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Patrice Faucogney, Air Force veteran and helicopter mechanic, became paralyzed following a snowboard accident. Despite his handicap, he wished to continue his outdoor activities. He designs a wheelchair capable of accessing beaches and swimming areas with Vincent Leroy, his physical therapist. Together they created Vipamat in 2002.

Based in France, Vipamat designs, manufactures and markets a range of wheelchairs that allow people with reduced mobility to access leisure areas and discover new horizons.

Our commitment: to be as close as possible to the user in order to develop innovative products of high quality.
The Hippocampe Beach & All-Terrain accompanies you through all your outdoor activities. **Versatile and comfortable,** it adapts to your activities so you can enjoy moments of **relaxation and sharing with your relatives and friends.**

Thanks to its many options for comfort and leisure, the Hippocampe becomes a true companion to reach all terrains.

Enjoy hikes in the mountains or through forests, swims and walks in the snow, **discover new horizons!**
Cust-omize your Hippocampe based on your specific needs

Adjustable headrest
Adapts to the user’s body type thanks to its height and depth adjustments.

Adjustable back
Adjustable in height and incline, it adapts perfectly to the user.

Adjustable armrests
Removable and rotating, they facilitate transfer to the chair.

Waist belt
Optimizes the position of the user in the wheelchair.

Mixed harness
In elastic neoprene, comfortable and water resistant, it facilitates the support and positioning of the user.

Anti-freezing cover
Comfortable and resistant it protects the user from cold and rain.

Protective nets
Adapt between the seat and the armrests or the footrest to protect the hands and feet of the user.

Parking brakes
Rotating and rustproof, they immobilize the wheelchair on an incline and facilitates transfers.

Balloon wheels
Replace the double wheels and facilitate the wheelchair’s mobility on sand for adult users.

Transport bag
The transport bag protects your wheelchair during your car and plane travels.

Front ski
Make your walks on snow easier, adapt to the terrain and prevent accumulation of snow on wheels.

Backrest bag
The backrest bag allows for the transport of your personal items during your leisure activities.

Pair of back skis

The Hippocampe Pool makes it easier for people with reduced mobility to access aquatic and pool spaces. Usable in water, easy to use and hygienic it accompanies users from changing rooms to pool areas while avoiding multiple transfers.

Accessibility

The Hippocampe allows people with reduced mobility to move around freely between changing rooms, showers, and pool areas.

It can be submerged in water to simplify access to swimming.

Hygiene and security

The seat and footrest cover is made of comfortable hydrophobic foam that protects its user.

With easy maintenance, the Hippocampe can be rinsed and disinfected after each use.
Hippocampe Beach and All-terrain

Technical data

Seat length - feet
S: 28.5" - 72 cm - M: 32" - 82 cm
L: 36" - 92 cm - XL: 41.5" - 105 cm

Back seat height
14.5" - 37 cm to 18.5" - 47 cm

Seat width
15.5" - 40 cm

Seat depth
14.5" - 37 cm

Seat height - ground
13.5" - 34 cm

Interior width (without armrests)
19.5" - 50 cm

Total width
27" - 68 cm

Total length
S: 67" - 170 cm - M: 71" - 180 cm
L: 75" - 190 cm - XL: 80" - 203 cm

Total height
40.5" - 103 cm

Total length folded
S: 45.5" - 116 cm - M: 49.5" - 126 cm
L: 53.5" - 136 cm - XL: 58.5" - 149 cm

Weight
Weight without options: 17 kg / 37 lb
Max user weight: 130 kg / 286 lb

Size guide

Size S: to 4 ft 7 in - 1m40
Size M: from 4 ft 7 in - 1m40 to 5 ft 5 in - 1m65
Size L: from 5 ft 5 in - 1m65 to 6 ft 1 in - 1m85
Size XL: from 6 ft 1 in - 1m85

Hippocampe Pool

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Back seat height
14.5" - 37 cm

Seat width
15.5" - 40 cm

Seat depth
14.5" - 37 cm

Seat height - ground
13.5" - 34 cm

Interior width
19.5" - 50 cm

Total width
27" - 68 cm

Total length
S: 54" - 137 cm

Total height
38" - 96 cm

Total length folded
All sizes: 40 cm - 15"

Seat:
Comfortable hydrophobic foam (3cm thickness) covered by black fabric which dries quickly and avoids skin problems.

Frame:
Stainless steel and anodized aluminum with a foam cover that is comfortable to the touch even in case of heat and cold exposure.

Push bar:
Anodized aluminium tube with a handle covered in foam that improves comfort for the companion.

Zoom on the characteristics of the Hippocampe product range

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Vipamat’s goal is to insure a level of quality and performance that satisfies the requirements of the FDA.