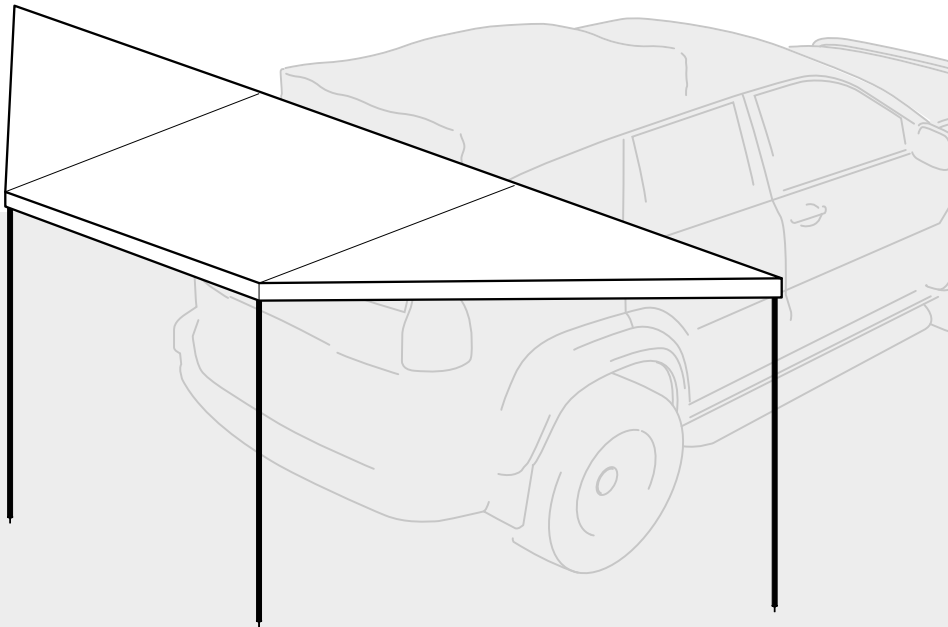


# ECLIPSE 180R COMPACT AWNING

## SET-UP & CARE INSTRUCTIONS



**CAREFULLY READ INSTRUCTIONS PRIOR TO FIRST USE OF THE ECLIPSE 180° REAR AWNING. IF YOU REQUIRE ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE, CONTACT YOUR DARCHE RETAILER, OR CALL DARCHE ON 1300 367 695**

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## GET TO KNOW YOUR AWNING

We recommend you check all parts are included prior to first use.

### ECLIPSE 180R CONTENTS

- |                                   |   |                  |
|-----------------------------------|---|------------------|
| 1 Eclipse 180R Compact Awning     | 4 25mm M8 mounting bolts and nuts             | 2 Tension straps |
| 2 Mounting brackets               | 4 Twist-lock leg poles<br>(2 in a canvas bag) | 7 Pegs           |
| 4 'U' Bolts with nuts and washers |   | 7 Guy ropes      |

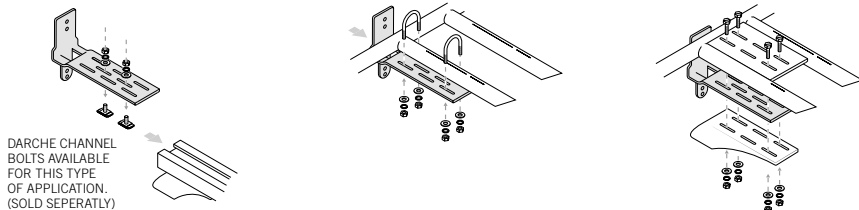
## ATTACHING BRACKET TO ROOF-RACK

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roof racks. The bracket can also be mounted on roof bars, however, additional specific attachments may need to be sourced from your roof rack supplier.

If in doubt, visit your roof rack specialist for specific roof rack mounting options and advice on load capacities.



Darche's Extended Bracket (325mm long) now available as a mounting option on platform style roof racks. (sold separately). Visit: [darche.com.au](http://darche.com.au) for specs and availability.

## ATTACH AWNING TO BRACKET

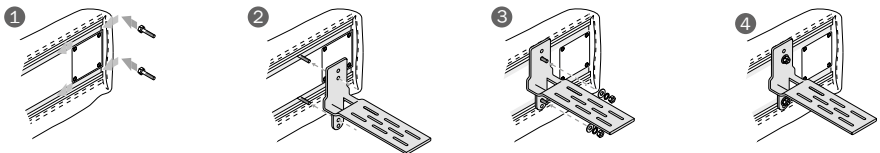
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Insert supplied 25mm M8 bolts into grooves in aluminium backing plate.



**!** PROLONGED TRAVELING ON UNEVEN ROUGH OR CORRUGATED TERRAIN WILL REQUIRE MORE FREQUENT INSPECTIONS.

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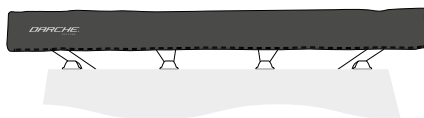
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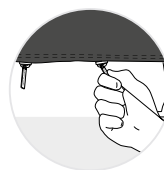
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### REMOVE COVER

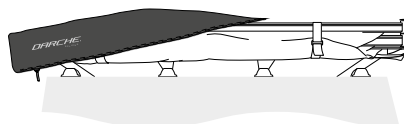
Unzip cover and fold it over the awning body.



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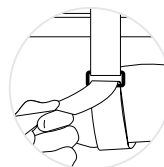


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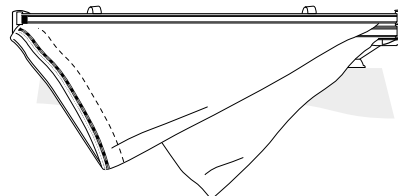
### RELEASE AWNING

Release the two hook & loop straps and allow canvas to drape.

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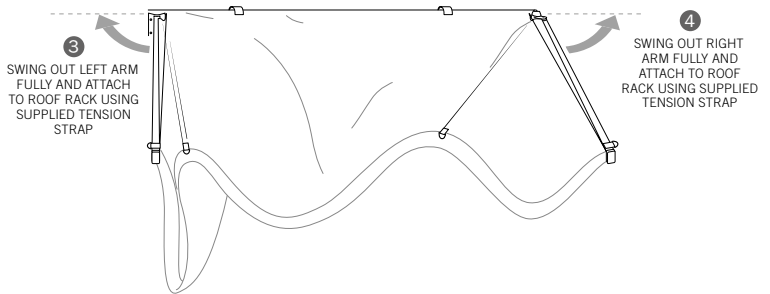
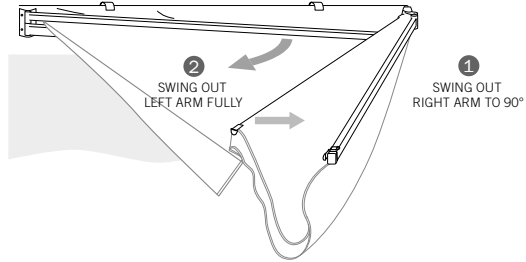
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### OPENING

To begin setting up the awning follow steps 1 to 4

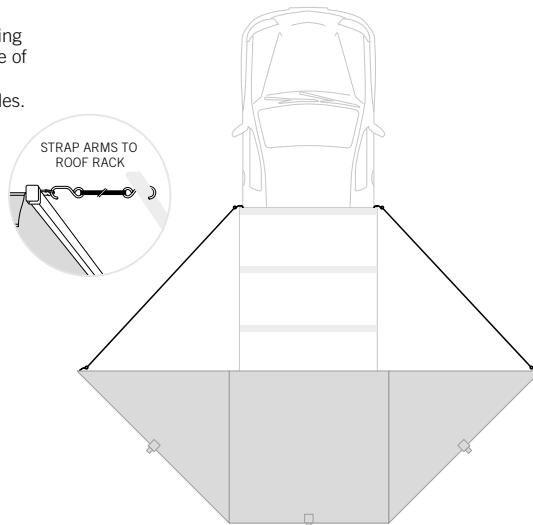
**TIP**

AWNING WILL SELF-SUPPORT DURING SET UP ONLY



### NOTE

The Eclipse 180R Compact Awning can also be positioned to the side of a vehicle. Allowing coverage of either the driver or passenger sides. (image not shown)



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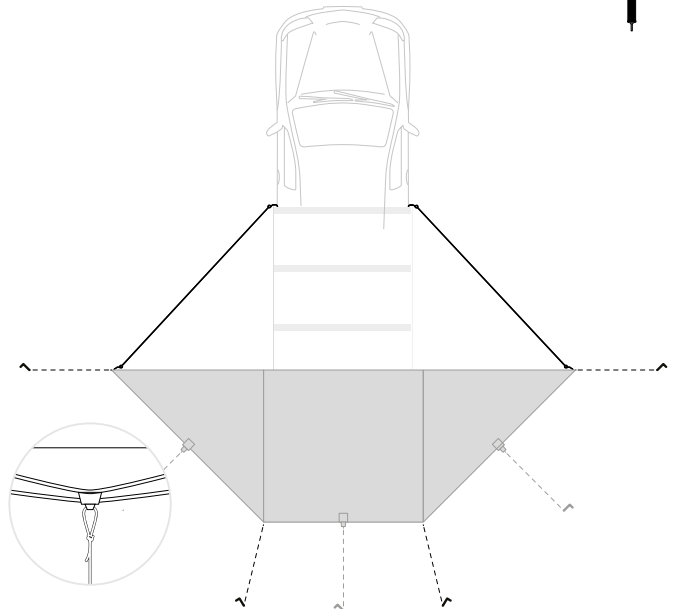
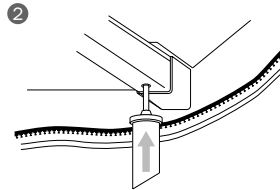
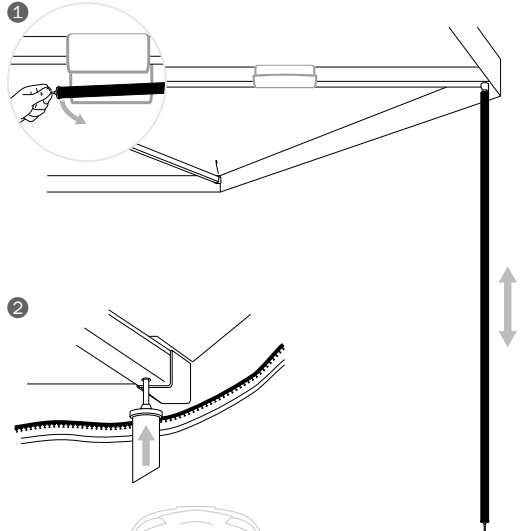
## SET-UP

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### POLE SET-UP

- Undo the hook & loop straps securing each support leg. Leg will pivot down to a vertical position. Adjust to desired height by unlocking and locking the internal twist locking mechanism.
- Attach 2 x additional support poles to 2 x remaining rafters by inserting spigot into holes at end of rafter.
- Secure the end of each rafter by anchoring and tensioning guy ropes.

**!** ENSURE ALL RAFTERS ARE SUPPORTED BY LEG POLES AND ALL GUY ROPES ARE ANCHORED SECURELY AT ALL TIMES WHEN USING AWNING.



**TIP** IN CASE OF RAIN, LOWER THE SUPPORT LEGS TO ALLOW DOWNWARD SLOPE AND GUY OFF BETWEEN RAFTERS TO FORM VALLEYS FOR WATER RUN-OFF.

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## PACK-DOWN

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- Undo all pegs / guy rope
- Fold away legs and stow away using attached hook & loop straps.
- Stow 2 x additional legs in canvas carry bag.
- Release front and rear tension straps.
- Fold the RHS of awning back 90° from the awning body ensuring the top rafters sit directly on top of the bottom rafters.
- Fold the LHS of awning back 90° from the awning body ensuring the top rafters sit directly on top of the bottom rafters.
- At this point fold the LHS of the awning toward the awning body followed by the RHS. Canvas should drape down in a triangular shape.
- Roll canvas and secure using the hook & loop straps.
- Position PVC bag over awning and zip up to complete pack down.

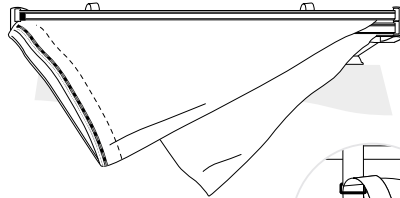
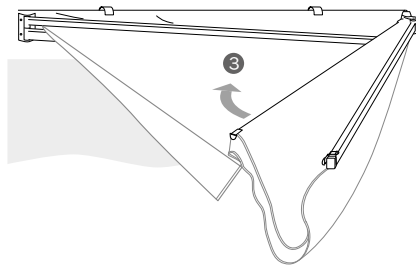
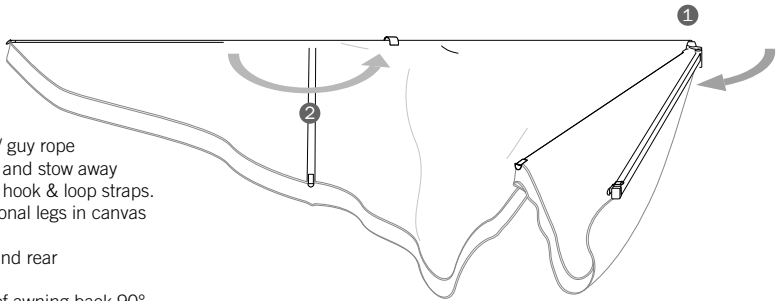


DO NOT STOW THE CANVAS CARRY BAG CONTAINING THE ADDITIONAL LEGS INSIDE THE AWNING'S TRANSIT COVER.

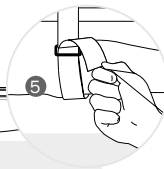
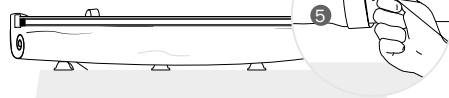


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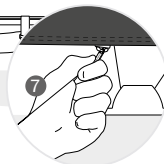
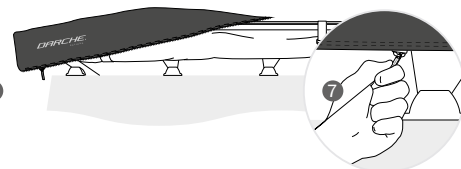
A LOOSE ROLL IS BETTER THAN A TIGHT ROLL. THIS WILL ALLOW THE CANVAS TO FOLD FLAT AGAINST THE AWNING MAKING IT EASIER TO ZIP UP THE TRANSIT COVER.



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## CARE INSTRUCTIONS

### CLEANING


Clean with cold water and a soft bristle brush. Do not use soaps and detergents. Do not expose to petrol, diesel, oils or chemicals of any nature.

### STORING

Correct storage is vital for the longevity of your Eclipse Awning. If on occasion the awning is required to be stowed wet, it is essential it is unpacked and dried as soon as possible. Rot, mildew damage and incorrect storage is not covered under warranty.

### STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY

The Darche Eclipse Awning has been designed for general camping use under normal conditions. Always ensure all rafters are supported by leg poles provided and all guy ropes are anchored correctly. It may be necessary to re-adjust guy ropes and pegs at times to maintain the structural integrity of the awning.

 **To avoid chances of personal injury and or property damage, Darche highly recommends the Eclipse Awning should NOT be erected during windy conditions.**

**Damaged caused by wind and or adverse weather will not be covered under warranty.**

### VEHICLE FITTING

Darche recommends using an experienced aftermarket 4x4 accessories fitter to mount the Eclipse Awning to your vehicle. Fasteners and fixing connections should be checked regularly on both the awning and roof rack to ensure the awning is always mounted securely to your vehicle roof rack.

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### WATERPROOFNESS

Darche has taken great care in its refined raw material selection, design and development of their tents and awnings in regards to waterproofness. With the use of water repellent coatings and High Frequency seam sealing, Darche have strived to eliminate water ingress as best as possible on its recreational tents, shelters and awnings.

Unfortunately with the addition of zips and multiple layer seams, wind driven rain may cause water to ingress at times. To minimise this, ensure all rain flaps are adequately covering the zips.

Seams connecting multiple layers of fabric could leak at times depending on weather conditions and location. A quick and easy solution is to rub a softened wax stick over the affected area.

### USING THE OPTIONAL WALLS

The zip on awning walls will provide a sheltered / protected area around the awning. When attached to the awning, they are designed to create a shaded area and help reduce dust.

**IN WINDY CONDITIONS IT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED NOT TO ERECT THE AWNING AND WALLS AS PERSONAL INJURY AND OR PROPERTY DAMAGE MAY OCCUR.**

## SAFETY WARNINGS

KEEP ALL FLAME AND HEAT SOURCES AWAY FROM THE FABRIC.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD ANY NAKED FLAME SOURCES BE USED NEAR THE AWNING.

KEEP CAMP FIRES AWAY FROM THE AWNING.

KEEP A LOOK OUT FOR ANY AIRBORNE BURNING EMBERS THAT MAY COME INTO CONTACT WITH THE TENT.

KEEP A FIRE EXTINGUISHER OR WATER BUCKET NEARBY.

DO NOT OPERATE ANY DEVICE WHICH BURNS FUEL INSIDE THE AWNING WHILE WALLS ARE ATTACHED.

KEEP EXITS CLEAR.

DARCHE RECOMMENDS FIXING ALL GUY ROPES AT ALL TIMES WHEN AWNING IS IN USE.

REMAIN CAUTIOUS AROUND GUY ROPES TO PREVENT INJURY.

ENSURE CHILDREN ARE SUPERVISED AROUND THE AWNING AT ALL TIMES.

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