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## Condor Overland Install and Setup Instructions

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# Welcome to the Flock!

## Let's get your rig sorted.

### A Note About Roof Racks

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- Roofnests are engineered to be mounted to two crossbars that are at least 30 inches apart. Platform racks can be used, but are not necessary and in some cases make installation trickier.

Please refer to the [platform rack installation guide](#) on our website for more information.

- On some makes of vehicles, the stock crossbars are too close to the roof to provide the clearance to install the mounting hardware. In these cases an after-market crossbar solution is recommended. Contact Sales with questions.

- You can always use [etrailer.com](#) as a great resource to find the perfect crossbar or [check out this article for more information.](#)



- The Roofnest Condor Overland weighs 165 lbs and your crossbars should be rated to support the weight of the tent by itself. Your crossbars have a weight rating which is the dynamic load rating (when your vehicle is moving at highway speeds) and can support 5-7 times this Dynamic Load rating when your car is parked. If your roof rack is rated to support the Condor Overland, it will have no problem supporting you and your friends sleeping in the tent - just don't go driving on the highway with your friends in the tent!

## Parts List



- One mounting kit with:
  - o 4 Flat Brackets
  - o 8 M8 Bolts with 8 Lock Nuts  
(if needed, replacements can be found at your local hardware store)
  - o 8 Aluminum Mounting Plates
  - o 1 13mm Ratcheting Wrench
- 2 Latches
- 6 Metal Awning poles and storage bag
- Sand Free Mat
- USB LED Light Strip
- Two multi-functional pockets (great for storing shoes and dirty items)
- Gear Grid
- Roofnest Privacy Tent

The mounting hardware included with your tent works for 95% of roof racks out there. If your crossbars are bigger than standard dimensions you will need to purchase separate mounting hardware.

**CONTACT OUR SUPPORT TEAM AND WE CAN SUGGEST SOME OPTIONS.**

## Pre-Install

### Closure Latches

- We recommend installing your closure latches on the sides of your tent (facing the front and rear of your vehicle), towards the opening side of the tent.
- Slide the rectangular nuts into the t-grooves as shown and position the closure latches about 8-10" in from the corners. You may find that a "ball-end" allen wrench works best.



**NOW YOU ARE READY TO INSTALL YOUR CONDOR OVERLAND ONTO YOUR CAR.**

# Installation Instructions

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We highly recommend referring to our installation video [here](#).



## Step 1

- Lift the tent onto your crossbars (you'll need a friend or two). The Condor Overland can be installed to open on either side of the vehicle. Most of our customers prefer the tent to open on the passenger's side.
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## Step 2

- Make sure the tent is positioned approximately where you want it. Typically, if it looks right- it is! For SUVs and hatchbacks, open your trunk and push the tent back until it just misses touching the open trunk. This allows you to be sure the tent won't interfere with your trunk's operation.
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## Step 3

- Prepare your mounting sets. [Here is a helpful video from one of our customers.](#)



- a. Insert an M8 bolt into a mounting plate (tracks facing up) and then attach a mounting U bracket (concave pointing up). Then attach a hex head bolt a little less than half way up. Repeat three more times.
  - b. Prepare four M8 bolt and plate sets by connecting an M8 bolt to a mounting plate. Repeat three more times.
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## Step 4

- With your 4 original mounting sets with the U Bracket, slide each into the mounting track, followed by your M8 bolt and plate set. Repeat for each corner of the tent.



Step  
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- Start at the front or back with a partner and lift the front or back up to slide the mounting set to the inside of your crossbar as shown. Repeat for each corner.

Step  
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- Connect the mounting sets together by inserting the dangling M8 bolt through the mounting U bracket and finger-tighten a nut onto the M8 bolt. Repeat for all four corners.

Step  
7

- Tighten the nuts evenly and snugly making sure that before you do a final tightening of the nuts that you have your Roofnest lined up on your vehicle's roof exactly where you want it. The bottom brackets around the crossbars will start to bend when your hardware is properly tightened.



**IMPORTANT: BE SURE TO CHECK THE HARDWARE AFTER 10-20 MILES OF DRIVING TO ENSURE IT IS STILL SNUG. REPEAT PERIODICALLY.**

- The bolts included are M8 1.25 hex head bolts, if you want shorter or longer mounting bolts they are readily available at most hardware stores.
- If your crossbars are too tall for the included mounting hardware you can quickly contact our support team via email at [support@roofnest.com](mailto:support@roofnest.com)

# Setting up the Condor Overland

## Step 1

- Undo both latches and lift the edge of the shell until the gas struts take over.

## Step 2

- Grab the bottom of the ladder and pull it towards you until it is fully extended and locked.



## Step 3

- Use the ladder to open the floor by pulling down on the end of the ladder and pulling it towards you until the tent floor is unfolded and fully extended.



## Step 4

- Adjust the height of the ladder by collapsing ONLY the upper rungs so that the bottom of the ladder is touching the ground.

## Step 5

- The ladder should be at roughly a 70-degree angle and support the floor of the tent so that both sections of the floor are level. If you need to adjust the height of the ladder, make sure that all lower rungs are fully extended and only the upper rungs are collapsed.

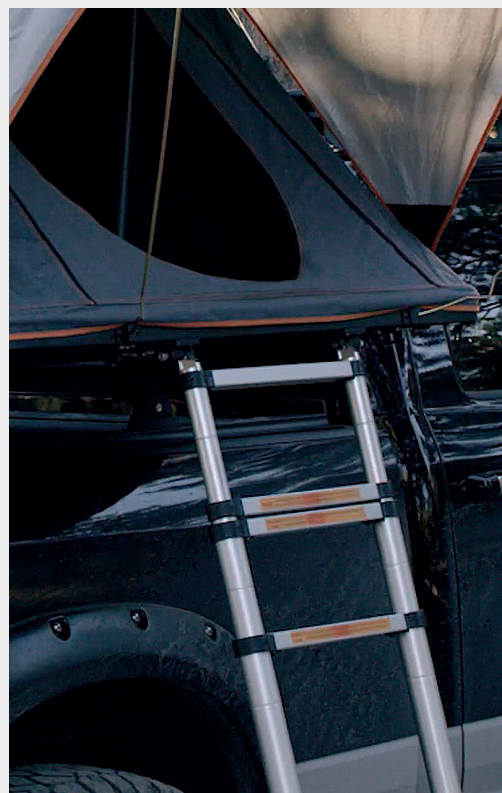






#### AN IMPORTANT NOTE ON OPERATION OF THE LADDER:

- When you extend the ladder, make sure you extend all the rungs fully so they are locked. If you need to shorten the ladder, only collapse the very upper rungs – do not collapse the lower rungs to shorten the ladder. This will ensure that the ladder is safely locked so that climbing the ladder to get in the Condor is stable and safe.
  - Make sure you don't have any bounce in your ladder. If you do, this means it has not been properly locked and you need to make sure you are locking the rungs from bottom to top.



## Setting up the Awning at Door and Windows

Your Condor Overland is shipped with 6 awning rods. Each time you set up your Condor Overland you'll most likely want to add the rods to the front of the tent where the door is but the window awning rods are optional.

Step  
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- Insert the Awning Pole into the small hole in the metal banding of the lower shell near the edge of one door. The pole goes in at a **STEEP** angle.
  - make sure the pole is fully inserted
  - you may have to twist the pole.



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- Insert the hook into the grommet at the bottom corner of the canvas door. It will feel like you are bending the pole – the tension is what keeps the awning extended.



# Accessory Channels

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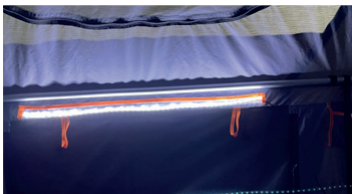
Accessory Channels on all four sides of the top and bottom shell allow you to attach anything to your Condor Overland like lights, awnings, showers, etc (weight limit per channel is 50 lbs and the more spread out the attachments the better).



You can attach things to the channels using the rectangular nuts (M8 1.25 threads) or buy M8 1.25 hex head bolts which slide directly into the channels which fix the bolt head.

# LED Lights and Strut Locks

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Your Condor Overland comes with an LED lighting strip over the door on the inside of the tent.



The USB plug on the dimmer cable must be plugged into a USB battery pack such as you would use to charge your cell phone.



# Closing the Condor

## Step 1

- First take down any awning rods from the door and windows.

## Step 2

- Using the ladder, fold the extension floor back into the tent.

## Step 3

- Collapse the ladder by pressing the black tabs on the rungs and compressing the rungs back to the top of the ladder.

## Step 4

- Fasten the elastic cord that holds the tent material in to both sides of the tent.

## Step 5

- Pull the black webbing strap towards you to fold down the shell.



## Step 6

- When the shell is almost closed, stuff all the tent material back under the shell.



## Step 7

- Close the shell fully and fasten the latches.



Be sure to keep the tent material out of the hinges and cover your ladder to protect the inside of the tent.





**NOTE: THE RECOMMENDED SPEED LIMIT WITH THE CONDOR OVERLAND  
ON YOUR VEHICLE IS 75 MPH.**

**Driving speed should always be adjusted according to the current driving conditions  
– please use caution on your first few drives with the condor on top and always remember to  
check the mounting hardware.**









## Thank you so much for being a Roofnest customer!

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