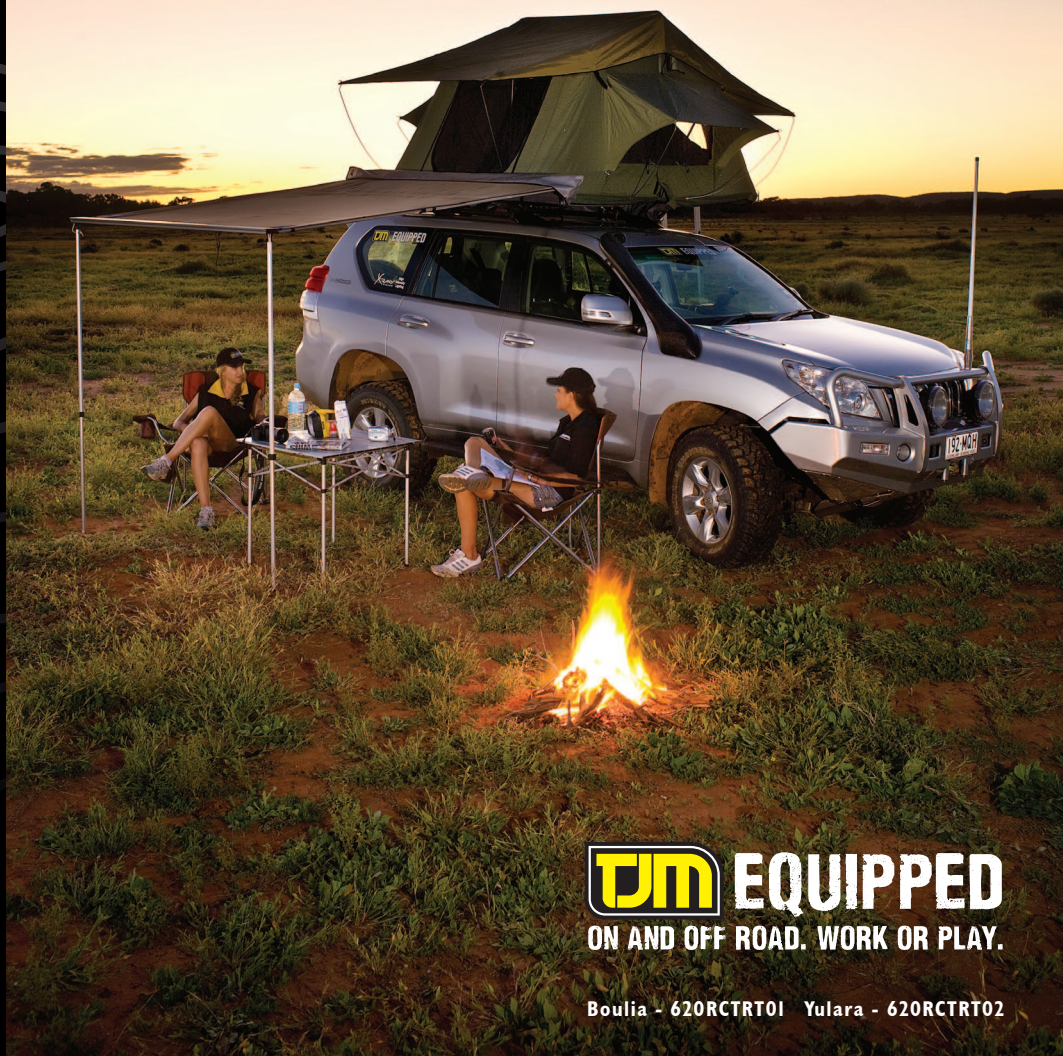


# Roof Top Tents



**TJM** EQUIPPED  
ON AND OFF ROAD. WORK OR PLAY.

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## **TJM ROOF TOP TENTS**

Thank you for your recent purchase of a TJM Roof Top Tent. Please find enclosed the fitting and set up instructions as well as other important information regarding your new product.

We advise you read through the following information manual carefully to familiarise yourself with your new TJM tent and keep it on file for future reference.

- 2**    **Fitting your TJM Tent to your vehicle**
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# FITTING YOUR TJM TENT TO YOUR VEHICLE

## Tent Orientation

Before you fit your new TJM tent to your vehicle, you will need to decide whether you wish to have the roof top tent open over the back or to the side of your vehicle. To assist you with your decision, we have listed the key features of each option below.

### a. **Opening over the back**

- Best suited for most larger sized vehicles
- Leaves extra roof space for additional storage
- Not recommended for vertical lift-gates

### b. **Opening off the side**

- Best suited for most small to medium vehicles
- Allows for lift-gates to operate normally
- The packed tent provides better balance on the roof and creates less wind drag

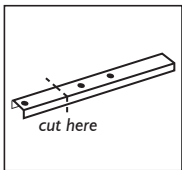
Once you have decided which is best suited to your situation, follow the relevant mounting instructions illustrated in this manual.

If you are still uncertain as to the most appropriate method of mounting your TJM tent, please contact us and we will be happy to provide advice particular to your circumstances.

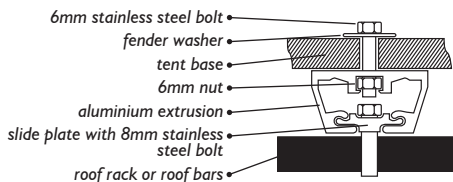
## Mounting Instructions – For tent opening over the back of vehicle

1. Remove the mounting extrusion from the carton and cut as per **Figure 1**.
2. Place the tent on its side onto a clean surface on the ground
3. Using the four supplied 6mm bolts and 6mm fender washers, slide your hand in between the inside of the case and mattress and insert the bolts into the pre-drilled holes. Refer to **Figure 2**.
4. Place the mounting extrusion into position over the bolts.
5. Slide the 6mm nuts into the mounting extrusions and tighten the bolts firmly from inside the tent.
6. Mount the ladder to the base of the tent through the pre-drilled holes. Refer to **Figure 3**.

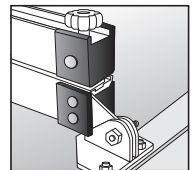
**Figure 1.**



**Figure 2.**



**Figure 3.**

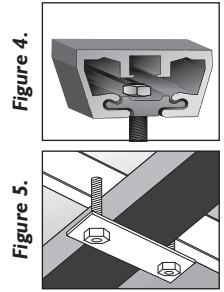


## Mounting Instructions – For tent opening off the side of vehicle

1. Place the tent on its side onto a clean surface on the ground
2. Using the four supplied 6mm bolts and 6mm fender washers, slide your hand in between the inside of the case and mattress and insert the bolts into the pre-drilled holes. Refer to **Figure 2**.
3. Place the mounting extrusion into position over the bolts.
4. Slide the 6mm nuts into the mounting extrusions and tighten the bolts firmly from inside the tent.
5. Mount the ladder to the base of the tent through the pre-drilled holes. Refer to **Figure 3**.

## Fitting your TJM Roof Top Tent to your roof racks or bars

1. Lift the tent onto the vehicle
2. Place 8mm bolt into the slide plate.
3. Slide the plate and bolt into the mounting extrusion. Refer **Figure 4**.
4. Attach the roof tent to your roof rack or roof bars in four places as per **Figure 5**.
5. Use two bolts and two slide plates with the base plate to hang the bar. One set per corner.
6. Prior to tightening all the nuts, ensure that your roof tent is centred (side to side) on the roof of your vehicle and that the mounting points are symmetrically positioned near each corner of the tent.



## INSTRUCTIONS FOR TENT SETUP

### Unpacking the tent

1. Ensure the tent is mounted to your vehicle before continuing.
2. Remove the cover from the tent by unzipping around the three edges.
3. Slide the remaining edge from the rope track. Stow the cover.
4. Release the hold down the Velcro straps on each side of the tent.
5. Slide the ladder out until the locking pins engage. The ladder can now be used as a lever to open the tent.
6. Rest the ladder on the ground and enter the tent.

### NOTE

If the angle of the ladder is too upright, you will require the optional ladder extension. Refer to page 4 for more information.

7. Release the four bungee cords from one side of the tent.
8. Retrieve the Sprung Steed Rods (SSR).
9. The SSR's are then to be positioned to tension the external and internal fly sheet window awnings.
10. Insert the other end of the SSR into the hole in the base of the roof tent, passing through the eyelet in the roof tent skirt. This will require you to bend the SSR so that the angle of the SSR is equal to the angle of the hole into which it should be inserted.



### Packing the tent

1. Simply repeat the above steps in the reverse order to pack away your TJM tent.

## Ladder Extension Accessory

A ladder extension may be required depending on the height of your vehicle (in most cases where the roof tent is more than 2m off the ground).

Slide the ladder extension into the base of the main ladder. Position the ladder and extension to an appropriate climbing angle. Drill two 8mm holes into the main ladder to accept the two locking pins from the ladder extension.



**NOTE**

**The overlap of the ladder extension to the main ladder must be no less than 240mm.**

The ladder extension is stored separately in its own bag.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

### Pre-weathering notice for TJM tents

During the sewing process of the manufacture of TJM canvas tents, the cotton thread is forced through two or more layers of canvas. As a result, holes are left through the canvas in which water can enter early in the tent's life. This is a consistent process of manufacture and is not a manufacturer or warranty issue. The thread used in the sewing process is designed to swell after being soaked with rain and then dried by the sun. When the process is complete, the thread entirely fills the hole eliminating further water entry.

TJM recommends TJM customers adhere to the following steps to ensure and enhance waterproof sealing:

1. TJM tents need to be soaked through with constant rain. A minimum of 4 hours is essential to the conditioning process of the canvas and seams. Watering with a hose is insufficient and will not ensure the desired results.
2. After soaking, always dry the tent out in the sun. This is an integral part of the procedure as it swells the cotton thread and shrinks the canvas around it, forming the desired watertight seal. This watertight seal will last the lifetime of the tent and will ensure and enhance the waterproof sealing.

**NOTE**

**Please take into consideration that TJM tents are made with quality canvas and in some cases it may take two or three initial soaking periods to achieve the ultimate watertight seals.**

## CAUTIONS

### **When dismantling the tent, do not pull down on the side retaining the Velcro straps**

These Velcro straps are designed to hold the tent base together, and is not designed to be used to pull the bases together. When you are closing the tent, hold down the top folded base to compact the tent. Then use Velcro straps to secure the bases in this position. The Velcro straps will tear out of the tent if excessive force is applied.

### **Do not store the tent wet**

If under special circumstances you have to pack the tent away when wet, ensure all canvas doors and windows are zipped closed to protect the inside of the tent before dismantling. As soon as you can (no longer than 2 days), open the tent and let it dry out thoroughly to prevent moisture damage. Open up the tent occasionally to let it vent out. Store the mattress in a dry area during extended periods of wet weather.

**If the tent is to be closed up for extended periods of time, it is very important that the tent and mattress is completely dry.**

### **Do not drill holes below the existing locking holes in the ladder**

This will weaken the structure of the ladder and can cause injury. If you need to extend the length of the ladder, please purchase a ladder extension accessory. Should you need to shorten the ladder, you can drill holes above the existing ladder locking pin holes.

### **Be aware that with a roof top tent fitted to your vehicle, the overall height is increased**

You should measure the overall height of your vehicle with the roof tent fitted as you will need this information to decide if the vehicle can enter car parks etc.

### **Be aware of changes in centre of gravity**

The attachment of a roof tent to your vehicle will alter its centre of gravity. Adjust your driving accordingly. This applies to any other load on your roof rack.

### **Recommended undertaking on-trip inspections**

Regularly check that all nuts and bolts attaching your roof tent to the roof of your vehicle are tight and in good repair

## STORAGE GUIDELINES

If storing the tent separately to the vehicle, ensure the tent is packed away completely dry.

Be careful not to drag the tent on the ground. This will damage the cover and allow potential water ingress the next time you use your TJM tent.

Do not store directly on concrete.