



# Instructions for the Bell Tent UK Gazebo

Hello, and thanks for buying one of our unique Bell Tent Gazebos.



We have designed it to work both as a stand-alone structure and also to connect to the A-frame of several different sizes of Bell Tent ranging from 4m to 6m.

It has scalloped sides to allow the breeze to still get into it and your bell tent's open door. There are several hooks for hanging lights and an optional shorter centre pole to replace the front of the bell tent if you put it up on its own.



## How to put it up.

As mentioned above, you can either connect it to a suitable tent or have it as a free-standing structure.

Unpack the Gazebo and lay it on a dry piece of ground (or ideally on something to stop it from getting dirty.)

You should have:

- The Canvas Gazebo
- Some pegs
- Guy ropes
- A long pole that is threaded through the front of the Gazebo
- 2 x Centre Poles. One longer than the other.
- A bolt with a hand screw in it for locking the back of the Gazebo to a bell tent A-frame spike or the shorter Centre Pole.

Firstly, make sure the Canvas is the right way up with the hanging hooks underneath.



Then carefully thread the long pole through the front of the Gazebo. Once through, you can connect the clip on the strap, which goes along the floor at the front of the Gazebo, creating the arch.

Connected to a bell tent.



If you connect it to a bell tent, you first need to fully erect it, ensuring you allow enough space in front to accommodate the Bell Tent Gazebo.

Present the back of the Gazebo to the front of the Bell Tent and put the A-Frame spike through the eyelet in the middle of the rear of the Gazebo.

Now lock the Gazebo in place by putting the bolt on the A-frame spike and tightening the hand screw.

Once secure, gently pull the front of the gazebo away from the tent to get some tension. (If erecting it alone, you may need to peg out the arch before adding the longer of the two Centre Poles to the middle of the gazebo. If there is more than one of you, someone can hold the arch in place while another fits the longer of the two Centre Poles into the middle of the Gazebo.

Now it's time to peg out sides and guy ropes of the Gazebo symmetrically to avoid it looking wonky.

The two Guy Ropes at the rear of the tent can go along the roof of the Bell Tent and into the ground beside the Bell Tent to help secure the two structures together or go down the A-frame ridge.

Tension the Guy Ropes, and you're done!!

Many people then want to do the option of unpegging the guy rope on the Bell Tent in the middle Bell Tent door and tying it along the ridge of the tent to get it out of the way. The Gazebo will do the same job of keeping the Tent's A-frame vertical, and you remove the trip hazard.

Reverse the process when taking it down but do your best to keep the canvas off the ground if it's wet to avoid it getting marked by mud or grass.

## TOP TIP.

On our last outing with our 5m Bell Tent and the Bell Tent Gazebo, we found a great way of keeping the gazebo off the ground. Dismantle the front of the Gazebo while leaving the rear attached to the Bell Tent. Pull the long pole out and roll the Gazebo backwards over the bell tent. Then drop the Bell Tent onto its groundsheet as usual, with the Gazebo on top of it. You now have a nice clean surface to fold up your gazebo without getting it dirty!

## Putting the Gazebo as a Free-Standing Structure



It's pretty much the same process, except you use the shorter Centre Pole to hold the rear of the Gazebo up rather than the A-Frame of the Bell Tent.

You can use the securing bolt on that pole if you want, but it's not essential.

## WARNING!!

Be mindful that your Gazebo can act like a funnel or sail in high winds and could break or fly away in a storm.

It could even lead to your tent popping like a balloon if the wind is funnelling down the Gazebo and the front doors or the tent are left open. Use common sense and consider dropping the gazebo if things start to get really hairy, as a bell tent will weather the storm better if not attached to a potential sail.

## Enjoy!

We hope you get loads of enjoyment from your Bell Tent Gazebo, and feel free to send us some pictures of yours in action to [info@belltent.co.uk](mailto:info@belltent.co.uk)