gunmetal reel seats.



Foldable keeper rings.

#### **NEOTERIC QUIVER**

A really versatile rod that thanks to its forgiving action will handle the light lines and small hooks often associated with Winter chub and roach, right through to big barbel.

With the 1.75lb hollow tip fitted this rod will handle big chub and barbel in small to medium sized rivers, and is also great for feeder fishing in stillwaters for tench and bream.



#### KXi FREESPIN REEL

Tough, rugged and reliable are what the KXi Freespin Reels are all about. Built around hardened machine cut main gears that have been CAD designed to give positive engagement, even when under maximum load, you only need to turn the handle to feel the engineering quality of this reel.

Tighten the multi-disk front drag that is fitted with specially sourced lowfriction disks and feel how smooth the even line can be taken from the spool; back-winding is well and truly a thing of the past! Engage the micro-adjustable rear freespin drag and line can be taken smoothly by running fish, keeping constant pressure reducing hook pulls. The KXi reels have been designed to handle all forms of modern coarse fishing, from large carp and pike with 10-15lb line, through barbel and tench fishing with 6-10lb line, to method feeder fishing and all forms of ledgering. Available in two sizes KXi 50 & KXi 60.

A major breakthrough in reel design. The KXi reel is the result of almost two years of research and development by the Korum team, working from the ground up to develop a freespin reel designed specifically for the modern coarse angler

















"A strong,

reliable line,"

BREAKING

Ade Kiddell





#### KORUM REEL LINE

Korum Reel Line is the perfect line for the modern angler. Its high abrasion resistance and superb knot strength makes it totally reliable in tough situations and when catching lots of hard-fighting fish.

The pale green colour blends in well with all backgrounds and the controlled stretch acts as an additional 'buffer' when playing fish close to the net. The neutral density means that Korum Reel Line is suitable for both feeder and float fishing.

Available in 150m spools.

0.18mm

DIAMETER

 0.18mm
 1.4kg/3lb

 0.20mm
 1.8kg/4lb

 0.23mm
 2.3kg/5lb

 0.25mm
 2.7kg/6lb

 0.28mm
 3.6kg/8lb

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# **NETS AND SPOOMS**

#### SPECIMEN SPOON

Featuring super-soft mesh with large holes that is easy to handle even in a strong flow, the Spoon nets are ideal for use in both rivers and stillwaters. Choose the 27" Specimen Spoon for over-sized carp up to 25lb and specimen barbel and the slightly smaller 24" Midi Spoon for regular carp, tench, chub and bream.

- Extra strong machined metal spreader block
- Anodised aluminium frame for extra strength
- Deep mesh, ideal for reviving tired fish after a long fight
- Super-soft, wide mesh, ideal for both rivers and lakes
- Flat base cradles fish correctly







#### **LATEX BARBEL SPOON**

Designed for over-sized barbel and carp to 30lb, the Latex spoons are designed to be the ultimate in net design. Offering the equivalent size as a 36" triangular net, the 30" net is ideal for the angler stalking large carp, or lure fishing for pike. The latex mesh used on both nets is highly hook resistant, making these nets ideal for pike fishing. The super-strong aluminium spreader block and frame can be pushed through thick weed, making it ideal for stalking.

- Fish-friendly latex mesh
- Deep mesh, ideal for reviving tired fish after a long fight
- Heavy duty frame and spreader block, ideal for stalking

#### **LANDING NET HANDLES**

A comprehensive selection of landing net poles, designed to perfectly complement our landing nets, giving the ultimate combination of strength, balance and stiffness.

- Powerstick handle is ideal for use with longer rods, or when you need extra reach
- Carbon Power is a lightweight, yet incredibly strong one-piece design
- Carbon Specimen is slightly heavier, but stiffer than the Carbon Power, making it ideal for bigger nets and larger specimens

## Carbon Specimen Landing Net pole 1.8m Specimen Landing Net pole 1.8m Power Stick two piece net handle 2.7m

Carbon Power Landing Net pole 1.8m

# NOTE THE SAME

#### **NETTING FISH QUICKLY**

Follow these tips to land fish with the minimum of drama.









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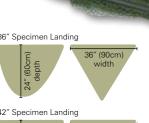
# **NETS AND SPOONS**



#### **SPECIMEN NETS**

An extra strong landing net designed for the angler looking for maximum strength. Wide mesh is ideal for use in both rivers and lakes.

- Supplied with 1.8m (6ft) glass handle with non-slip finish
- Moulded polycarbonate spreader block and arm tips
- Deep mesh, ideal for resting fish after a long fight
- Micromesh sleeving on mesh around arms



#### **3M KEEPNET**

A fantastic keepnet designed to dry quickly, and offer maximum fish protection. Super-soft, yet extremely strong mesh make this net suitable for big weights of carp as well as other fish.

- Made from fish-friendly fast drying mesh
- Extra strong rings throughout
- Angle-adjustable top ring
- Pegging loops on bottom ring





"The Korum range of nets are suitable for all my fishing, whether I'm carping, chasing barbel, or catching smaller species on the float,"

Stuart Jupp



**NET FLOAT** Designed to make landing fish on

your own much easier. A simple float that attaches to your landing net pole ensuring that your net will not sink. Velcro loop can be used to keep the end of the mesh neat.







NAME: Ade Kiddell

BACKGROUND: Ade is one of Europe's finest river anglers, and is really well regarded in the barbel fishing world with numerous really big fish to his name. He's a regular on rivers like the Severn, Wensum and Trent, fishing on regardless of how high or low the river is. Ade has also caught big barbel overseas, and is the current Dutch record holder!

**TOP TIP:** Ade is never afraid to feed quite heavily when fishing for really big barbel, choosing a pellet-based feed for the majority of his fishing. The way he sees it, the bigger the fish - the more likely they are to want a good meal!

Are you fishing the feeder effectively?
Big fish ace Ade Kiddell reveals
his simple guide to catching
more fish on the quivertip.

My earliest memories of swim feeder fishing are as a child fishing the Norfolk Broads with my father and using one of my mothers hair curlers crudely tied to the line and filled with breadcrumb to attract the hungry shoals of roach and bream.

Over the years feeder fishing has developed into a leading tactic for both match-men and pleasure anglers alike. It's moved on from being seen as a 'chuck it and chance it' method to the highly developed and successful technique we know today

The plastic tubes in various shapes and sizes we use as feeders fulfill the roll of bait delivery in much the same way as the hair curler we used all those years ago, but if you look for example at the range of feeders available from Korum, there are around 30 various shapes and sizes of feeder to chose from, which makes the

task of matching the feeder to your fishing circumstances much easier.

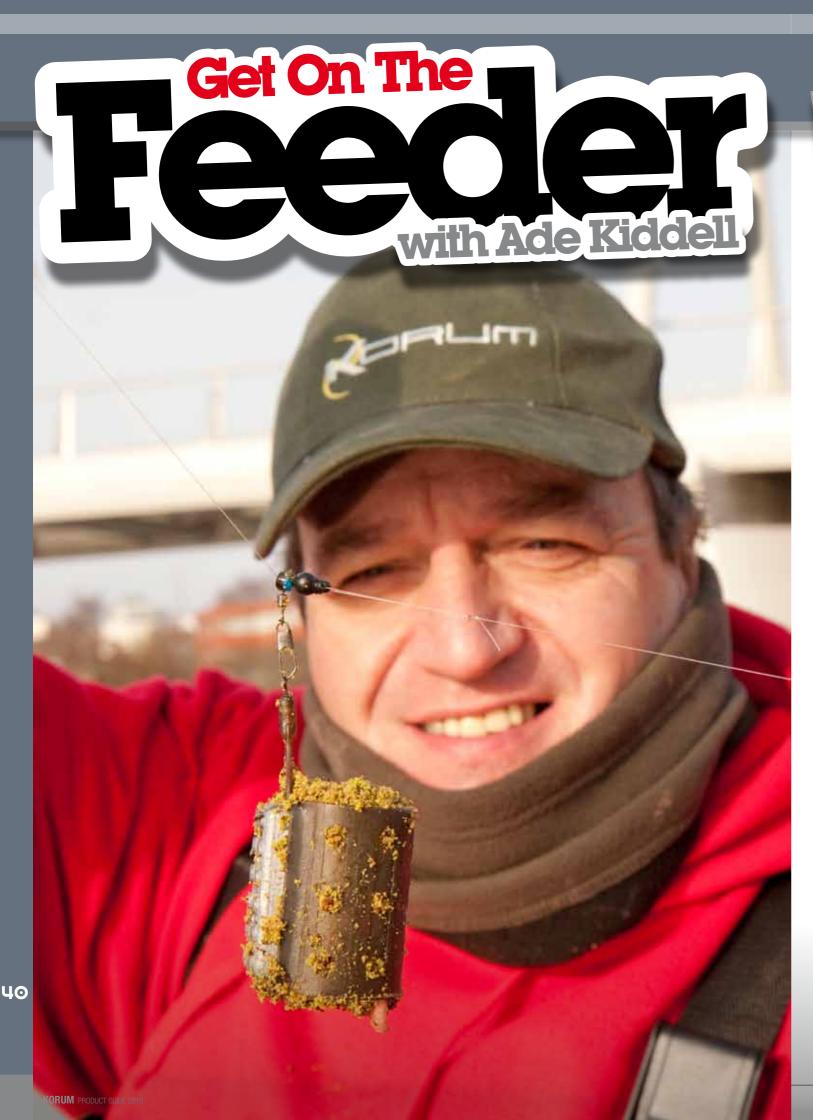
I prefer to carry a selection

#### **Keep It Simple**

of feeders when I go fishing, as this enables me to change feeders to suit the venue or river conditions, as well as helping me pick out certain species. If I were fishing for bream and roach on a slow flowing river, for example, I would carry maybe a dozen feeders in a mixture of small and medium size in weights between 30 and 60 gram. If I were chub fishing on a faster flowing venue, meanwhile, then it might be weights ranging from 45 to 90 gram and when targeting barbel I would prefer to include some larger feeders with weights varying from 60 to 150 gram. The golden rule in all cases is not to use any more weight than is necessary. Ideally, the feeder should just hold the

bottom once it has discharged the feed. After all, the last thing you want is for the feeder to roll once it's empty, resulting in your hook-bait ending up nowhere near your free offerings!

To get the best from your feeder fishing, it's essential to get comfortable and have everything to hand. There's nothing worse than having to constantly get up to reach items of tackle or bait, which is why I use the Korum Accessory Chair [page 10]. It's a great chair this, because by using the adjustable leg system it's possible to get it level on even the steepest of banks. Also, by using some of the various attachments available for the chair, it's possible to have bait and tackle items close to hand when required. It's just like fishing out of an armchair - it really is that









 Once the chair is has been arranged so I have all my other items of tackle and bait close at hand, I position my rod rest on the downstream side of my chair. If I am using a single rod, then I can attach a Korum Feeder Arm to the chair leg and adjust the height of the rod tip easily as required. Generally speaking, the stronger the flow the higher the rod top, because the more line I can keep out of the water in a strong current the less weight I will need for the feeder to hold bottom. Should I be fishing two rods, I prefer the Two-Rod River Tripod because its fully adjustable legs make it possible to get the height and angle I need to suit different river conditions.

#### **Rods & Reels**

I had always thought it near impossible to find a rod that would fulfill most of my feeder fishing requirements, that was until I used the Korum Precision Multi Feeder rod. It comes complete with two top sections - one with a quiver tip, ideal for

maximum bite detection and the other a hollow top for use when fishing with bigger feeders or bite alarms. I can honestly describe this rod as a true allrounder, having used it for a nice bag of roach and bream on The Norfolk Broads as well as barbel sessions on the Severn.

Every good rod needs a reliable reel and the new Korum KXi freespin fits the bill nicely. I prefer a reel with a free spool facility for feeder fishing, as it allows me to take my eye off the rod without fear of having the rod pulled in. Another bonus is the click of the freespool paying out line acts as an audible bite alarm.

In certain situations, I also use the Korum KBI electronic bite alarm for feeder fishing, where it is essential to use a freespool facility. The KXI reel has fantastic line lay and a clutch as smooth as any reel I have ever used, both these features are vital when feeder fishing - especially when targeting bigger fish.

Depending on target species

and river conditions, I will use main lines from 4lb through to 10lb. A sinking line is preferable for feeder fishing, and a simple tip is to wipe your main line with a sponge dipped in mild detergent, as this process will sink your line like a stone.

One thing that makes feeder

fishing such a great fish catching method is the ability to introduce attractive free offerings at all distances, with accuracy being the key. To cast accurately to the same spot every time, you'll need firstly to pick out a marker on the far bank and when casting, imagine a line between you and that marker and cast along that imaginary line. Secondly, to get the correct distance along that imaginary line, cast to the area you want to target and place the reel line in the line clip on the spool. Now every time you cast the feeder should land along our imaginary line at the distance set by the line clip. One word of warning! Avoid the line clip if targeting

bigger or hard fighting fish like carp or barbel, as a surging run can easily snap the main line at the line clip. Instead, tuck the line under an elastic band wrapped around the spool as this will trap the line for casting but still allow a hooked fish to take line

#### The End Zone

When it comes to rigs for feeder fishing, it's best to keep things simple. There are two basic rigs I use, including an old fashioned Paternoster rig which works well on slower paced rivers, whilst for rivers with more pace I like to use a running rig.

You'll see how I tie my Paternoster rig in the images we've taken to illustrate this very basic approach. I like to incorporate quick change products, so it's possible to change feeder sizes or hooklinks at anytime without breaking down the rig. The guys at Korum have also come up with a modern version of the Paternoster rig in their

Quick-Change Heli-Rigs, which work straight from the packet.

The running rig is also simple to set up and works extremely well, offering very little in the way of resistance to shy biting fish. By using a free-running Korum Feedabead and Quick Change Beads, it keeps everything really straightforward and user-friendly. Again, check out the image sequence for an easy guide to tying this rig.

Ever since its introduction a few years ago, Preston Innovations' Reflo Powerline has been my favorite hooklink material when feeder fishing. It's available in breaking strains from under 1lb to over 12lb and is an ultra reliable line whatever the situation. The length of the hooklink depends upon the fishing situation but 18ins would be a good starting point whatever the scenario. but I will use anything from 4ins to 6ft depending upon the circumstances.

To complete my rigs, the Korum range of hooks is ideal. The S4 is a good hook when bream and roach are the target, but should you require a heavier version of the same pattern then the S3 fits the bill. Once bigger fish like barbel or carp are the target, then the S5 pattern comes into its own and will never let vou down.

I hope this insight into feeder fishing helps you to catch a few fish whatever you may be fishing for. The biggest tip I can give is to have confidence, both in the tackle you choose and the bait you feed with. Combine that confidence with the effectiveness of feeder fishing and I'm sure you will be on to a winner and your fishing will be more productive and rewarding as a result.

See page 45 for the full range of Korum feeders.



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residue, fast melt, anti-ladder micromesh PVA is of the highest quality.

The unique scoop, funnel-shaped tube, allows for easy and accurate filling with pellets or groundbait when making bags and groundbait sticks. The shaped lower end commercials in winter where bites can be expected of the tube limits the PVA spilling off the tube during filling. Shaped waterproof case complete with 'no loss' lid. Supplied with a plunger for use when forming PVA groundbait sticks and stick needle for use with bags

Refill PVA is also available in both Narrow and Standard diameters in both standard and ultra fine micro mesh.

Spring PVA bagging

The system incorporates the same class leading features as the original system, but with a quick dissolving anti-ladder micromesh, essential for fishing within seconds of the bait landing. Our sponsored anglers had fantastic results when fishing next to anglers using regular PVA last winter.

Available in standard and narrow diameter. Supplied on a different colour funnel for instant mesh recognition. 5 metre refills also available in our unique compact waterproof container.

#### **MICROFIBRE TOWEL**

Microfibre Fleece towel with mesh carrybag. The micro fibre fabric absorbs approximately 6 times more moisture than conventional towelling. Essential for use when PVA bagging.

Dry off your hook, hookbait and lead with the towel before attaching a new bag. The Microfibre material absorbs moisture resulting in trouble-free PVA fishing even in damp conditions. Size 60cm x 45cm



The original Korum catapult has been designed as the perfect all-rounder. Use it with small boilies and pellets at ranges up to 50 metres, or with particle baits, such as hemp seed and sweet corn at closer range. Korum Spare Pouch & Spare Elastic available.

catapult has been designed to give maximum accuracy and range. Because it does not squash the balls of groundbait the bait flies straight and accurate. Fitted with heavy duty elastic, this catapult is suitable for feeding groundbait up to 50 metres. Spare Groundbait Pouch available.

#### **BOILIE CATAPULT**

Ideal for feeding large amounts of boilies and larger pellets accurately at ranges up to 60 metres, thanks to the large cone shaped pouch. The Boilie Catapult provides a tight baiting pattern when loaded with multiple boilies. Spare Boilie Pouch available.

### **OPEN ENDED FEEDERS**

The holes in the side make them a slightly slower release than the mesh making them more suitable for deeper water or more difficult conditions.

**FEEDERS** 

Sizes Available: SMALL 30G, MEDIUM 30G, MEDIUM 45G, MEDIUM 60G, MEDIUM 75G, MEDIUM 90G, LARGE - 60G, LARGE - 90G, LARGE - 120G, LARGE - 150G



Large specimen mesh feeders with a flat base which holds bottom better than

Sizes Available: SMALL 30G, MEDIUM 30G, MEDIUM 45G, MEDIUM

round feeders. The mesh construction is perfect for a quick release of damp pellets,

- 60G, MEDIUM 75G, MEDIUM 90G, LARGE - 60G,

LARGE - 90G, LARGE - 120G, LARGE - 150G

#### **CARP FEEDER**

**MESH FEEDERS** 

other particles and groundbait

The most advanced Method Feeder ever produced. The aerodynamic shape and lead placing ensures that the feeder casts well and always lands the right way up, placing your hookbait in the correct position, every time.

Sizes Available: LARGE (HEAVY ELASTIC), LARGE (MEDIUM ELASTIC), SMALL (HEAVY ELASTIC), AND SMALL (MEDIUM ELASTIC)



# **IN-LINE CARP FEEDER**

Perfect for waters where fixed feeders are banned, or for using when targeting larger carp with advanced hooklink set-ups.

Sizes Available: LARGE, MEDIUM, SMALL



#### IN-LINE METHOD FEEDER

Suitable for casting longer distances, due to its base mounted weight, which is offset to one side. This ensures that you can bury your hookbait with confidence once the feeder has settled on the bottom, your hookbait will be perfectly presented. Supplied with a swivel and tail rubber which combine to make a neat set-up.

Sizes Available: LARGE 50G. SMALL 30G

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# HOOKS, RIGS AND TERMINAL TACKLE

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# QUICKSTOPS

#### **KORUM S4 HOOKS**

- Same shape as the S3, but made from a lighter gauge wire
- Ideal when you need a finer presentation
- Ideal for delicate feeders, such as chub and tench
- Teflon coated non-flash finish
- Also makes the perfect floater fishing

Sizes: 10, 12, 14, 16 & 18



#### **HOOK HAIRS** WITH QUICKSTOPS

This super fast bait stop system comprises a high quality eyed hook, tied braid hair and Quickstop. Perfect for boilies, soft pellets, meat and corn, making fishing with a hair rig and mounting a bait ultra simple. The barbed version has been designed for anglers who prefer barbed hooks when fishing for barbel, chub, tench, bream and also for carp. The small barb gives more security, especially in situations where fish may get weeded.



The easy way to use hard pellets on the hair. Perfectly formed hair rigs with a sure-grip bait band that make these the perfect rigs for use with all hard pellets. Featuring extra strong hooks to make these perfect for carp, barbel, chub



#### **KORUM S3 HOOKS**

- Our strongest hook yet, thanks to the heavier gauge wire and short shank
- Teflon non-flash low visibility finish
- Chemically sharpened, in-turned point keeps its sharpness longer
- 12° Down-turned eye ensures hook flip in the fish's mouth
- Wide gape for maximum hooking potential when using hair rigs
- Perfect for hair rigs, particularly with bottom baits

**Barbless Hooks Sizes:** 6. 8.10. 12. 14. 16 & 18

**Barbed Hooks Sizes:** 4 6 8 10 12 8 14



## **KORUM S5 HOOKS**

- Super strong high carbon steel construction for maximum strength
- Teflon non-flash low visibility finish ■ Down turned-eye creates perfect
- angle for anti-eject sleeves Chemically sharpened straight point
- for easy penetration Ideal for pop-ups and braided hair rigs
- **Barbless Hooks Sizes:**

6. 8.10 & 12 **Barbed Hooks Sizes:** 

2, 4, 6, 8,10 & 12

The Korum Seamless range of hooks have been nothing less than revolutionary, since their launch. The seamless eve construction eliminates any chance of the hook length material being damaged by being forced into the gap in the eye found on traditional hooks. Whether you use braided, fluorocarbon, or nylon hook lengths, Seamless hooks will give you peace of mind



#### **BRAID HAIR RIG**

Featuring our S5 hook this tough, no-nonsense rig is designed for big fish. The 10 and 12 are size for size the toughest rigs around. The rig sleeve helps reduce tangles, whilst the weighted braid ensures your hooklink stays on the bottom. Use with the Korum Lead Clip kit for a strong safe rig.

- Tied using sinking 20lb braid
- Extra strong Korum hooks
- Precision tied hairs

Barbless Hooks Sizes: 6, 8,10 & 12 **Barbed Hooks Sizes:** 4, 6, 8,10 & 12



## **EASY HAIR RIG**

The Mono Easy Rig gives you a choice of bait attachment. For banding soft or hard pellets place the pellet into the loop then slide the rubber stop down to trap your bait. Use with a baiting needle for conventional hair rigging, with predrilled pellets the rubber



#### stop can be used to hold the bait firmly on the hair to prevent the stop being knocked out.

- Innovative adjustable bait attachment
- Line strength matched to hook size ■ Extra strong Korum hooks
- Ideal for pellets, boilies and corn

**Barbless Hooks Sizes:** 4, 6, 8,10, 12 & 14

**Barbed Hooks Sizes:** 

4, 6, 8,10, 12 & 14

#### QUICKSTOPS

The innovative Korum Quickstops are a major breakthrough in bait stop design. Permanently attached to the hair, Quickstops cut baiting time down and make attaching small baits like meat, corn and mini boilies super fast. The best, most convenient bait stops ever invented.

#### **XL QUICKSTOPS**

Designed for use with larger and harder baits, the new XL Quickstops are perfect for boilies, large pellets and meat baits. Made from a super-strong material that can be pushed through harder baits than the original Quickstops.

#### **XL COLOURED QUICKSTOPS**

Available in pellet brown, and boilie red and yellow, these XL Quickstops have been designed to offer the correct colour to complement your chosen bait, making them blend in and be less visible.

#### **QUICKSTOP NEEDLE**

The Korum Quickstop Needle is designed to be used with Quickstops. You insert the needle directly into the Quickstop and then push it through the bait before removing to leave the Quickstop in place.

Chris Ponsford.







"Quickstops have revolutionised my fishing.

which is perfect when day session fishing,"

### **HOW TO USE** QUICKSTOPS

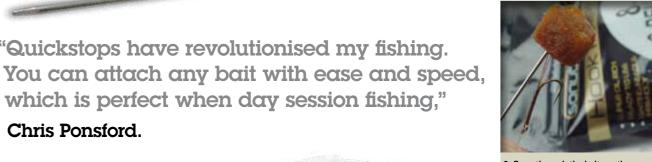
Bait up quickly and easily by following these simple steps.



1. Insert the Quickstop needle into the Quickstop on your hair rig.



. Gently push the Quickstop needle (with the Quickstop on it) through the bait.



3. Once through the bait gently ease the Quickstop off the needle



4. The finished presentation is absolutely spot on.

## QUICKSTOPS ON HAIR RIGS

Identical to the hugely successful Korum Hair Rig, but with a Quickstop fitted. Brilliant for drilled pellets, sweetcorn and meat fishing.

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**BOILIE STOP** 

hair loop

# **ACCESSORIES AND LINE**

#### **LEAD CLIP KIT**

A bolt rig is where, on picking the hookbait up, the full weight of the lead is felt by the fish causing it to bolt off giving very positive bite indication. A lead clip provides the safest most efficient type of rig for bolt rigging. As the swivel is held in place by the pin, if the lead is snagged or caught in heavy weed it will eject to prevent the lead being attached to a broken rig. For variable tension on discharge alter the position of the sleeve on the ribbed lead clip. Available in two sizes.



#### **QUICK CHANGE BEADS**

Quick Change Beads enable you to change your hooklength instantly and also act as a shock bead when fishing a running feeder. Simple to use and totally reliable (they've been thoroughly tested in extreme conditions and will never let you down), they are perfect for stillwater and river styles of feeder and bomb fishing. Sizes standard and large.



#### **RIG SLEEVE**

Long tapered sleeve makes for neat streamlined presentations and provides a boom effect that dramatically reduces hooklength tangles. Perfect for use with quickchange swivels, they can be trimmed to length if required. Also used in simple tangle-free feeder rigs.



#### Paste fishing made easy:

Simply begin by tying the Paste Cage to the end of a standard hair rig. Then push the Cage into your chosen paste until the inner is filled. Mould the paste around the outer cage to create your hookbait.

Paste cages really are the ideal solution to making paste fishing easier.

Available in two sizes, large and small.



All the benefits and more of shrink tube but without the hassle. Tie rigs in seconds without needing boiling water, Safer and quicker. It's 'Fishing Made Easy'. Use instead of shrink tube to produce rigs with increased hooking efficiency. Simply cut the tubing to your required length, thread on to your hookline and slide over the hook eye and knot. The tubes flexibility ensures that on the take the direct pull is to the hook eye, which will lead to more fish hooked and better hookholds



## **INVISI STOP**

Simple easy-to-use stop in a range of different colours 
The clever design of this stop means that when it is in to match most baits. Just cut to length and insert into place no stop can be seen. Designed to fool the wariest of fish. Insert in hair loop then pull into the bait.



#### **PELLET STOP**

Originally designed for use with drilled pellets. The flat moulded ends on the feet allow easy insertion into hair loops. Also excellent for use with soft pellets and boilies. Available in three different lengths allowing you to easily alter your hair length.

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Perfect for quickly changing feeders or bombs, Korum Link Swivels are small, neat, easy to use and totally reliable.



#### **BUFFER BEADS**

Supplied in three sizes to match your rigs.



#### **RUNNING CLIP**

For quick release running rigs without breaking down your rod, simply thread the running clip and sleeve on the line above your buffer bead, pull back the sleeve and attach your lead. When you have finished fishing remove the lead to allow to have made-up rods without the lead damaging them in transit.



The free-running, low friction Korum Feedabead keeps resistance down to a minimum and has a guick change clip for fast changing of feeders and bombs.



#### **SWIVELS**

High breaking strain swivel, free rotating under load with a low glare finish for rig concealment. Available in three sizes.



#### **FLOAT ADAPTERS**

Can be easily moved or removed for storage. Perfect for controller floats, bagging wagglers and floating method feeders.



#### **QUICKCHANGE CLIP**

2 sizes of clip to match the lead clips. Enables rapid rig changing when using looped or swivel rigs supplied with silicone sleeving for extra protection. Perfect for stick rigs. Also used for spinning traces and very simple tangle-free feeder rigs.



#### **QUICKCHANGE SWIVEL**

Streamlined all-in-one swivel allows 'rapid rig' change and is perfect for stick rig presentations.



### RUBBER BRAID STOPS

High-grade rubber stops made from extra grippy rubber so they go on easily but stay put.





## **READY HELI-KITS** - STANDARD SWIVEL

These ready-to-go rig kits have been designed to create the perfect Helicopter rig. They're ideal for feeder fishing and legering.



- QUICK-CHANGE SWIVEL

These Heli-Kits come with a quick-change swivel that's perfect for anglers who like to change their rigs regularly throughout a session.



# - SNAP-LINK SWIVEL

These particular kits come complete with a snap link swivel, making it ideal for anglers using pellet wagglers and other floats.

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**BLOBS** 

## FLOATS, TOOLS AND TERMINAL TACKLE TOOLS



## **KLEAR CONTROLLER**

The new Korum Klear Controllers are a subtle nonflash translucent green colour to prevent spooking fish. Designed for surface fishing, these loaded controllers have in-built flights for accurate casting and hooked conventionally or mounted onto a hair. changeable sight tips to suit different conditions. The line is attached to the top of the controller to prevent line sinking and provide a quicker strike. Available in two sizes: 10g and 20g.

## **SUPA SOFT IMITATION CORN**

A buoyant imitation bait that can be used in a number of ways to fool fish that are difficult to catch. Ideal for feeder or float, Supa Soft Corn is very soft so it can be



Follow this with your Controller

Now slide on Buffer Bead

Slide a stop up onto your mainline

**USING CONTROLLERS** 

controller set-up.

Follow these steps to make a simple, tangle-free



#### **KORUM MARKER FLOATS**

Korum Marker Floats have a compact design that allows them to be used with lighter leads than traditional (larger) floats, reducing disturbance. Specialist rods and reels are also not required. Minimum recommended tackle consists of 10lb main line and a 1 3/4 lb test curve rod.

High Visibility floats designed for shallow fishing.

onto your line using the pre-threaded wire loop.

Excellent for weedy swims, they are easy to attach

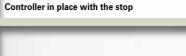
Six per pack. Available in two sizes: Medium and small.



#### CONTROLLERS

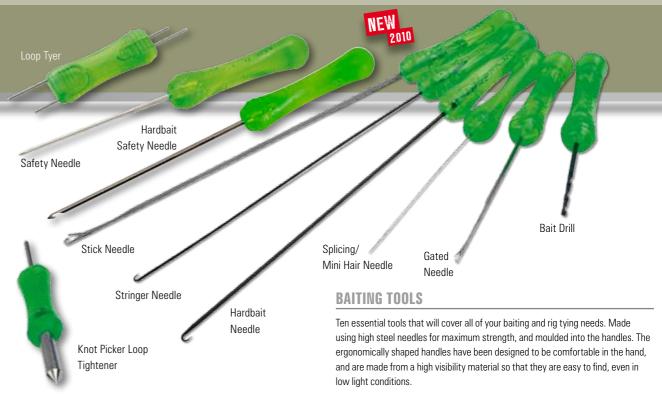
Korum Controllers are specially designed for surface fishing. The dumpy shape prevents the controller from diving under the surface on the cast and the high visibility tips are easy to see. The Top Attachment is perfect for calm conditions and can be fished





Tie on your chosen hook length, incorporating a Rig Sleeve and you are ready-to-go

Available in: 4g, 6g, 8g and 10g.





"There's a Korum tool for every conceivable eventuality. The new Drill and Needle kit is arguably the finest available," - Chris Ponsford

Offers superior performance and longevity compared to standard tools.

DRILL AND NEEDLE KIT

- Stainless steel machined drill
- Up to five times stronger than a conventional bait drill
- Super-sharp cuts through hard baits with ease and keeps its edge longer.
- Barbed Safety Needle with recessed barbed so as not to split baits or damage braided hairs.

#### **BAITING NEEDLE**

Designed for soft baits like meat, corn, paste and pellets. The ultra thin needle reduces bait damage and is perfect for using with Korum Bait Stops.



See page 5 for details of the new Korum ITM Tool Kit

#### **BRAID SCISSORS**

These razor sharp Korum Braid Scissors have been designed for cutting braid and knots. Leaves a neat end on thicker mono line cleanly. They feature an easy grip soft touch handle and a serrated steel blade that slices through braid.

Ideal for cutting mono line close to mono without flattening.



## **BAIT BANDS**

Korum Pellet Bands are the ideal solution for hard pellets. Two sizes are available, both produced from neutral coloured pure latex that stretches easily to fit all pellets from 4mm to 20mm. Use with the Korum Pellet Bander for perfect results.



#### **BAIT PUNCHES**

The Korum Bait Punch is designed to punch out hookbait sized pellets from both luncheon meat and paste. Quick and simple to use. There are four sizes in each pack to suit all hook sizes.

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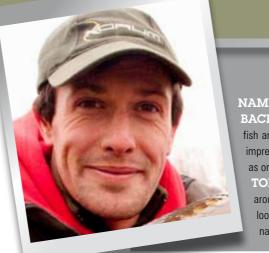
#### **BAIT STOPS**

Totally different to conventional bait stops, the Korum version, when used in conjunction with the Korum Baiting Needle, makes baiting the hair loop simple, quick, easy and secure. The clear colour means that they are almost invisible once in place.

The guickest, simplest way to band hard pellets perfectly every time. The Pellet Bander comes in three sizes (6mm, 7mm, 8.5mm) and holds empty bait bands ready for instant use.

**PELLET BANDER** 

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# THE POWER OF PVA

NAME: Julian Chidgey

BACKGROUND: Julian is currently one of Britain's most successful big fish anglers. He's the 2010 Drennan Specimen Cup winner, and has a seriously impressive string of very big fish of all species to his name. Jules is also regarded as one of the best predator anglers in the UK today.

TOP TIP: Julian puts a lot of importance in watercraft, taking time to search around a venue to find the species of fish he's looking for. He recommends looking for areas that provide cover for fish, or weedbeds that may be full of natural food. Putting your rods out in the right place makes a huge difference!

Julian Chidgey looks at how you can enjoy a mixed bag of coarse fish using one of modern angling's most prolific methods

No other product has aided bait presentation to the extent that PVA has. Whether aiming to present a small parcel of bait in a weedy swim for carp; a stringer of pellets in a pacy river swim for barbel, or a stick of groundbait for tench and bream, PVA is the versatile answer to many difficult baiting situations.

Just a quick look in your local tackle shop will confirm its popularity, with dozens of products available. As a massive PVA fan myself, I have spent a lot of time trying various bags, mesh, string and thread, and I believe that in the two sizes of mesh tube offered by Korum, I have finally found a 'do it all' PVA product.

So why are these products so good? Unlike much of the PVA on the market, the Korum mesh is made from a unique antiladder material that can take abuse from rough hands without falling to pieces before it even gets near the water! The high quality PVA works in all water

temperatures, whilst its fine mesh construction allows the use of even the smallest crushed baits or fine ground bait mixes. What's more, the central tube on which the PVA is mounted is splayed at the top, to allow bait to be easily funneled in. The tube also comes in a small carry case which protects the PVA from moisture, and can also hold the supplied baiting needle, and compressor stick.

#### PVA for all

Many anglers view PVA as a specialist item - the preserve of long stay carpers tucked away in a bivvy, as opposed to the everyday angler. But nothing could be further from the truth. With a little thought, I'm sure this product could improve your dayto-day fishing.

My personal favourite PVA setup revolves around the use of a very traditional bait - the humble maggot, which is often overlooked in modern angling. With many anglers preferring

pellets, meat and boilies, these grubs often produce a reaction when all else fails. Their lively action stimulates fish into feeding activity in a way that static baits don't, and every species from the smallest roach to the largest carp will fall foul of their charms. It means you will never have to wait long for your next bite, which is exactly how I like my fishing!

To make the most of the universal appeal of the maggot, I use a very simple running ledger setup incorporating a Korum running clip mounted on 6lb main line. I normally begin my session with a 1oz flat lead, stepping up or down to suit prevailing conditions on the day. The running clip is stopped by a Buffer Bead, below which sits a 12 inch hooklength of 10lb braid attached to the main line using a swivel covered by a Korum anti-tangle sleeve. On the end of this sits a size 14 S4 hook onto which I mount a couple of maggots. If a barbless hook

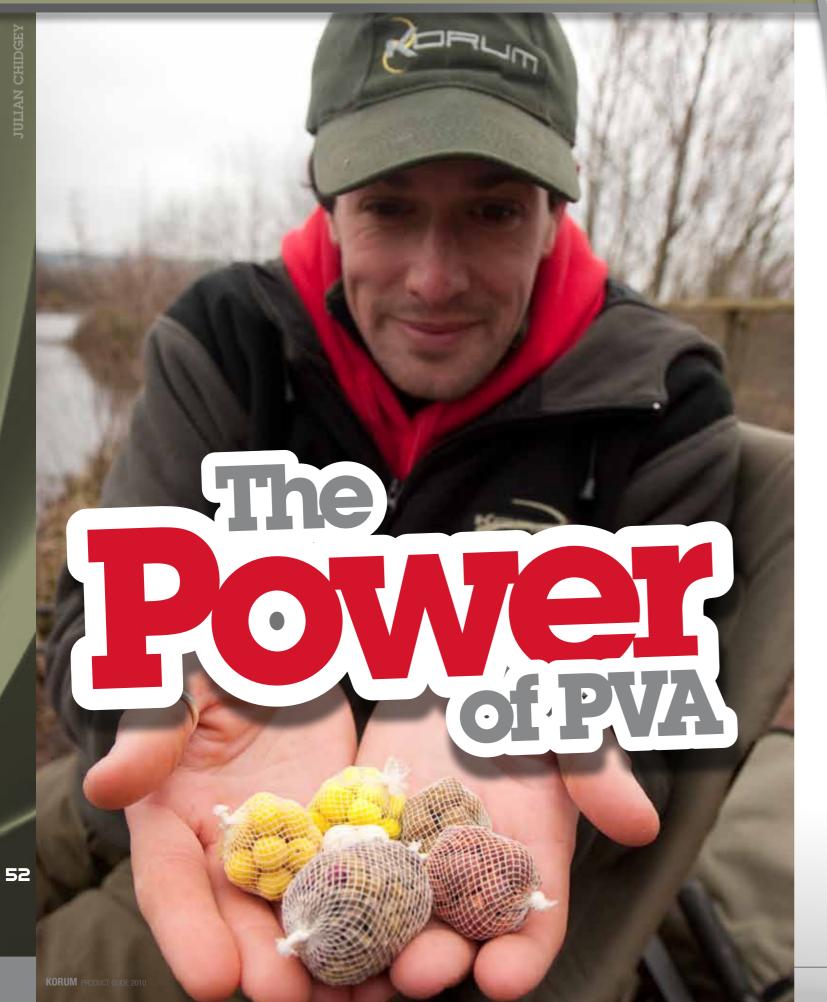
rule is in place at the venue that I'm fishing, I will always tip the hookbait with one of the ultrarealistic, soft plastic maggots to stop the lively critters wriggling off the hook!

I match this setup to my favourite rod, the Korum Multi-Feeder, and a Korum KXi50 free spin reel. I find this set up gives a great balance which still provides good sport from our smaller species, yet gives me enough power to tame a hard fighting carp or tench should I be lucky enough for one to come along!

Coming from a specialist angling background, I often use two different outfits to cover different parts of the swim, but this rig is also the perfect setup for use as a 'sleeper' outfit resting on a Korum KBI bite alarm, whilst you fish the float

#### **Accuracy pays**

Having found an area that I wish to fish, I tie a simple



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# "The accuracy of this method is unbeatable, with each cast presenting a small area of attraction which surrounds your baited hook"

marker on my main line with some Preston number 4 pole elastic to ensure that I cast to the same spot each time. The advantage of using this method as opposed to clipping the main line on the spool is that I'm in total control if a bigger, more powerful fish is hooked.

I always begin my session by making several casts with large bags of maggots around the size of a tangerine, to ensure that I have an irresistible bed of maggots in my swim. I then aim to recast every 10 minutes throughout the session, using bags around the size of a table tennis ball nicked straight onto the hook to keep my swim topped up. The accuracy of this method is unbeatable, with each cast presenting a small area of attraction which surrounds your baited hook, concentrating feeding activity right where you

Presenting the loose fed maggots in PVA mesh also has several other great advantages over other baiting methods. For starters, it avoids having to try to

accurately catapult the bait. The PVA also doesn't break down until the bait is on the lakebed, which means that small fish aren't eating your feed on the drop, as they often do with maggots that have been catapulted into the swim. The quick breakdown time of the Korum PVA also means your rig is fishing to maximum efficiency within seconds of settling on the bottom, which often results in lots of instant bites, meaning more fish in the net through your session!

Over the last couple of years this deadly combination of Korum PVA mesh and maggots has produced some amazing catches for me, with many great mixed bags from a variety of commercial and natural waters - as well as some great specimens including big perch, double figure tench and carp in excess of 40lb! For me, that's the biggest selling point of this highly productive method... you simply don't know what the next

bite will produce!



## How to tie a mesh PVA bag



1. Korum PVA stocking system allows bags to be tied using a variety of baits - in this instance maggots.



**2.** Fill the funnel with the required amount



3. Using the plunger compact the bait so you can form a nice tight bag.



knot.



end of the next bag )and cut the PVA between the knots



**6.** As shown in the above photo this process can be used to make PVA bags with many different baits





## **ALL WEATHER SUIT**

The new All Weather Suit has a warm removable quilted lining for all year round use (this can be worn individually). Waterproof (hydrostatic head 10m) and breathable, it has stormflap closure on all pockets. Made from 'soft touch' Nylon Taslon it has reinforced padding on all heavy wear areas making it comfortable to wear and very practical.

- 10,000mm waterproofing
- Fully breathable
- Removable quilted lining that can be used separately
- Detachable volume-adjustable hood
- All heavy wear areas have been reinforced for extra strength
- Stormflap closure on all pockets
- Twin chest pockets and hand pockets
- Velcro adjustable cuffs
- Zipped gussets on trousers for easy boot removal





Loaded with quality and features, the Korum Thermal Suit is padded and reinforced where it needs to be and has its pockets in all the right places. It is totally waterproof (hydrostatic head 10m) and is made from 'soft touch' Nylon Taslon. Both the Jacket and Bib & Brace have a thermal padded lining.

■ 10,000mm waterproofing

THERMAL SUIT

- Made from Nylon Taslon with an innovative 'soft touch' finish
- Thermal lining for maximum warmth
- Detachable volume-adjustable hood
- Comfortable velcro-adjustable cuffs
- Reinforced knees and, shoulders and arms

"It's clear that all of Korum's suits have been designed with maximum practicality in mind."

#### Duncan Charman





Korum clothing has gained an enviable reputation for hardwearing quality and supreme performance. Korum clothing is designed to be perfect for the mobile angler, even through the worst of the British climate.



#### 2-PIECE UNDERSUIT

Designed to be worn next to the skin as a base layer. The advanced fibre wicks away moisture keeping you comfortable and dry.



Waterproof, twin-layered boots that are easy to walk in and very warm. The liners can be removed for washing and Neoprene calf and top provides comfort



#### **NECK WARMER**

Windproof neck warmer. Perfect for wearing under loose outer garments.

#### **BEANIE HAT**



Fitted beanie hat that can be pulled down for warmth.



Adjustable peaked cotton cap with Korum logo.



## **HOODED FLEECE**

Warm hooded half-zipped fleece with a front zipped pouch pocket and zipped hand warmer pockets. Toggle adjustable neck and elasticated cuffs.

An exceedingly warm full-zip fleece that looks just as

good off the bank as it does on it. Heavyweight, machine washable,

- 280g anti-pill fleece
- High collar
- Chunky full length zip
- Easy slide nylon lined sleeves with elasticated cuff Hand warmer pockets



as an outer garment or as part of a layer system. Full length zip and toggle neck adjustment.



#### **KORUM HOODIE**

This fashionable hooded sweatshirt is an ideal bit of bankside clobber. It features the stylish Korum logo on the shoulder, and also has a built in front pocket.

#### **KORUM T-SHIRT**

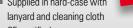
The Korum T-shirt features the same stylish embroidered Korum logo as the Hoodie and is ideal on those warmer fishing days.



## **POLARISED GLASSES**

Essential kit for every angler, polarised glasses are essential for efficient fish spotting and help reduce eye-strain in bright conditions.

- Available with brown or grey lenses
- Polycarbonate frames
- Fashionable design
- Metal hinges ■ Supplied in hard-case with





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