

USER MANUAL

VAGABOND ROOFTOP TENT



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Congratulations on your new ROAM rooftop tent, and welcome to our family of ROAM adventurers!

To assemble and install this tent, you will attach two mounting extrusions to the tent, attach the adjustable length ladder, and attach the PVC-coated durable tent cover.

But first, please take note of a few important things:

Read this manual in its entirety before installing the tent. Improper installation can result in serious injury. Evaluate the static and dynamic load capacities of your roof rack before install (the tent weights 130 pounds), as not all racks can accommodate a rooftop tent.

Hardware Guide

[hardware pouch located inside tent]

A. sandwich plates (4)

B. wrenches (2)

C. tent stakes (4)

D. extrusion covers (4)

E. ladder bracket bolts
(two washers) (4)

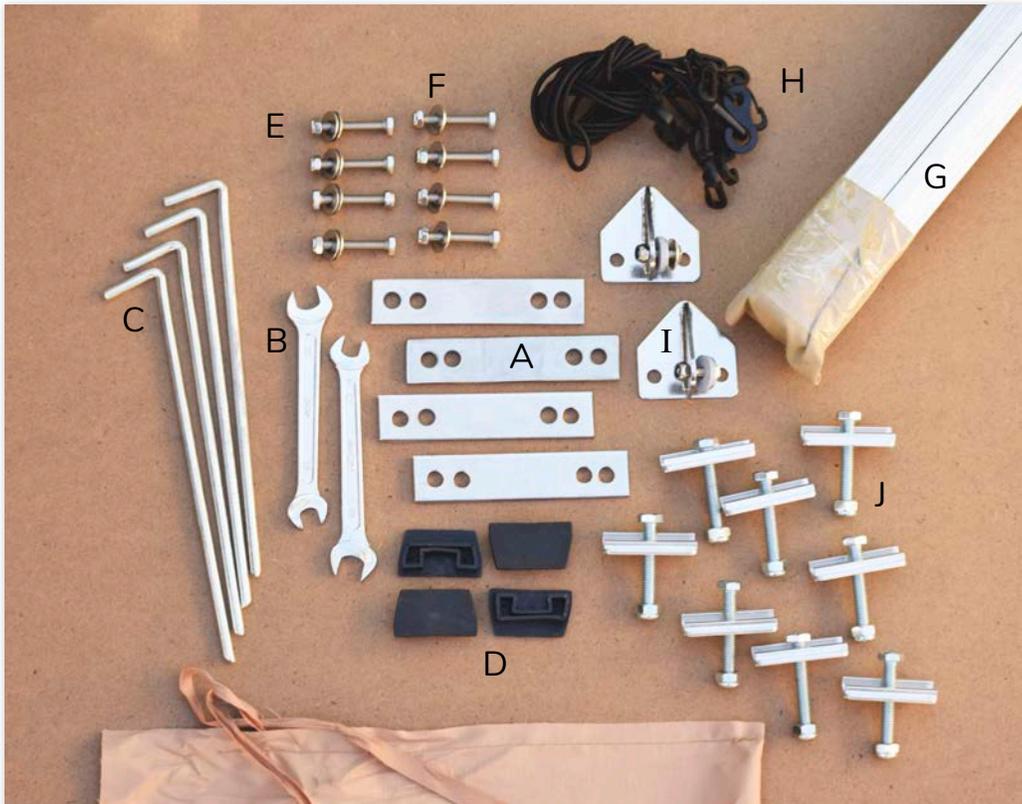
F. extrusion mount bolts
(one washer) (4)

G. mounting extrusions (2)

H. elastic cord (1)

I. ladder brackets and
hardware (2)

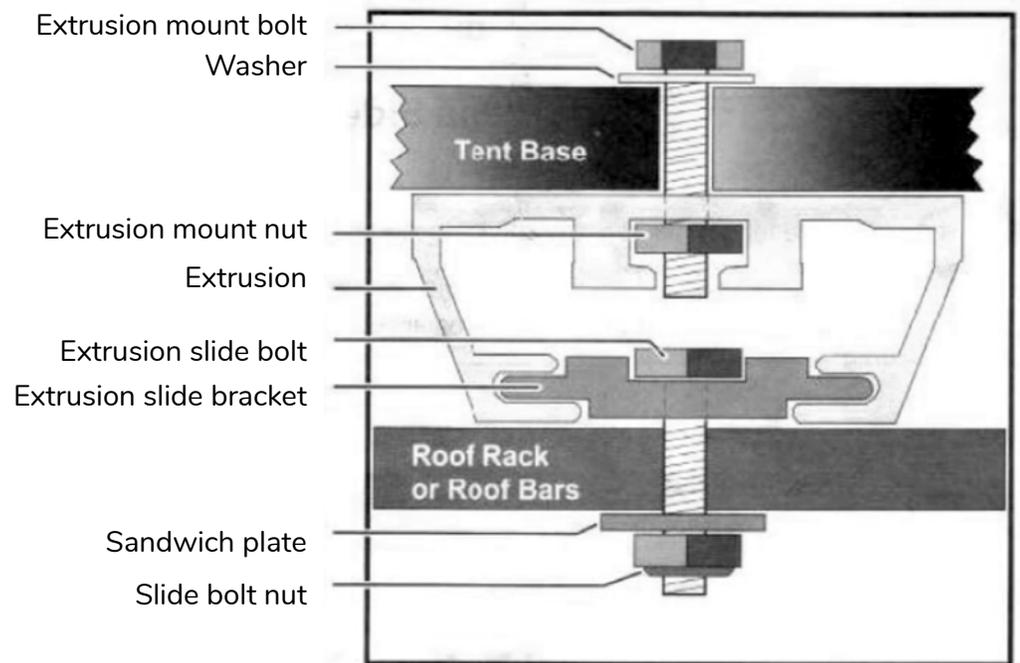
J. extrusion slide bolts and
brackets (8)



Unpacking the Tent

1. On a clean, flat workspace, open tent packaging. If using a knife, take care to not cut any fabric.
2. Undo two large tent straps, where two aluminum extrusions are also located. Undo two small end-straps on the side opposite the hinge to allow tent to fold open. Unzip either end's doorway to find inside the small pouch of hardware, ladder, and tent cover. (The long pouch can remain inside the tent. It contains six window awning supports.) Fold up the tent.
3. Using a razor, lightly trace the perimeter of the frame's surface to peel back the plastic protective film. Discard and repeat on opposite side.

Extrusion Mounting System Diagram



Attaching the Extrusions

1. Lay the tent with the side up that contains four holes in the tent base. Remove the packaging around the extrusions. Open the small hardware pouch and locate two included wrenches, and four 6mm bolts with one washer and nut.

2. Align the extrusions to the holes in the tent base, ensuring that the extrusions are laid along the length (rather than the width) of the base. Align the oblong holes in the extrusions with the similarly shaped holes on the frame.



3. Remove the four nylon nuts from the 6mm bolts. Slide two nuts into the small rectangular pocket of each extrusion. The fitted channel will prevent the nuts from spinning. Position each nut over each oblong hole.



4. Slide your hand with bolt and washer between the mattress and the frame at the tent's hinge, and insert bolt into the through-hole of the frame. Secure with the nut inside the extrusion using included wrench (tighten to 4 ft-lbs). Repeat for the other three holes.

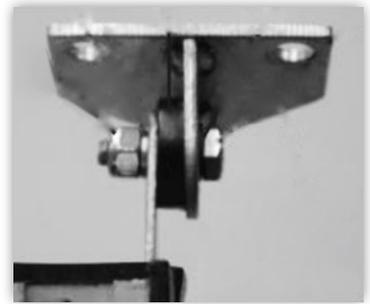


Attaching the Ladder and Cover

1. Flip the tent over and locate the four holes in the outer aluminum frame opposite the hinge side. Loosely attach ladder brackets with the flat side towards the outside of the frame and the nuts on the top side.



2. Unpack the ladder and place between ladder brackets, taking note to orient the ladder so that the ladder's feet are resting against the tent base. Using two washers, short bolt, nylon nut, and plastic washer, attach the ladder (see image). Tighten the ladder into position (2 ft-lbs). Cycle the ladder through its range of motion to ensure it moves freely. Finish fastening the ladder brackets to the tent frame (4 ft-lbs).



3. To attach the tent cover, first secure the small end straps on the side opposite the hinge. Insert the edge of cover with tan cord into channel on the bottom extrusion nearest the hinge side. Fold the cover over the tent, fitting all corners. Zip the tent shut, guiding the zipper to prevent jamming on tent fabric. Fasten the two large top straps over the cover.



Vehicle Install

The tent can be mounted to open in one of two directions:

Off the back

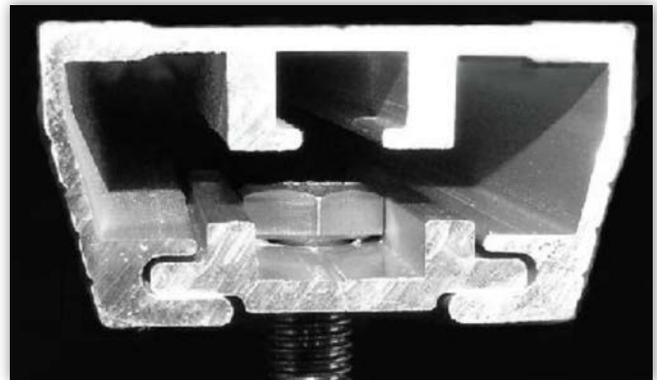


Off the side



1. After verifying the static and dynamic load capacities of your rack, and that the rack is securely mounted to the vehicle, lift the tent into position, using the help of another person or a hoist. Ensure that the tent is centered on the roof rack. Mounting rails should be at least 48 inches apart.

2. Slide two extrusion slide bolts into each end of the aluminum extrusions, ensuring they are seated correctly in the channel (see image).



Note: Measure the diameter of the mounting rail, and add 1" to that measurement. This number is the bolt length to be used with slide brackets (5/16"-18, grade 5 or better). Tent comes standard with 2" bolts.

Vehicle Install cont'd

3. Lifting one side of the tent at a time, position one of the two slide bolts on either side of the mounting rail. Repeat for each of the four corners of the tent.



4. Slide sandwich plate under mounting rail and onto each pair of bolts, using either of the two holes on the sandwich plate that best suits the position. Tighten all eight bolts to finger tightness first, and then tighten using the 13mm end of the included wrench to 15 ft-lbs.



You are now ready to unfold your next adventure!

Setting Up Camp

1. Park vehicle on level ground, and set parking brake. Undo the large cover straps. Unzip and remove cover. The cover can hang down, be rolled and tucked up, or removed, but be sure to keep fabric away from tent hinge.



2. Undo small front tent straps.



3. Undo ladder strap. Fully extend ladder by pulling the feet until all rungs are locked into place.



Setting Up Camp cont'd

4. Using ladder as a lever, unfold tent completely to a horizontal position.



5. Adjust ladder height to achieve a 30 degree angle by depressing the buttons under each rung, starting at the top rung.



6. Pull out U-shaped overhang support bar from end of tent, and insert each end into swivel eyelets on either corner of tent. Position bar so that the corners sit in the seams of overhang fabric.



Setting Up Camp cont'd

6. Stake down each corner of overhang using attached guy lines.

7. Climb up inside tent to find window awning supports. Undo window flap attachment clips. Insert straight end of awning support into pre-drilled holes on the sides of tent below windows at a 45 degree angle. Flex support rods to insert hook into grommet on each window awning corner.



Climb up and enjoy the view!



Pro tip: When the adventure is done, prior to closing tent, attach the included elastic cords to hanging plastic rings inside tent to aid in collapsing fabric while folding tent up.