



Model 6173 OWNER'S MANUAL



10 x 10 ft. Cabin Lodge Tent

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Important! For safe and proper assembly, use, and care, read and follow all instructions. Everyone who uses this tent should first read this manual.

WARNING

No Fire

This tent is flammable. Keep all flame and heat sources away from the tent fabric. Never place a stove, campfire, or any other flame source in or near your tent. Never use, light, or refuel a stove, lantern, heater, or any other heat source inside your tent. Death by carbon monoxide poisoning and/or serious burns are possible.

Ventilation

Maintain adequate ventilation inside your tent at all times. Death by asphyxiation is possible.

Anchor

This tent is not free-standing. If not properly anchored, it will collapse. Always anchor your tent properly to reduce the risk of loss or injury to the tent or occupants.

Campsite Choice

Carefully consider the possibility of falling rocks or tree limbs, lightning strikes, flash floods, avalanches, strong winds, and other objective hazards when choosing a campsite to reduce the risk of loss or injury to the tent or occupants.

Children

Do not leave children unattended inside a tent or camp.
Do not allow children to assemble or disassemble the tent.
Do not allow children to remain closed-up in a tent on hot days.
Do not allow children to swing on, or hang from any part of this tent.

Failure to follow these warnings may result in injury and/or death.

Before You Set Out

You should assemble this tent at least once before your trip to familiarize yourself with the process, and make sure all the parts are in good working condition.

Kodiak Canvas Limited Lifetime Warranty

This product is warranted, to the original purchaser, to be free of defects in materials and workmanship for as long as you own the product. This product is made with quality materials and expert workmanship but is not indestructible. This warranty does not cover damage attributed to or resulting from normal wear and tear (e.g. exhausted zippers), natural hazards (e.g. weather, animals), abuse (e.g. mold, mildew, burns, ultraviolet), or alterations or modifications of any kind. If your product is found defective, we will repair or replace it free of charge. Charges for shipping your product to Kodiak Canvas will be your responsibility. We reserve the right to make substitutions if parts are unavailable or obsolete. If your product needs repair beyond what is covered under warranty, we will provide parts and service at a reasonable charge.

This warranty gives you, the original purchaser, specific legal rights. You may also have other rights which vary from state to state. **Do not return your product until you have received authorization and instruction to do so.**

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Component Check List

Identify all components and make sure they are in good condition and working order.

Description	Quantity
Side Upright Pole	6
Main Upright Pole	2
Ridge Pole	1
Center Support Pole (Optional, Sold Separately)	0
Tent Body	1
Tent Storage Bag	1
Pole Storage Bag	1
Stake Storage Bag	1
Guy Ropes (standard)	10
Long Guy Ropes	2
Tent Stakes	20
Clip-on Bag for Smoke Alarm / Guy Rope Storage	1

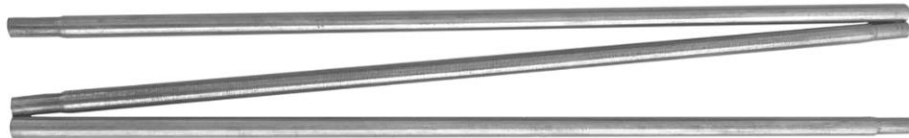
1. Side Upright Pole



2. Main Upright Pole



3. Ridge Pole



4. Center Support Pole (Optional,
Sold Separately)



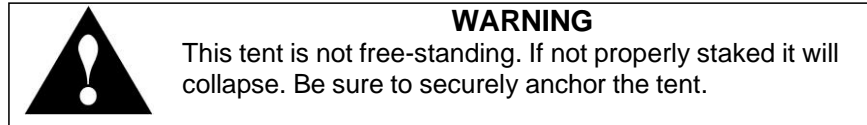
Fig. 1 Tent Poles

Assembly Instructions

The use of protective gloves and eyewear is recommended during assembly. At least two adults are required.

Step 1 - Stake the Tent

Stake each of the tent's four corners, making sure that the tent is taut (but not too tight) and square. Continue to place a stake through each of the remaining stake loops. *Tips: 1) A rubber mallet works best for driving these stakes. 2) Staking opposite diagonal corners first helps square the tent. 3) Drive in stakes with the tip angling toward the tent. Secure the hooks on the end of the stakes over the tent loops. 4) In soft sand or snow, use a dead-man anchor. **Make sure that the anchor is secure.***



Step 2 - Install the Ridge Pole

Join the Ridge Pole, then slide it through the sleeve in the center of the tent roof. *Tip: Stretch sleeve out so it is straight. Gently insert pole—don't force.*

Step 3 - Install the Main Upright Poles

This step requires at least two adults. Join the Main Upright Poles and connect them to the Ridge Pole. The black webbing strap should pass over the top corner of the Upright Pole passing between the two posts (see figure 2). With a person on each Main Upright Pole, raise the poles at the same time into upright position. Attach a long guy rope to the top of the Main Upright Pole as shown, and secure with a tent stake. Extend the telescoping Main Upright Pole until the tent is taut.



Fig. 2 Main Upright Pole Connecting to Ridge Pole

Place the bottom of the Main Upright Pole over the D-ring at the edge of the tent while inserting the locking pin into the pole.

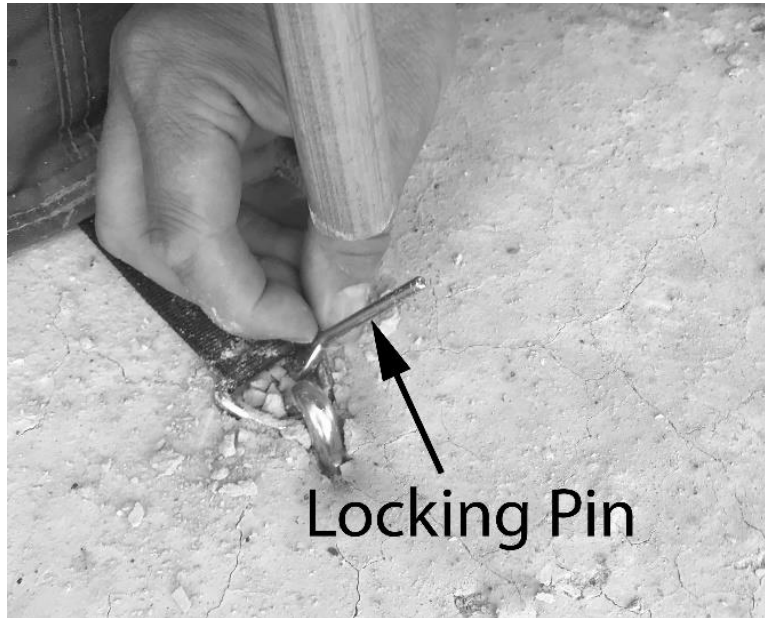


Fig. 3 Locking Pin

Step 4 – Install the Side Upright Poles

Insert the tip of a Side Upright Pole through the metal ring at each corner. Insert the bottom of the Side Upright Pole into the locking pin. Secure by placing a guy rope loop (make loops by tying a small overhand knot) over the top of the tip of the pole and then staking out. Use two guy ropes on each corner. See *step 5 on page 9*. Thread the guy ropes through the slide buckles on the Storm Window before you tie the loops.



Fig 4. Side Upright Pole at Corner

Next, install the remainder of the Side Upright Poles in the same manner. Figure 5 represents a top-down view of the tent. The dashed lines represent proper guy rope position.

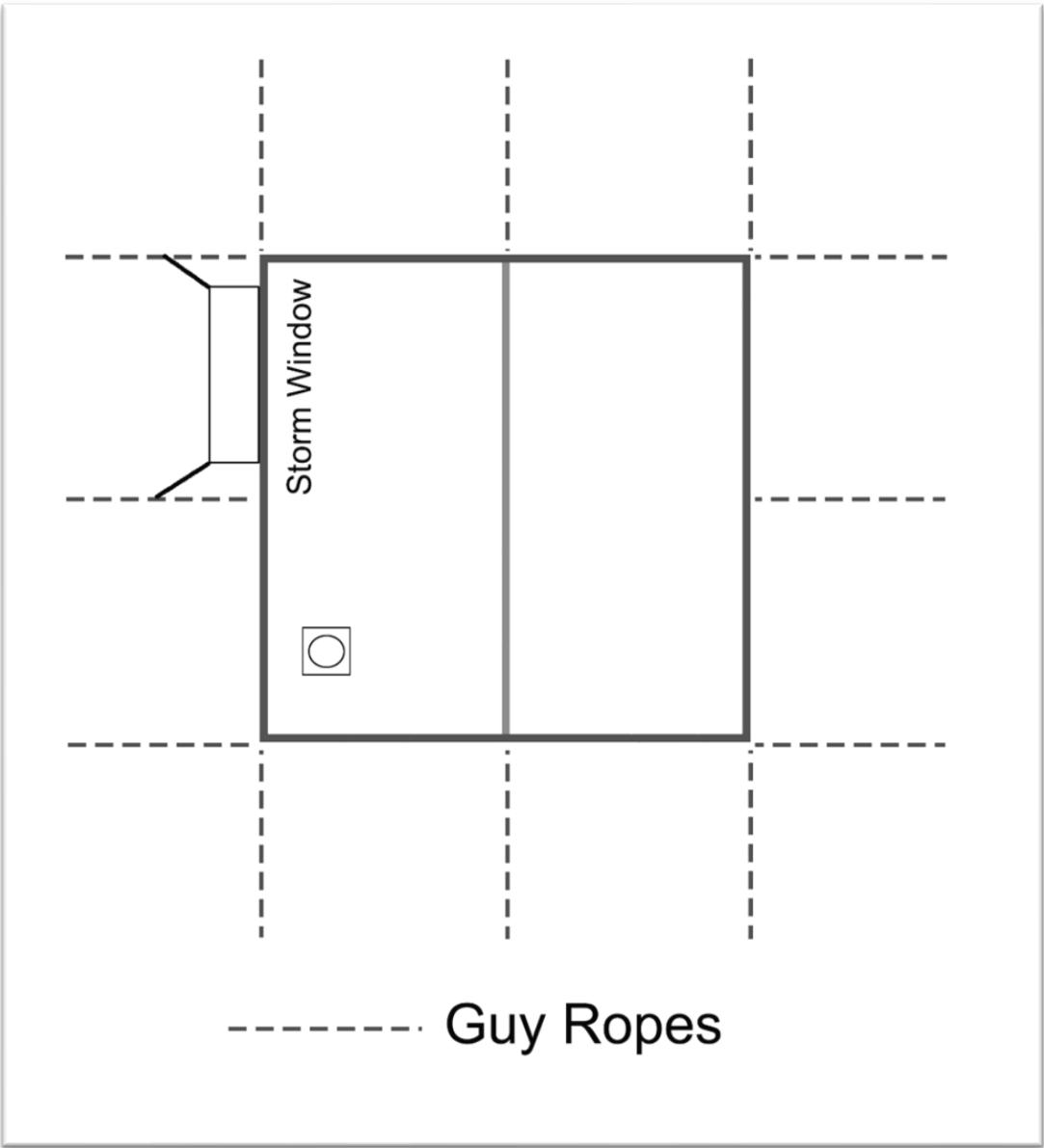


Fig. 5 Guy Rope Placement Diagram

Step 5 – Secure Upright Poles and Storm Window.

Secure the Upright Poles to the tent walls with hook and loop (similar to Velcro®) tabs.

Secure the storm window to the corresponding guy ropes (see Figures 5 and 6). First pass guy ropes through the holes on the slide buckles. Adjust slide buckles, and storm window straps to hold storm window flap.

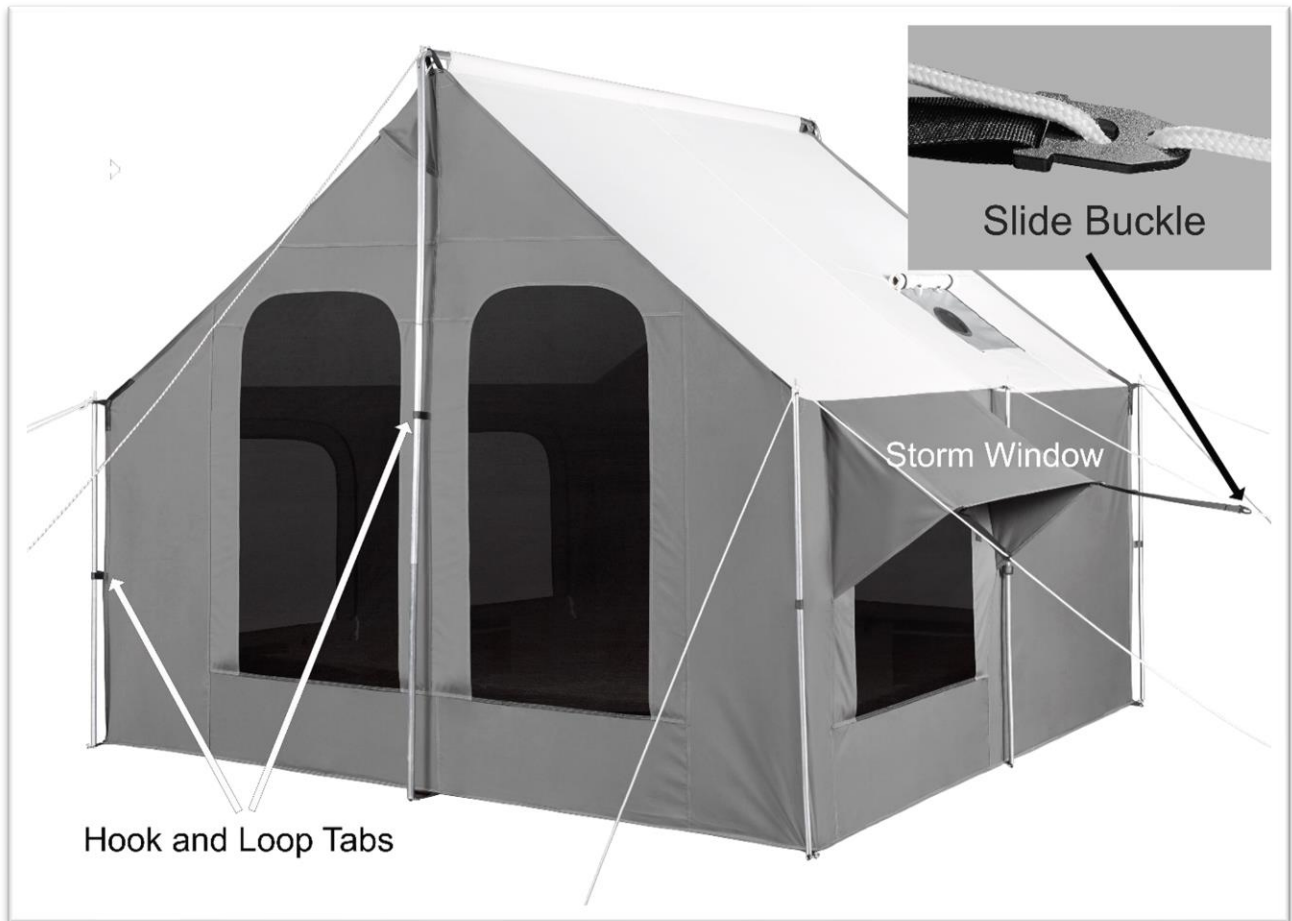


Fig. 6 Storm Window

(Optional) Install the Center Support Pole—Sold Separately.

The purpose of the Center Support Pole is to provide added support to the roof in snow or windy conditions. This tent will handle significant snow and wind without the Center Support Pole. Unless you want extra security in extreme conditions, this accessory is not needed. Center Support Pole (Part Number 100267).

To install, place the ends of the T through the loops (inside center ceiling). Extend the telescoping pole until taut, and hand tighten thumbscrew. *Tips: Don't overextend pole—it just needs to gently push into the ceiling. To take down, first lift pole to remove tension on thumbscrew, then unscrew.*



Fig. 7 Center Support Pole Installation

Take Down and Storage

First, dry and clean out tent. Make sure your tent is completely dry. Zip down the windows, open the door, let the tent air out to dry the inside. Sweep clean of any dirt or debris. Collapse the tent and remove all the poles. Wrap and neatly store the guy ropes. *Tips: 1) This tent has a lot of guy ropes. Save yourself the frustration of a tangled guy rope mess. Wrap guy ropes, store them in the provided smoke alarm bag. 2) If you have to break camp when the tent is wet, that is okay. Just be sure when you get home, to unroll, open up, and dry out. The sooner the better.*

Care

- **VERY IMPORTANT**—Your tent must be completely dry before storage! **STORING A WET OR DAMP TENT, EVEN FOR A SHORT TIME, CAN RUIN IT AND VOID THE WARRANTY.**
- To clean tent, hose down with water and wipe with a cloth. Do not use soaps and detergents as they can damage the water-repellant treatment of the canvas.
- Do not spray insecticides or bug repellent directly on the canvas. This may damage the water-repellant treatment.
- For long-term storage, store in a cool, dry location that is not exposed to direct sunlight.
- This tent is equipped with quality zippers. To prolong zipper life, do not grind the zippers around corners. If needed, pull the canvas, windows or doors to help zippers glide smoothly. Keep them clean from dirt.
- You should rarely have to retreat the canvas. See Waterproofing below.

Other Notes

- Condensation inside the tent is affected by the difference between inside and outside temperatures and humidity. Condensation can be reduced by venting your tent. Condensation between the floor and a sleeping mat can be reduced by placing a ground cloth underneath the tent.
- Some slight irregularities are normal with 100% cotton canvas and will not affect the performance of your tent.

Waterproofing

When your tent gets its first wet storm, you may get a few drops of water inside—don't fear.

This first, good wetting “seasons” the canvas. The water causes the canvas to shrink slightly, closing the needle holes where the canvas was stitched. After that, you should be watertight.

The canvas on your tent has a special Hydra-Shield™ treatment that is watertight yet breathable. This waterproofing is very durable—if it ain't leaking, don't treat it. Your expectation should be that this tent will be completely dry inside even during drenching rains. On occasion, a tent will experience some leaking. If this occurs, it is an easy fix. Treat the affected area with a *SILICONE* based waterproofing such as Kiwi Camp Dry®. This should take care of any leaks, and you should rarely have to retreat. Caution: Do not use other kinds of waterproofing such as Canvak® on this Hydra-Shield™ canvas, as it could clog the tiny pores in the canvas, eliminating its breathability.

Snow

This tent is rated for snow and winter camping. Snow sticks to the roof of canvas tents. It does not shed (slide off on its own). The tent may need to be cleared of snow multiple times a day during heavy snowfall. If the roof is sagging, clear the snow. Don't allow heavy accumulations of snow to remain on your tent for extended periods of time, as this can damage the tent canvas and frame.

Using a Wood Burning Stove



WARNING

This tent is flammable. Serious injury, carbon monoxide poisoning, asphyxiation, burns, and death are possible.

This Kodiak Canvas, Cabin Lodge tent is equipped with a stove jack for use with a wood burning stove. **Extreme caution should be used when using a wood burning stove!** Carefully read and follow these important safety guidelines.

- 1) Your tent fabric is made of cotton canvas. The canvas is flammable and can burn if it comes in contact with a flame, hot stove, stovepipe, or embers.
 - a. Only use an approved wood burning stove and stovepipe (see page 12).
 - b. Use a spark arrester on the stovepipe.
 - c. Secure the stove jack flap so it does not unroll and come in contact with hot stovepipe.



Fig. 8 Stove Jack Flap in Secured Position

- d. Only burn firewood. Do not use gas, lighter fluid, or other types of fuel.
 - e. Don't allow the tent wall to come in contact with the stove.
 - f. Keep objects such as bedding, clothing, firewood, etc. a safe distance from the stove.
- 2) A stove will consume oxygen. Make sure to leave a window, vents, and/or a door open when the stove is burning.
 - 3) Control the stove heat. Do not allow stove or stovepipe to become orange or red hot. Minimize fuel and use dampers to control burn. Do not use wood types, or oversized fires that cause hot embers to emit from the stovepipe. Damage caused by embers, or excessive stove or stovepipe heat is not covered by the warranty.
 - 4) Use a non-flammable stove mat, or barrier underneath your stove (see Kodiak Canvas model number **1577 Stove Mat accessory**). This is to prevent a hot ember from falling out of stove onto the tent floor. Alternatively, you could cut an adequate semi-circle opening in the tent floor. This could be folded under when using a stove.
 - 5) Use a battery-operated, combo carbon monoxide / smoke detector (sold separately). Your tent is equipped with a clip-on, holder bag for the alarm. Place the alarm into the bag and clip the bag to the center of the ceiling inside the tent. Follow the alarm manufacturers' instructions.
 - 6) Keep a working fire extinguisher accessible inside the tent when a stove is in use.
 - 7) Someone should always tend to a stove that is hot and in use. This person should be a competent adult that is awake, alert, and sober.
 - 8) Children should not be left unattended in a tent with a hot stove.
 - 9) In the event of strong winds, do not use the stove.
 - 10) Similar to an outdoor campfire, judgement should be used in determining when and where to safely use a tent stove. Hot embers can emit out of the stove chimney and potentially cause a forest fire. Only use in safe conditions. Know and obey local regulations and fire restrictions.
 - 11) Follow the stove manufactures' instructions.

Approved stove:

Colorado Cylinder Stove: Spruce Model with standard 12" stove legs. 5x6 Nested stovepipe.

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