

GEAR AND GADGETS

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Suunto Combo Console

The Suunto Combo console enables you to create a personal combo according to your needs. The new combos consist of four main modules: the pressure gauge module, the instrument module and two different compass modules. The modules and instruments can be combined in numerous combinations and allow you to change or upgrade your configuration. CONTACT: (760) 597-5000, www.aqualung.com or www.sea-quest.com

AERIS Velocity Fin

This fin is based on the concept of three "power enhancing vents" cut into the middle of the blade, allowing water to flow through during the kick. When tested, we found that this reduces stress on the legs, while accelerating the flow of water over the blade. The overall result was an increase in the efficiency of each kick and a boost in speed. Contact: (510) 346-0010, www.diveaeris.com



Coco Cheznaynay Scuba Do Rags

Made of Spandex for its quick-drying and fabric-stretching qualities, Scuba Do Rags stretch over the head and allow you to tuck your hair under them. They're designed to be less constricting and more comfortable than diving hoods. And if long hair isn't a big concern, perhaps lack of hair is. The do rags provide protection from the sun while on the surface of the water and on the boat between dives. The colorful accessories also make divers easier to spot and identify, and are available in 12 colorful patterns, including Treasure Island and Swim Thru Bleu. Contact: (704) 372-5175, www.cococheznaynay.com

