

CHECKLIST

YOUR MACPAC TENT BAG WILL INCLUDE:





PITCHING YOUR TENT

UNPACK YOUR TENT

To pitch your swift pitch tent, you pitch the inner first and then add the fly. Lay the inner out flat on the ground. Gently unfold the tent poles. Do not flick the poles open as this can cause damage and shorten their life. Make sure all poles are inserted correctly and be aware of your surroundings as the ends do flick out.

2. ATTACH THE POLES

Your Hemisphere tent uses a combination of colour-coded pole sleeves and clips to attach the poles to the inner.

The two red and two black poles are inserted in pole sleeves that cross the tent from side to side, and the two yellow poles run diagonally across the tent from corner to corner through a series of fabric 'tunnels' under the pole sleeves.

Locate the appropriate pole sleeves and gently push the pole with one hand, and assist the pole through with the other. Don't pull the pole, because that can cause the sections to separate within the sleeve.



3. TENSION THE POLES

COMFORT AND SECURITY

CHOOSING A CAMP SITE

- Select a flat site, clear of sharp objects like rocks and branches. If possible do not pitch the tent in a hollow - dew settles in hollows, potentially increasing the moisture that may collect on your tent overnight.
- Pitch the tent with the door flaps facing away from the wind
- In all but severe weather keep the extractor vents open to allow air flow through the tent
- For extra ventilation leave the door of the inner partly open

IN STORMY CONDITIONS

- If possible pitch the tent with the back facing into the wind so it offers least resistance.
- To give greater strength in high winds velcro tabs connecting the inner to the fly are strategically placed to reinforce the guy cords. Ensure that the guy cords are pegged out firmly to stabilise your tent in high winds.

HELPFUL TIPS:

If it's windy, peg down a few of the upwind corners before inserting the poles. This will help secure your tent during setup. Where possible, insert the pegs on a 45° angle for improved holding power.

The poles are tensioned by inserting the free end in the corresponding eyelet, creating ataut arc. It is easiest to tension the diagonal poles first, followed by the traverse poles. Once the inner is erected, the pole clips can be attached to the yellow poles.

4. ADD THE FLY

Line up the fly doors with the large doors on the inner. Clip the buckles on one side of the fly to the corresponding buckles at the pole ends on one side of the tent inner. Spread the fly over the tent inner attaching the velcro connections between the inner and the fly as you go. Once the fly is attached pull the remaining loops out and peg them.

5. TENSION THE FLY

Peg out and tension the guy cords and ensure that the pegs attached to the guy cords are anchored firmly to the ground. This will ensure that the fly is well supported in strong winds.

HOW CAN I MAKE A NIGHT IN THE OUTDOORS AS COMFORTABLE AS POSSIBLE?

The fly of your Macpac tent is designed and made to keep rain out. The inner is designed to 'breathe'. It breathes by letting the moisture from your breath and body out of the inner. The inner is not designed to keep rain out. If enough air is able to flow through between the inner and the fly, the moisture will travel out through the extractor vents. If the airflow is limited moisture will build up inside the tent inner. It is important to maintain airflow between the fly and the inner.

NOTE: Although Macpac tents are designed to reduce condensation inside the tent it is impossible to completely eliminate the buildup of moisture in certain conditions.

THE BENEFITS OF SWIFT PITCH

FAST AND EASY ON WARM EVENINGS

You can pitch the inner on its own, and then choose whether or not to use the fly. The fly can be attached after the inner is pitched.



CARE AND CLEANING

PACKING YOUR TENT

Always dry the fly, inner, pegs, poles and guy cords completely before storing to prevent damage caused by mildew and mould. Shake gently while still pitched to remove surface water. Clear the floor of the inner of any twigs or stones. Remove all pegs and scrape dirt off them. Do not zip the door right up otherwise air will be trapped inside making your tent harder to roll.

WASHING YOUR TENT

If your tent is very dirty, clean it using a sponge, water and pure, non-detergent soap. Do not use detergents or solvents. Do not machine wash. Rinse thoroughly after cleaning.

UV DAMAGE

Do not leave the tent pitched in direct sunlight for longer than is necessary. Ultra violet light will eventually weaken the fabric and damage the waterproof coating. UV damage is not covered by warranty. Do not pitch your tent on hot surfaces as this can cause permanent blistering of the fabric. This type of damage is not covered by warranty.

REPAIRING YOUR TENT

Fabric patches and a pole repair sleeve are included with your tent. Simply glue a patch to the outer of the fly. In the event of a pole breakage, tape the pole repair sleeve over the damaged section. These are temporary repairs and you should get your tent fixed by the Macpac repair team as soon as possible. *For more information on warranty and repairs please visit our website*. *New Zealand Australia*

WARNING: KEEP OPEN FLAMES AND FIRES AWAY FROM THIS TENT

MACPAC CHOOSES NOT TO USE ANY FIRE RETARDANT TREATMENTS ON OUR TENTS, AS THESE ADDITIVES MAY BE HARMFUL TO YOUR HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT. USE COMMON SENSE WHEN COOKING NEAR YOUR TENT.

