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One night we were just dreaming, the Crow and I. What if we could mutate? What would you find as a fun form if given an infinite choice? That's when 'Homoichthyaries Hawaiiana' was discovered lurking in our common genetic memories.



I quickly sketched the basic idea we discussed, and we laughed and rapped about their physiology, lifestyle, and capabilities. Then I went home and left Crow to his sleep (he was living in the loft). That night he drew a more advanced cartoon of our friend. Not long after, when he was back on Kauai, we got Tommy Cook, another cruising t-shirt artist, to finish her off with a solid shirt design.

This was the 'Custom Genetic Mutation' art that would lead into many other fun diversions, and become one of the signals that MauiSails was going to have ideas far into the future.

This was the T-shirt of the month ten years later in German Surf magazine. Can't even imagine where they got one then.

2007

This graphic was made by Artur Szpunar, MauiSails co-sail designer.

"I have always enjoyed doing surreal artwork with crazy creatures and morphing images. Around 1997, I created a number of 'dragon wing' sail graphic concept drawings, which attempted to make the sail look like it was part of an organic life form. When I came to work at MauiSails and saw the screen prints for the 'Mutate Now' T-shirts from the 80's, it was clear that we had some parallel ideas and I was inspired to do my own rendition of the Mutant."



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Artur Szpunar had this to say, "Beginning in Spring of 2011, our motivation for the first prototype was to test the shortest possible luff length that could be used for a 4.7, in the hopes it would help pull off cleaner wave 360's by reducing rotational inertia and avoiding the dreaded 'mast tip caught in the lip' scenario. As it turned out, this first prototype not only possessed the desired maneuverability and clearance, but the very compact outline and low center of effort gave it tremendous wind range. We were planing early while remaining very balanced, light, and controllable even when seriously powered. Starting from the first radical effort, it took several re-cuts and new prototypes to get the tension and outline perfectly balanced, but the result is magic. The new concept has proven itself in daily wave sessions in everything from rough, monster waves with howling, gusty winds to glassy surf with wind so light and offshore that you shouldn't be able to sail (but you still do). Feedback has been tremendous from everyone who tested the sails. The great thing is, not only do the light and middle weight wave rippers like it, but big guys like Micah are in love with a four-batten for the first time too."

The Mutant theme has a long history at MauiSails, spanning back 30 years to the "Custom Genetic Mutation" T-shirts of the 80's to some more recent art work and "dragon wing" sail concept drawings that Artur has been creating for the past 15 years. Revolution brings evolution. Mutate now, avoid the rush!

