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BOARDS
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TOP FIVE PIPE BOARDS

BURTON T6

Burton integrated its cushioning boot-derived technology (Smooth Ride) into a dampening role on the topsheet of the directional T6. The result is a board with an ability to go bigger and faster with less impact on your body.

Tester feedback:

"This board is effing gnarly—it gets you where you want to go."
"This was the funnest board yet for me."

Available sizes:
152, 156, 162, 164
\$800

CAPITA MHT

The redesigned directional twin has a radial sidecut but with a longer nose than tail. This design allows the board to enter and exit turns on the same arch with a smooth consistent turning radius, and the board is more versatile in varying conditions.

Tester feedback:

"It was pretty stiff, which was awesome in the pipe. The board felt really stable all around and was even fun on the jumps."
"Holds an edge great even through a kink in the pipe."

Available sizes:
152, 157, 161
\$369

GNU Danny Kass MTX (Dirty Habits)

This is Kass' main ride. The wavy Magne-Traction edges allow this board to hold an edge like a freeride board, but flex like a jib stick—it's a best-of-both-worlds scenario. The board is directional with a speedy sintered 9900 base.

Tester feedback:

"This board makes everything fun with perfect flex and pop!"
"It rode like a big board in the pipe and a little jib board everywhere else."

Available sizes:
153, 155, 158
\$460

LIB TECH TR5 MTX

The Travis Rice MTX (with Magne-Traction) comes in two shapes, the shorter boards (153 and 157) are in a park shape, while the two longer models will excel in the powder just like Travis, thanks to the "pointier" powder-specific shape.

Tester feedback:

"Good flex and great edge hold—sweet board for the pipe as well as all-mountain riding."
"This is a really fun board for all-around cruisin', the park, pipe—all of it."

Available sizes:
153, 157, 161.5, 164.5
\$490

PALMER Andy Finch

Honeycomb in the nose and tail lightens up this board and reduces swing weight for faster spins, while carbon reinforcements in the nose and tail add pop, durability, and support in landing. You've seen Finch shred—this is the board that doesn't break when he does.

Tester feedback:

"Good flex with lots of pop. The board was fast and stable."
"Really smooth from edge to edge—a really good ride."

Available sizes:
155, 159, 162
\$549