

**SOLSTICE 6** 6 PERSON CAMPING TENT



## CHECKLIST

YOUR MACPAC TENT BAG WILL INCLUDE:





#### CHOOSING A CAMPSITE

- 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 front door facing away from the wind. The front door is the large grey panel with two long blue zip covers.
- Please take extra caution when pitching your tent in high winds. We recommend having a helper to hold the tent until it is fully pegged down.

## PITCHING YOUR TENT

You will find the best way for you to pitch your tent, but the following technique is the one we have found most successful.

Remove all items from the tent bag, check that you have all the parts listed on the checklist. The fly and the inner will be separate.

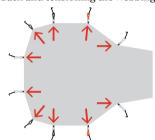
Gently unfold the tent poles. Do not flick the poles open as this can cause damage and shorten their life. Make sure all the poles are fitted together correctly and be careful of your surroundings as the ends can flick out.

Your tent uses a combination of colour-coded poles and bindings to help you with pitching. For example, the silver poles are inserted into the sleeves with silver binding and the ends go into the plate with the silver webbing loop and so on.

#### This is a hanging style tent, the inner is inserted last.

### PEGGING DOWN

Start by laying out the blue and grey fly, ensure the webbing is on the underside. Locate the front door and orientate your tent appropriately for your site. Peg out the loops marked in the diagram, starting with the silver loops at the back and tensioning the webbing as you go.





7 POLES 2 SILVER 1 SHORT BLACK

1 BLACK 1 ORANGE 2 AWNING

22 PEGS

8 GUY CORDS

BE ATTACHED TO THE FLY.

**1 WASHING LINE** 

MOST OF THE GUY CORDS WILL ALREADY

Thread and insert the long black pole into the sleeve with black binding at the back of the tent ensuring the pole is centred in the sleeve before trying to insert the second end. Once the poles are standing, attach the hooks.



# 5. FRONT POLE

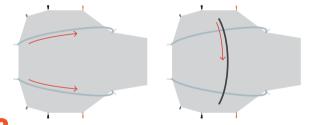
Thread and insert the orange pole into the sleeve with orange binding, inserting the first end into the orange plate. Then lift the pole ensuring the pole is centred in the sleeve before trying to insert the second end.



### INSERTING THE SILVER POLES

Starting from the back, insert both silver poles into the sleeves with sliver binding — use one hand to guide the pole and one hand to gently push it through the sleeve. Refrain from pulling the poles as this may separate the pole sections in the sleeve.

Then insert the **short** black pole through the sleeve with black binding in the centre of the tent.



### **3.** LIFTING THE POLES

Insert the front pole tip into the plate as shown in the diagram (A). Move to the back of the tent and lift the pole while keeping pressure on the end in the plate. As it lifts, slide the sleeve along the pole so that it is centred before trying to insert the second end. The pole will fit easily when the pole is centred — forcing the pole may damage it.

Attach the hooks to the pole once the pole is standing.





Insert the pole tip into the large side of the key hole and slide to the small side.

Locate the large webbing loop above the grey triangular side door and insert the ends of the short black pole into the eyelet as shown in the diagram (**B**).



Holding the top loop insert the pole tip into the eyelet.



## 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 the 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

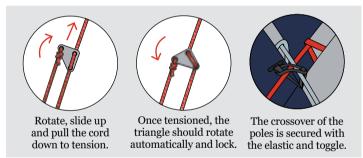
If your tent is very dirty, clean it using a sponge, water and pure, nondetergent soap. Do not use detergents or solvents. Do not machine wash. Rinse thoroughly after cleaning.

#### **UV DAMAGE**

Do not leave the tent pitched in direct sunlight for longer than is necessary. Ultraviolet 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.

# 5. FINAL PEGGING OUT

Your tent may have moved a little during pitching, so go around all the peg points adjusting the tension of the fly where needed and peg out the front door. Finally peg out the guy cords in line with their adjacent pole and tension them.



## **7.** INNER

To attach the inner, start with the silver clips at the back of the tent. Then move up using the toggles and O rings to attach the inner to the fly. Work your way forward until all clips and toggles are attached with all parts evenly tensioned.



The hanging inner is attached by threading toggles through O rings.



#### REPAIRING YOUR TENT

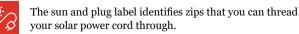
Fabric patches and a pole repair sleeve are included with your tent. Simply glue a patch to the outer of the fly. In the event of a pole breakage, tape the pole repair sleeve over the damaged section. These are temporary repairs and you should get your tent fixed by the Macpac repair team as soon as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

#### LABELS

You will see a number of icons identifying features inside your tent, here is what they mean:



The light bulb label identifies loops that are ideal for hanging lights.



The feather label identifies pockets that should only hold



lightweight items.



The hanging shirt label identifies some of the loops for stringing up the washing line. Be careful not to overload.

### 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.

