

### 3. Canoes

In ancient maritime history, the first boats are presumed to have been dugout canoes, developed independently by various stone age populations, and used for coastal fishing and travel. A dugout canoe is a boat made from a hollowed tree trunk.



Canoes were used for carrying goods, hunters, fishermen, and warriors. The craft varied in length from about 15 feet—20 feet.



The later model of a canoe is a flat-bottomed narrow canoe having flaring sides. The “sturgeon nose” type of canoe is canvas covered with a “ram” below the waterline.

