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1. Disclaimer and important advice for your own safety

Please read carefully and follow this important advice:

- This Paraglider is an air-sport-vehicle with the obligation of type testing and with a glider weight of less than 120kg. It is not usable as skydiving-glider or for openings in free-fall.
- This paraglider complies, at the time of delivery, with the certification requirements of the European Norm EN 926-1:2006
- Paragliders must not be flown by persons without a valid qualification unless under the instruction of a suitably experienced and qualified, registered paragliding school. Flying a paraglider without the proper knowledge, skills and qualification is dangerous.
- The national regulations for flying paragliders must be obeyed in all circumstances.
- The pilot must respect and comply with the rules of law.
- This paraglider must only be used within the weight limits.
- This paraglider is used exclusively at your own risk.
The manufacturer or distributor cannot be held responsible for any damages arising to persons, property or other materials which occur as a result of the use of this paraglider.
- All liability arising from the use of this paraglider is exclusively that of the pilot in charge. The manufacturer or distributor is excluded from any liability resulting for the use, misuse or otherwise, of this paraglider.
- It is the owner's and/or pilot's obligation to monitor and to maintain the airworthiness of this paraglider. To make sure the paraglider always flies with optimum characteristics, take care of the paraglider and make regular checks.
- Any change made to the structure of the paraglider renders it uncertified (non-conformity of type-testing) and invalidates any warranty. Structural repairs to paragliders must only be made by an appropriately experienced and recognised service centre. All changes and/or repairs must be recorded in the service history record in this manual.
- It is an implied requirement that the pilot flies a paraglider that matches his skill level. A pilot should not fly a paraglider outwith his ability to meet the demands of the paraglider in all states and conditions of flight.
- The glider must be 'test' flown by an expert before the first use. The 'conformity checked by' box on the certification sticker affixed to the wing must be countersigned with the signature of the testing pilot and date of the test flight.
- Acrobatics are not allowed.
- Flying in rain or with a wet paraglider is not allowed. Pilots should always land well before any risk of contact with rain. Flying a wet paraglider can, in certain circumstances, lead to a deep-stall state.
- Before flying a new paraglider practice launch and control techniques on a flat field or training slope.
- Make the first flights with a new paraglider at a site that you use regularly and when meteorological conditions are favourable. Be aware that your new paraglider may have different characteristics from anything you have flown or trained with. Ensure that you allow adequate space for the landing approach.
- When flying always wear helmet and gloves, as well as suitable shoes and clothing.

- Always make sure that the wind direction and speed as well the general meteorological situations are within the pilot's capabilities and favour safe flight.

Please read this manual carefully and thoroughly.

IMPORTANT SAFETY NOTICE

By the purchase of this equipment, you are responsible for being a certified paraglider pilot and you accept all risks inherent with paragliding activities including injury and death. Improper use or misuse of paragliding equipment greatly increases these risks. Neither Airdesign nor the seller of Airdesign equipment shall be held liable for personal or third party injuries or damages under any circumstances. If any aspect of the use of our equipment remains unclear, please contact your local paragliding instructor, Airdesign dealer or the Airdesign importer in your country.

2. Construction, Pilot profile

- **SUper Simple** –

SuSi is a multi purpose paraglider - a small and simple paraglider-style wing with good glide performance and all round comfortable characteristics*

SuSi is no speedwing. Glide performance is very good for its size.

SuSi is no acro wing. SuSi is designed for comfort in flight but can be flown actively and dynamically.



Design aims :

Our SUperSimple glider is a multi-purpose paraglider, designed for pilots who want to have fun in all kinds of conditions and places; coastal soaring in strong winds, mountaineering and dynamic free flying.

The concept for SuSi is a wing that is small, therefore light and easy to launch but with good head-wind performance to reliably bring you back down after a day in the mountains. The performance and good take off characteristics mean SuSi is highly suitable for mountaineering descent and 'hike & fly'. SuSi inflates and lifts-off like a paraglider making launching from restricted or tricky mountain situations relatively stress free.

Pilot profile :

SUperSimple refers to the construction of the glider and not to the flying experience. SuSi is dynamic when flown fast; pilots should be experienced and with good glider handling skills to control the wing during this style of flying. We recommend the use of this wing for Pilots fulfilling the demands of a Pilot-profile EN-C and above.

The glider has been tested for 'solo'/single person use only.

*Due to its small size the wing has a high trim-speed with fast and radical reactions to brake input. Pilots must be experienced to be able to control this type of wing.

Suitability for training

The AirDesign SuSi is NOT suitable for training or use in the school environment (except as a ground handling/kite wing)

Recommended weight range

The SuSi has no specific weight range. The maximum weight in-flight is 120kg. The take-off weight includes pilot plus clothing, glider, harness, equipment etc.

Altering the take-off weight changes also the speed of the wing. As a reference we state the take-off speed at an in-flight weight of 85kg. A change of weight of about 10kg results in a change of speed of around 2km/h.

Glider info :

Test flights have proven that SuSi has good pitch stability with easy handling for a wing of this type.

With only a little brake input, SuSi can be flown like a standard glider, turning flat and with an astounding climb for its small size. With more pilot input SuSi is super agile, super fun and can be turned like a speed glider. SuSi responds to brake input and quickly builds momentum to make radical wing-overs or hook-turns absolutely thrilling!

For a wing of this type SuSi has a good glide, (close to 7) making it comparable with many extra small intermediate paragliders. SuSi cuts through turbulence without excessive reaction, absorbing the bumps with minimal pitch or roll. The handling, whilst still active, has been reduced to manageable levels making SuSi one of the most comfortable gliders of this type.

Design Details:

- The airfoil of SuSi was developed especially for this type of wing with technology developed directly for our 2-line race gliders.
- A new line-layout with rear positioned attachment point's results in relatively neutral flying characteristics and reduction in total line consumption.
- 3-line concept with split D at the upper C-lines.
- Polyamide rods in the leading edge keep the profile in perfect shape and improve performance and launch characteristics.
- 3D Cut: a technical sail cutting method used across the leading edge area. This produces an improved air flow and increased performance.
- Performance style reinforced 12mm risers with 'standard' foot operated speed system, adjustable brake handles and dirt-holes at the wing tips complete the quality finish.

Specification:

SuSi is load tested/shock tested to EN 926-1 but no flying test certification is planned.

Pilot Impressions:

We gave our SuSi to a bunch of mountain pilots. Here is what they had to say:

- SuSi has super start and landing behaviour. SuSi is definitely suitable as a mountain glider.
- Flaring to land SuSi is easy. SuSi doesn't convert the energy to climb up again meaning you can manage to flare the glider very precisely. Being able to stall the wing to zero speed for when there is no headwind while landing in the mountains is important.
- SuSi has super handling in strong winds.
- SuSi has beautiful long brake travel and is uncomplicated, but still very pleasant to fly.
- Weight shifting is very effective in all situations; thermalling, soaring, wingovers.
- The size '18' fly's more like a standard paraglider. The '16' is 'hotter'; you get more energy and adrenaline rush!

3. Technical Data

			
SIZE	16	18	
AREA FLAT (m ²)	16.02	18.00	
AREA PROJECTED (m ²)	13.75	15.47	
SPAN FLAT (m)	8.90	9.43	
SPAN PROJECTED (m)	7.13	7.56	
ASPECT RATIO FLAT	5	5	
ASPECT RATIO PROJECTED	3.69	3.69	
CELLS	34	34	
TOTAL LINE LENGTH	201	216	
TOTAL LINES	160	160	
LINE DIAMETERS - STANDARD VERSION	0.9/1.15/1.8		
WEIGHT (kg) - STANDARD VERSION	3.2	3.5	
V-TRIM/V-MAX (km/h) WITH 85kg TAKE-OFF WEIGHT	45/59	42/56	
LTF/EN CATEGORY	EN-926-1	EN-926-1	
TAKE-OFF WEIGHT (kg)	- 120	- 120	

4. Harness

SuSi may be used with all standard types of harness.

5. Towing / winching

SuSi is not tested for towing / winching and it is not recommended for the this purpose.

6. Practical Flying

This manual is not an instruction manual for learning how to fly.

It is assumed that the pilot has had proper training leading to a recognised qualification and has the ability to fly such a wing.

a. Pre-flight check

A careful pre-flight check is recommended before every flight.

The lines, risers, maillons and canopy should be checked for damage. Do not take off if there is the smallest amount of visible damage.

Ensure that the main Karabiners between harness and risers are undamaged and are closed.

The harness must be put on with greatest care and all straps secured correctly.

Check the correct position of the reserve (rescue) handle and make sure the pins of the reserve (rescue) are in place.

The lines and risers should be sorted carefully. Check that the risers are not twisted and that the brake lines are running free. All lines must run from riser to canopy free from tangles or knots – during flight it is often not possible to release knots in lines.

Lines lay directly in contact with the ground. Therefore, take care that they don't get caught or snagged during take-off.

No lines should be underneath the canopy, line-overs can cause accidents.

The canopy should be laid out in a circular shape facing the wind so that all lines become tensioned evenly when inflating.

ATTENTION: NEVER TAKE OFF (START) WITH OPEN KARABINAS!

b. Check-list – pre-flight-check

Lay the glider out into a slight arc and check that:

- Canopy is dry and undamaged
- Cell openings are free of obstructions
- Risers are without damage and all stitching is intact
- Maillons on lines are closed correctly
- All lines are free from tangles or knots
- Brakes lines run freely through the pulleys
- Knots on brake lines are secure

After putting on harness check the:

- Position of reserve (rescue) handle and pins
- Leg loops and strap are fastened correctly
- Main Karabiners are closed

Before launch check that:

- Speed-system is connected correctly and runs smoothly through the pulleys
- Risers are not twisted
- Place brake handles in the hands and check brake lines are free
- Position pilot in centre of wing
- Check wind direction
- Check take off area is clear

- Check airspace is free from congestion

c. Take-off

The key to successful launching is to practice ground-handling on flat ground as often as possible.

The SuSi inflates easily and steadily using forward or reverse launch techniques. There is no tendency for the canopy to hang back during inflation.

d. Turning flight

You will notice the very precise handling from the first flight. The SuSi is easy to turn at any bank angle, from flat through to steeply banked turns. With little brake input the wing turns flat and therefore climbs well in thermals. With more input the glider becomes agile and more dynamic allowing radical manoeuvres to be made.

Brake pressure is progressive which enables the pilot to feel the wing and helps prevent unintentional stalling.

ATTENTION: PULLING THE BRAKES TOO FAST AND DEEP INCREASES THE RISK OF STALLING THE WING!

When entering an asymmetric stall (negative): the glider starts to slide into the turn. The inner wing stops flying, loses pressure and becomes soft. At this point the brakes have to be released immediately.

In the unlikely event that a brake line releases from the brake handle or breaks, the glider is manoeuvrable using the C-risers. By pulling gently on the C-risers it is possible to steer the glider and land safely.

e. Brake line length

The brake-line length of your new SuSi has been finely tuned by AirDesign test pilots and it should not be necessary to adjust it.

If you feel it is necessary to adjust the brake-line length to suit physical build, height of harness hang points, or style of flying we recommend you ground handle the glider before you test-fly it and carry out this process after every 20mm of adjustment.

There should always be free brake travel when the glider is flown hands-up. This means when you look at your brake lines in flight with your hands up, there should be a slight bow, or arc, to the line – the brake lines should not be tight. This is to prevent the brakes being applied when the speed-system is used.

Brake lines that are too short:

- May lead to fatigue from flying with your hands in an unnatural position
- May impede recovery from certain manoeuvres
- Will certainly reduce your glider's speed range.

Brake lines that are too long will:

- Reduce pilot control during launch
- Reduce control in extreme flying situations
- Make it difficult to execute a good flare when landing.

Each brake line should be tied securely to its control handle with a suitable knot.

Other adjustments or changes to your SuSi lead to a loss of warranty, airworthiness and validity of certification and may endanger both yourself and others.

If you have any suggestions for improvements let us know and our test pilots will try out your ideas in a controlled situation.

f. Active flying

Flying with a little brake applied equally will slightly increase the angle of attack and help to prevent deflations and allow the pilot to experience more direct feedback. This allows the pilot to feel the air and the glider which can help prevent collapses.

The aim of active flying is to keep the glider above the pilot's head in all situations by responding correctly to the glider's movements using the brakes and weight shift.

When entering a strong or rough thermal it is important that the glider is not too far back or able to enter a dynamic stall. To avoid this, it is often helpful to release the brakes slightly when entering, which gives the glider a little more speed. Equally, when exiting a strong climb it may be necessary to brake more to prevent the glider from diving forward.

g. Accelerating

The speed system on the SuSi comes supplied with 'quick hooks' ready to attach to a speed bar of choice. The complete speed system should be checked to ensure it runs smoothly by hanging in the harness before flying.

In particular, check that the speed system won't be engaged when in normal flight. Unnecessary knots and loops in a speed system are not recommended.

When pushing the speed bar the angle of attack of the glider is reduced. The glider speeds up but at the same time is more sensitive to deformation.

In spite of the exceptional stability of the SuSi, any accelerated collapse will be more dynamic than the same event experienced at trim speed and will require quicker reactions to maintain normal flight.

Always keep both hands on the controls when flying fast or in turbulence and be ready to release the speed system immediately at the first sign of a collapse.

When flying through strong sink or into a headwind it is useful to fly faster using the speedbar. Use the speed system carefully when flying close to the terrain and maintain enough height from the ground or other obstacles to recover in the event of a collapse.

DO NOT BRAKE WHILE FLYING FULLY ACCELERATED – THIS MAY RESULT IN A COLLAPSE OF THE WING.

h. Landing

The SuSi is despite its high speed easy to land and has good flaring characteristics. When being high loaded or in nil-wind conditions it is recommended to flare the glider well.

Attention:

After touching down do not allow the glider to dive overhead and fall in front of you. If the leading edge hits the ground hard the structure of the cell walls may become damaged.

i. Asymmetric and frontal collapses

As with any paraglider collapses can occur. "Active flying" as described in point "f" can help avoid deformations.

You should always maintain course and direction by weight-shifting away from the collapsed side. This can be reinforced by applying a small amount of brake on the opposite side to the deflation. If the collapse stays in, the glider can be re-inflated by pumping the brake on the collapsed side in a firm and smooth manner. Be aware that the brake travel is shorter when the glider is collapsed and the glider can stall with less brake input.

If you experience a big collapse while accelerated, the canopy will fall behind the pilot due to the difference in inertia between the pilot and the canopy. You must wait until you pendulum back under the canopy before dealing with the deflation. Reacting too early can risk stalling the glider completely. Release the speed-bar immediately if you have a big collapse during accelerated flight and, while keeping weight-shift neutral, apply slight brake to the open side. Let the glider enter a turn if space allows in order to avoid a spin or stall.

To assist in the reopening of a frontal collapse the pilot should pull both brakes equally at the same time. This also reduces the dive after the glider reopens.

NOTE: Pulling too much brake during a frontal collapse recovery can stall the glider or cause the glider to revert from the frontal collapse directly into a deep-stall.

NOTE: Due to the small size and high loading of the wing the reactions after deformations are more radical and faster than compared to a normal-sized wing.

j. Reopening a cravat

In extreme conditions it is possible that the wing tip(s) can become trapped between the lines. In general, this would happen only after a big uncontrolled collapse or during extreme manoeuvres.

If this cravat occurs, in the first instance use the techniques described for releasing asymmetric collapses.

If it fails to release, take hold of the stabilo line and pull hard towards yourself until the trapped section of the wing is released.

A full-stall should be the last option to reopen a cravat and is a manoeuvre for experienced pilots only and should be attempted only if there is sufficient altitude. At low altitude it is important to stabilise the rotation, if any, and if necessary use the reserve (rescue) if this is not possible.

k. Negative spin

We recommend that this manoeuvre is only carried out during a safety training course over water and under supervision. The intention in this situation is for a pilot to discover the point-of-spin and to control it. This demands a high level of experience and skill.

The longer the time between the glider entering a spin and the pilot attempting to recover, the more chance there is of it becoming out of control.

As the glider surges forward slow it down with the brakes to avoid the possibility of an asymmetric collapse. Always wait for the glider to be in front of you or above you when

releasing a fully deployed spin - never release the spin while the wing is behind you because the glider would dive very far in front of you or even underneath.

ATTENTION: This manoeuvre requires a lot of height and demands fast reactions and certain skills to recover. We do not recommend executing this manoeuvre.

I. Full-stall

This is an extreme manoeuvre that should rarely, if ever, be required.

To induce a full stall, pull both brake-lines down smoothly. Hold them down, locking your arms under your seat until the canopy falls behind you and deforms into a characteristic crescent shape. In spite of how uncomfortable it may feel as the glider falls backwards, be careful not to release the brakes prematurely or asymmetrically. If the brakes are released while the glider is falling backwards the surge and dive forwards is very fast and the glider may shoot in front and even underneath you.

In a full stall the canopy will oscillate back and forth. To stabilise this, the pilot can release the brakes slowly and for approximately 1/3 of the brake travel and then hold at this level. Holding at this position allows the wing to refill slightly across the span. When releasing the brakes without pre-filling the ears mostly will most probably hook in the lines and this can result in a cravat.

After pre-filling the glider stabilizes its movements and the brakes can be leased until the glider recovers speed and flies again.

ATTENTION: This manoeuvre requires a lot of height and demands fast reactions and certain skills to recover. We do not recommend executing this manoeuvre.

m. Rapid decent manoeuvres

i. Spiral

The spiral dive is an effective way of making a fast descent. During the spiral dive the pilot and glider will experience strong centrifugal forces which strain the glider. As such it should be considered an extreme manoeuvre. Due to the rapid height loss during a spiral, pilots must always take care that they have sufficient altitude before initiating the manoeuvre and that the airspace is free around the pilot.

Initiation: Weight shift and smoothly pull on one brake (the same side you are weight shifting into) so the glider goes from a normal 360-degree turn into a steep turn and from there into a spiral dive. Once established in the spiral the descent rate and bank angle can be controlled with weight shift and the releasing or pulling of inner brake. As the glider banks in front of the pilot maintain the spiral by keeping the brake pressure constant, at this point weight-shift can be neutralised. Descent is controlled by pulling more on the inner brake. A slight pull on the outside brake helps to keep the glider stable.

Recovery: The SuSi recovers from a spiral spontaneously as soon as the brakes are released and weight shift returns to neutral. To exit, allow the spiral to slow down for a turn or two by slowly releasing the inner brake. Once the glider starts to exit the spiral, control your descent rate and bank angle with weight shift and the outer and/or inner brake to prevent any strong climbs out of spiral. Always finish a spiral dive at a safe altitude.

The SuSi does not show any tendency for a stable spiral. That means the glider does not remain

in spiral after releasing the brakes. If the glider should, in rare cases, remain in a stable spiral the pilot should first weight-shift to the outside and then brake slightly more on the outside.

ATTENTION: In a stable spiral the G-forces are very high. Be aware that it may therefore require considerable more input and effort to recover from this state.

IMPORTANT SATEFY NOTICE! A pilot who is dehydrated and/or not accustomed to spiralling can lose consciousness during a steep spiral dive!

ii. B-line stall

This is an effective way of making a moderate to rapid descent but doesn't allow any forward speed.

Initiation: Take hold of the B-risers (both sides at same time) just above the maillons and slowly but smoothly pull them down, twisting your hands until the canopy shows a span-wise crease at the B-line attachment points and stops flying forward. It is difficult to pull at first but becomes easier as the airfoil creases. Your sink rate will increase while your forward speed will reduce to practically zero.

Recovery: Let go of the risers smoothly but determinedly and symmetrically, the glider will speed up and gain forward movement. The brakes are kept in your hands at all time during this manoeuvre. When exiting take care not to pull the brakes.

ATTENTION: IF THE B-RISERS ARE PULLED DOWN TOO MUCH THE WING MAY LOOSE ITS SPANWISE FORM OR THE TIPS COME IN FRONT OF THE CENTRE OF THE WING. IN THIS INSTANCE THE B-RISERS MUST BE RELEASED IMMEDIATELY.

iii. "Big-ears"

This is the easiest and safest technique for descent while maintaining forward speed.

Depending on how much of the wing-tip you deflate, 3m/s to 5m/s sink rate can be achieved.

While in big-ears your forward speed can be increased by using the speed system (pull in the A's first and then accelerate).

The tendency for the wing to collapse is reduced while flying with big-ears.

The SuSi can be steered with big ears in by weight-shift alone.

Initiation: Reach up high and take hold of the metal maillon (quick-link) of the "outer" A-riser on each side of the glider. Pull both sides down simultaneous. Hold them in firmly. The tips will fold in. Make sure the lines are pulled down equally on each side and your big ears are even.

Recovery: the ears might stay slightly tucked under but a gentle pump on the brakes will accelerate the opening.

iv. "Big-ears" with B-line

As an alternative to the "big-ears" done by the outer A-line it's possible to do "big-ears" with the outer B-line instead. Like this the tips make a partial B-stall which gives a very similar result compared by doing it with the A-line. To release just put the B-lines up again. The advantage by doing so is that the ears are more stable and have no tendency to shake. A disadvantage would be that the ears cannot be alternated in size. This manoeuvre works in trim speed as well when accelerated (pull in the B's first and then accelerate).

ALL RAPID DESCENT MANOUVRES SHOULD BE FIRST PRACTICED IN CALM AIR, WITH SUFFICIENT ALTITUDE AND WITH QUALIFIED SUPERVISION.

REMEMBER:

A wrong manoeuvre at the wrong time may change a straightforward situation into a dangerous problem. Extreme manoeuvres also expose your glider to forces which may damage it.

- Practice these techniques under qualified supervision preferably during a safety training course
- Before initiating a manoeuvre make sure that the airspace below is clear of obstructions or other pilots.
- During manoeuvres watch both the glider and altitude above the ground.

7. Maintenance and Repairs

The materials used to construct your SuSi have been carefully chosen for maximum durability. If you treat your glider carefully and follow these guidelines it will last you a long time. Excessive wear can occur by bad ground-handling, careless packing, unnecessary exposure to UV light, exposure to chemicals, heat and moisture.

Ground-handling

- Choose a suitable area to launch your glider. Lines caught on roots or rocks lead to unnecessary strain on the attachment tabs during inflation. Snagging lines may rip the canopy fabric or damage lines.
- When landing, never let the canopy fall on its leading edge. The sudden pressure increase can severely damage the air-resistant coating of the canopy as well as weaken the ribs and seams.
- Dragging the glider over grass, soil, sand or rocks, will significantly reduce its lifetime and increase its porosity.
- When preparing for launch or when ground-handling, be sure not to step on any of the lines or the canopy fabric.
- Don't tie any knots in the lines.

This glider will remain airworthy and in good condition for many years, if well cared for and packed correctly.

Packing the glider:

It is strongly recommended to concertina pack your glider by folding it rib onto rib, in order to preserve the shape of the leading edge and therefore help maintain inflation characteristics and performance.

The SuSi has nylon wire support in the leading edge which cannot break, but if packed badly (bending during packing) and stored for a long time may deform.

The AIRPack inner-bag can help you to pack easily and properly.

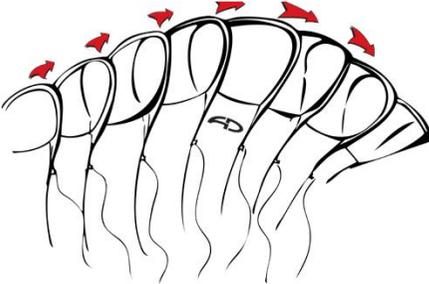
For details see the accessories section of the www.ad-glidern.com website.

Packing your AirDesign glider.

1. Lay the lines / risers / harness at the trailing edge of the wing. Collect the lines together and lay them as much as possible on top of the wing fabric. This protects the lines during packing and storage.

2. Starting either at one tip or at the centre of the wing, gather all the leading edge cell walls together so that the polyamide rods are side by side.

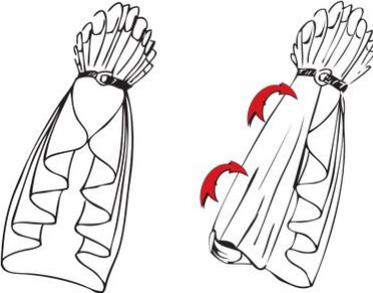
IMPORTANT NOTE: if you are packing the glider on rough ground, first gather the wing into a 'cauliflower' by pulling in the lines and then pack the leading edge. Dragging the canopy over rough ground will damage the fabric.



3. Lay the leading edge flat on the packing bag / Airpack and secure with the internal strap just below the end of the polyamide rods.

4. Adjust the packed leading edge to ensure all polyamide rods are flat against each other.

5. Fold the rest of the wing in from the tips on each side using the same concertina procedure and then fold one side half lengthwise on top of the other.



6. Fold the wing up from the trailing edge into 2 or 3 folds, removing excess air and making sure that the packed leading edge is kept flat and outermost. DO NOT fold the leading edge back inside the wing. This may damage / distort the polyamide rods.

7. For Packing bag - Undo the clip holding the leading edge in place and secure around the folded glider. Close the bag with the side clip and top drawstring.



Storage

- Avoid packing your glider when it is wet. If there is no other way, then dry it as soon as possible away from direct sunlight and heat. Be careful to avoid storing your canopy when damp or wet: this is the most common reason for canopy degradation.
- Do not let your glider come into contact with seawater. If it does, rinse the lines, canopy and risers with fresh water and dry it away from direct sunlight before storing.
- After flight or when storing, always use the inner protection sack (or AIRPack).
- When storing or during transport make sure your glider is not exposed to temperatures higher than 50°C.
- Never let the glider come into contact with chemicals. Clean the glider with clean lukewarm water only. Never clean using abrasives.
- For long-term storage do not pack the glider too tightly. Leave the rucksack zip open when possible to allow any moisture to evaporate.

Transport:

Some materials used in the construction of the glider are sensitive to temperature. Therefore, the pilot should ensure that the glider is not exposed to excessive heat. For instance, do not leave the glider in a car during hot summer days.

When packing to send by post use appropriate packing material.

Cleaning:

For cleaning just use only a soft sponge and clean water.

Do not use solvents, cleaners or abrasives.

Repairs:

Repairs must be done exclusively by the manufacturer, importer or authorised persons.

Use only original parts.

In case of questions please contact AirDesign directly.

Material wear:

The SuSi consists mainly of Nylon cloth.

This material does not lose much strength or become porous through exposure to UV radiation. However, despite this, the pilot should take care to not expose the glider unnecessarily to sunlight. Unpack shortly before take-off and pack the glider right after landing.

The SuSi is lined with unsheathed Aramid lines in the top- and middle cascades and with sheathed Aramid-lines at the main-lines. Take care not to stress any line mechanically. Overloading should be avoided as a stretching is non-reversible. Continuous bending of Aramid lines at the same spot weakens the strength.

When putting the glider to the ground avoid dirt and dust as much as possible. Dirt can get between the fibres of the lines which may shorten the lines and damage the covering.

When lines get caught during take-off, they can stretch or even break. Do not step on lines.

Sharp edges on the ground can damage the sheathing.

A brake line tangled around other lines can tear or cause damage.

Take care that no snow, stones or sand get into the canopy. The weight can pull down the trailing edge and slows the glider. In the worst case scenario, the glider can be caused to stall.

When launching in strong winds the canopy can, if not controlled, overshoot and hit the ground hard. This can lead to tears in the ribs or damage the sail or stitching.

When landing, avoid the leading edge hitting the ground in front of the pilot. This can damage the materials in the leading edge.

After landings in trees or water the line length must be checked. After contact with salt water wash the glider immediately with clean water.

Avoid contact between the fabric and sweat.

Do not pull the glider over rough ground; this can damage the cloth at the contact points.

Do not too pack the glider too tightly.

8. Checking the glider

Even with the best possible care each glider is subjected to a certain ageing which can affect the flying characteristics, performance and safety.

A thorough inspection of all components, including checking suspension line strength, line geometry, riser geometry and permeability of the canopy material is mandatory.

2-Years Inspection:

After **24 months or 150 flight hours** (whichever occurs first) the glider must be inspected. This check will be made by the manufacturer, importer, distributor or other authorised persons. The checking must be proven by a stamp on the certification sticker on the glider as well in the service book.

In the event that a glider is NOT checked according to this schedule, the airworthiness warranty of the glider is invalidated.

More information about servicing and inspections can be found in the document "Inspection Information" available on the AirDesign website www.ad-glidern.com

Ground-handling times must be multiplied by factor of 2 due to the greater contact with abrasive surfaces.

Respecting nature and environment:

Finally, we would ask each pilot to take care of nature and our environment. Respect nature and the environment at all times but most particularly at take-off and landing places.

Respect others and paraglide in harmony with nature.

Do not leave marked tracks and do not leave rubbish behind.

Do not make unnecessary noise and respect sensitive biological areas.

The materials used on a paraglider should be recycled.

Please send old AirDesign gliders back to us AirDesign offices. We will undertake to recycle the glider.

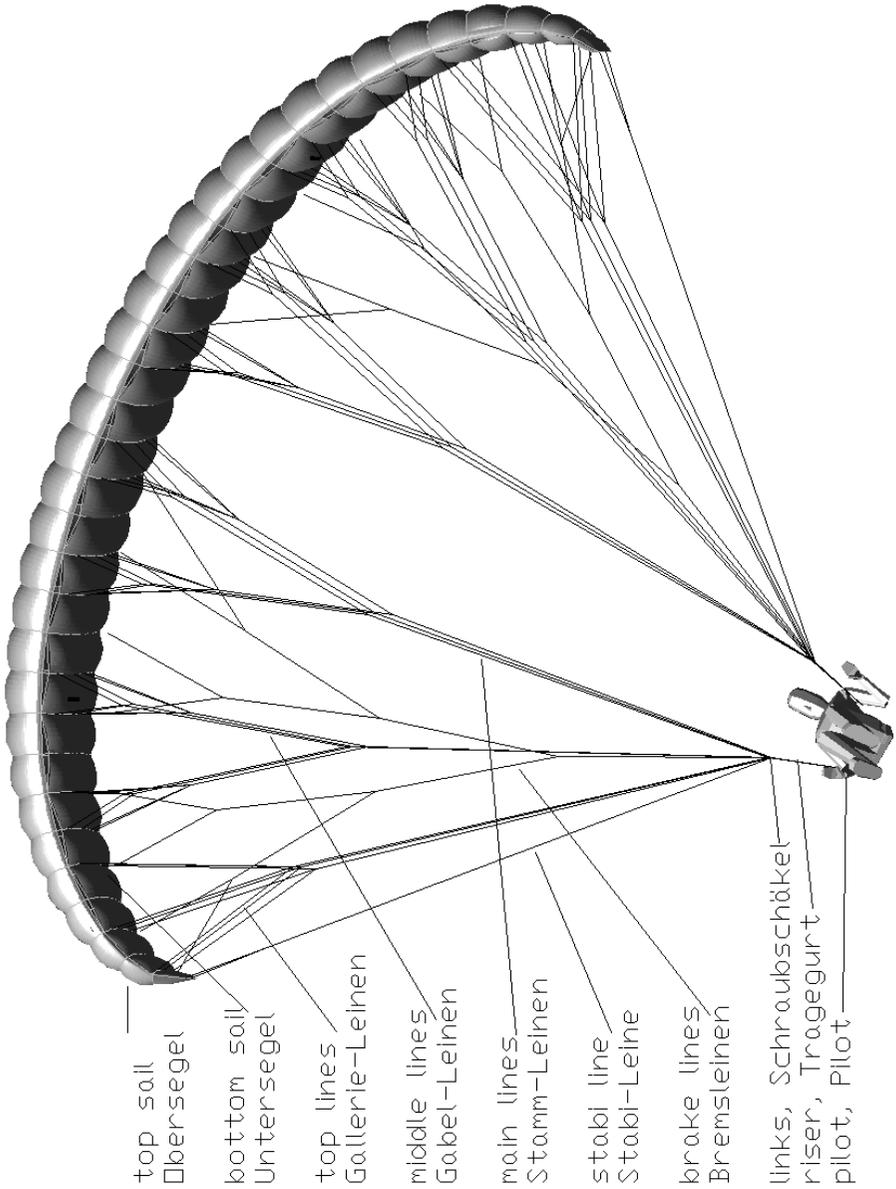
9. The Final Word

The SuSi will give you hours of fun and satisfaction in the air. We wish you lots of good flights. Treat your glider well and have respect for the demands and dangers of flying. Even the safest glider cannot help avoid a situation where a pilot misjudges the circumstances or makes errors. We ask all pilots to fly with care and to respect the national and international laws with regard to our sport.

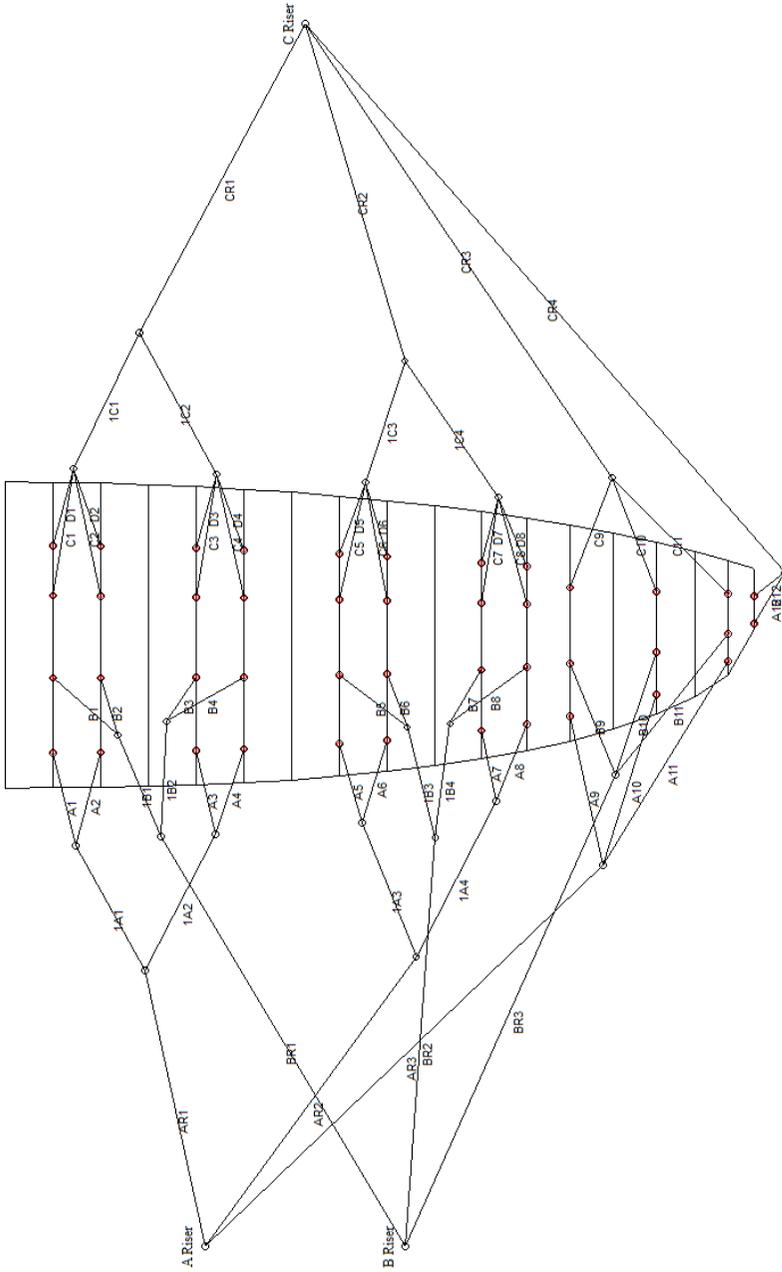
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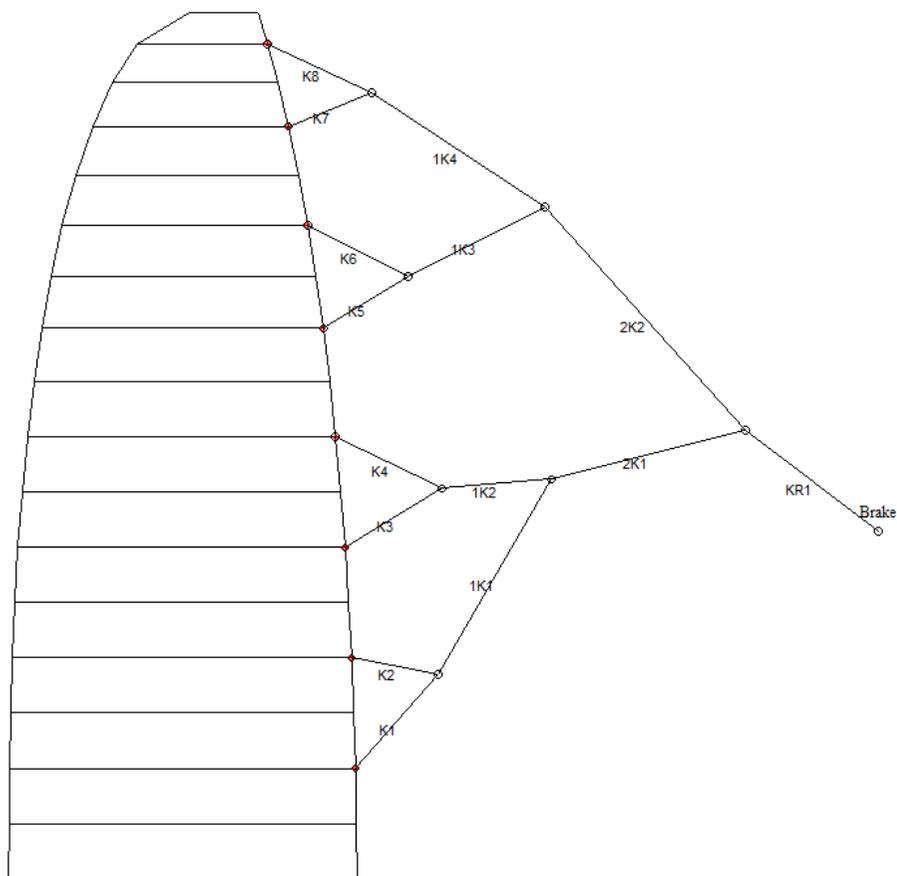
A. ANHANG - ANNEX

a. Übersichtszeichnung – Overview

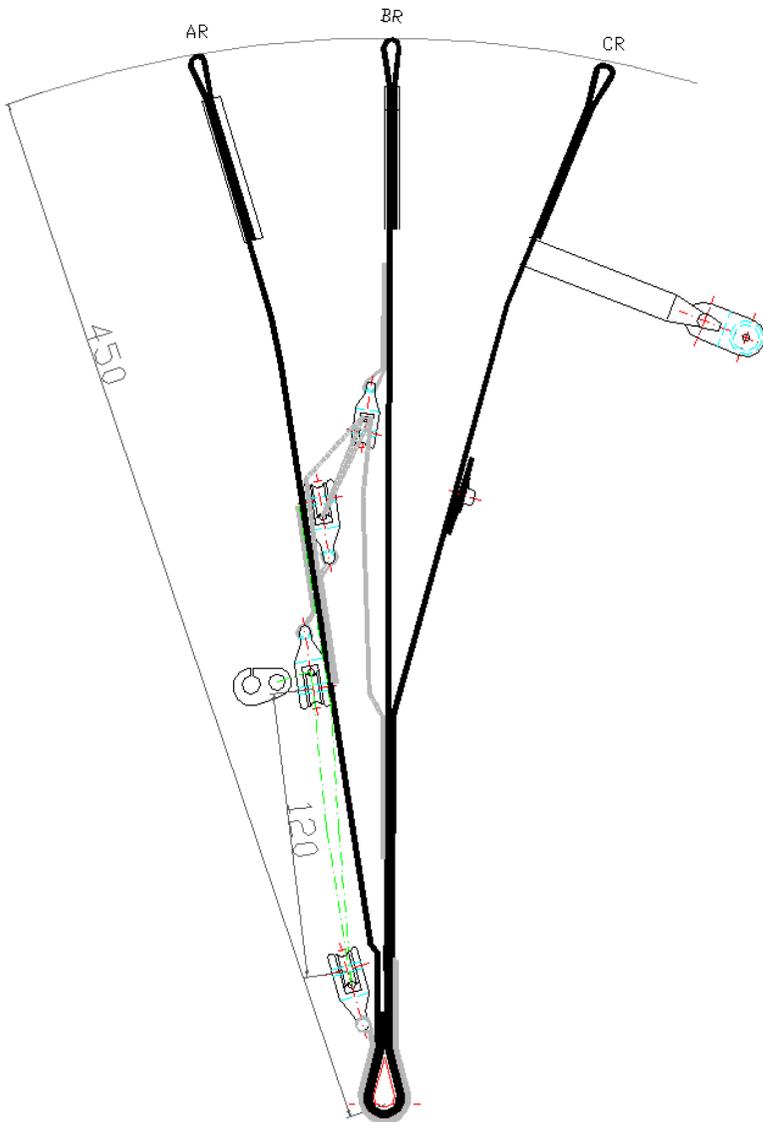


b. Leinenplan – line plan





c. Tragegurt - Riser



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 Linked Line Check Sheet

d. Leinenlängen – Line Length

	A	B	C	D	E	K
	Name	Name	Name	Name	Name	Name
1	A1 5415	B1 5370	C1 5450	D1	5560	K1 6195
2	A2 5370	B2 5325	C2 5405	D2	5515	K2 5915
3	A3 5355	B3 5315	C3 5390	D3	5500	K3 5790
4	A4 5390	B4 5350	C4 5425	D4	5525	K4 5690
5	A5 5365	B5 5325	C5 5395	D5	5495	K5 5620
6	A6 5335	B6 5300	C6 5365	D6	5460	K6 5590
7	A7 5310	B7 5280	C7 5345	D7	5430	K7 5535
8	A8 5330	B8 5310	C8 5360	D8	5435	K8 5535
9	A9 5235	B9 5215	C9 5305			
10	A10 5095	B10 5085	C10 5150			
11	A11 5000	B11 4980	C11 5000			
12	A12 4790	B12 4810				

B. Material – Materials

Segeltuch/Sail – standard version:

- Obersegel/Top Sail: Porcher Skytex 40
- Untersegel/Bottom Sail: Dominico 30D
- Rippen/Ribs: Dominico 30D hard

Leinen/Lines – standard version:

- Gallerie Leinen/Top lines: LIROS DSL70 - EDELRID 8000/U-090
- Gabel Leinen/Middle lines: LIROS PPSL120
- Haupt Leinen/Main lines: EDELRID 7343-280

Tragegurt/Riser: COUSIN 12mm Technora

Schraubschäkel/Maillons: 4,3mm JOO-TECH/Korea

C. SERVICE BOOKLET - SERVICEHEFT

Model: SuSi

Size/Größe: 16 18

Serial number/Seriennummer: _____

Colour/Farbe: _____

Date of purchase/Kaufdatum: _____

Date of first flight/Erstflug: _____

Pilot (1. Owner/ Halter)

First name/Vorname: _____

Family name/Nachname: _____

Street/Straße: _____

City/Wohnort: _____

Post code/PLZ: _____

Country/Land: _____

Telephone/Telefon: _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

Pilot (2. Owner/ Halter)

First name/Vorname: _____

Family name/Nachname: _____

Street/Straße: _____

City/Wohnort: _____

Post code/PLZ: _____

Country/Land: _____

Telephone/Telefon: _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

Pilot (3. Owner/ Halter)

First name/Vorname: _____

Family name/Nachname: _____

Street/Straße: _____

City/Wohnort: _____

Post code/PLZ: _____

Country/Land: _____

Telephone/Telefon: _____

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Email: _____

Please ensure that your Service centre signs after each check, here.

Bitte achten Sie darauf, dass Ihr Service-Betrieb nach jeder Inspektion abstempelt und unterschreibt.

Service 1

Date/Datum: _____

Type of service/Art der Serviceleistung

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Stempel - Unterschrift

Service 2

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Service 3

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Service 5

Date/Datum: _____

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Service 6

Date/Datum: _____

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D. Registry Of Product - Produktregistrierung

Model/Modell: SuSi

Size/Größe: 16 18

Serial Number/Seriennummer: _____

Date of Purchase/Kaufdatum: _____

First Flight/Erstflug: _____

Check Flight made from/Eingeflogen von: _____

Customer/Käufer:

Family Name/ Nachname: _____

First Name/Vorname: _____

Address/Adresse: _____

Tel: _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

Stamp of Distributor and Signature/Händlerstempel und Unterschrift

Product Registration: cut off and send to AirDesign, or register online at: www.ad-gliders.com
Produktregistrierung abtrennen und einschicken, oder online registrieren unter:
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