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# Owner's Manual

Altimus Bell Tent

14', 18'

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# Congrats!

## You're about to make some incredible memories.

Oh, boy. You just got your hands on the best bell tent out there. Take a moment to revel in the satisfaction of making one of the best decisions about your outdoor gear yet.

Back from your moment of bliss? Let's continue!

This guide contains complete instructions for setting up your tent, tips for packing and storing it away and links to helpful resources. We recommend going through the entire thing before you take your tent out for the first time, you never know what information you might need.

Each time you use your tent, you can feel proud about your purchase because every product we design is built on three pillars:

**Product quality** | We go above and beyond to ensure the quality of your gear is exactly what you expect, and more.

**User experience** | We build products with you, the end user, at the forefront of our design principles, so that your experience is as seamless and enjoyable as possible.

**Sustainability** | This is in the fabric of everything we do, be it reducing energy consumption in the manufacture of your tent, or managing waste more responsibly.

We're proud of where we've come as a brand and we wouldn't be where we are without you - and for that, a heartfelt thank you.

With that in mind, if you love your new gear and can't wait to share it with the world, drop us a review on Google and help others make the same intelligent decisions about their gear.

If you find something isn't quite right with your purchase or you run into problems later on, please, let us know first. We'll do everything we can to make it right. We're just an email or chat away.

Keep wandering,  
Team White Duck



# Warnings & Liability

## Fire Safety

### KEEP ALL FLAME AND HEAT SOURCES AWAY FROM THIS PRODUCT FABRIC

The materials used in the manufacture of the Fire Water Repellent fabric meet the flame resistance requirements of CPAI-84. It is not fireproof. The fabric will ignite and burn if left in continuous contact with any open flame or other sources of ignition. The application of any foreign substance to the tent fabric may render the flame resistant properties ineffective.

Canvas tents are not for use with open fire pits. Fire safety is the responsibility of the user. We encourage you to educate yourself and practice vigilant fire safety. Do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns at any time. It is imperative to acknowledge the local rules and regulations and if you are unsure, to ask about campsite/local policies or refer to the local civil protection/defense, forestry, fire service websites for further information. Always check local fire restrictions prior to starting a fire as rules and regulations may change frequently throughout the year.

### NOTE

*White Duck Outdoors cannot be held liable for any damage or injury to persons or property resulting from the use or misuse of fire or flammable materials in or around our tents.*





## | Precautions

The following precautions should be taken when you go outdoors:

- 01** Be certain that your tent is properly ventilated (especially if you decide to ignore the first warning and use a heater in your tent). Carbon monoxide is real, and can cause serious damage such as death. Vents and screens are built into the tent body.
- 02** Be sure to anchor your tent properly—this is not a free-standing tent—follow the instructions in this manual for proper staking practices and ensure that all guy ropes & pegs are securely fixed.
- 03** Be certain that children are supervised in and around the tent at all times.
- 04** Do not use candles, matches or open flames of any kind in or near the tent.
- 05** It is better to not cook inside a tent, but if you are, do not leave cooking unattended. Make sure grills, cooking appliances and similar must not be placed nearer than 1 meter to tent canvas. There should be no use of open fires or glowing charcoal inside tents or near tent canvas – fire can spread very quickly. There should be no use of open fires or glowing charcoal inside tents or near tent canvas as there is a significant risk from the buildup of carbon monoxide (CO), particularly in a confined space inside the tent. All flexible tubes and couplings to the gas burner should be checked for leakage and that they're in good order.
- 06** Build campfires downwind and several meters away from a tent and be sure to fully extinguish campfires before leaving a campsite or before retiring for the night.
- 07** Ensure that electrical appliances are in good condition with no frayed wires, etc. Do not leave laptops, phones or tablets plugged in and charging unattended.
- 08** Exercise extreme caution when using fuel-powered lanterns or heaters inside a tent and use battery-operated lanterns whenever possible. Do not refuel lamps, heaters or stoves inside a tent. Extinguish or turn off all lanterns before going to sleep.
- 09** Do not pitch under trees, on cliffs or places with uneven surfaces; this can lead to you falling.
- 10** Do not smoke in a tent or store flammable liquids inside a tent. Installation of log burners or heating equipment is at your own risk.



## White Duck Warranty

We strive to manufacture the best possible products for our customers. Our limited lifetime White Duck Warranty covers products against defects in materials or workmanship. This warranty is extended to the original owner only and excludes normal wear and tear (e.g, zippers that wear out after extended use), misuse, alterations made by anyone other than us, intentional damage or damage from extreme weather conditions. Please follow all care instructions!

If, after inspection, a product is determined by us to be defective in workmanship or materials, we will repair or replace it at our option, at no cost to you.

Remember, a dry tent is a healthy tent. Do not store your tent when it is damp. If you must break camp and roll up a damp tent, be sure to stake it back out and set it up fully when you get home so it can air dry. Even small amounts of moisture (when your tent is stored) can lead to the growth of mold or mildew. This same mold will also damage your tent's water repellency. Mold growth on your tent is not covered by warranty.

**For complete details on our warranty,  
please visit our website:**



Sometimes after you receive a tent,  
our customers ask questions like...

# How do I pack and store my new tent?



If you're interested in learning more about your tent or how to make the most of your time outdoors, we have product-specific videos, vlogs, Shorts and more on our YouTube channel.



# Get to know your Altimus

Your tent includes

1 Canvas tent | 1 Pole Bag | 1 Tool Kit Bag



# With your tent...

## Poles



Center pole



A-frame pole



Standing pole



Wall poles

1 Center pole | 1 A-frame pole | 2 Standing poles | 6 Wall poles

## Tool Kit



Pins



JPegs



Rubber  
Mallet

11 JPegs | 8 Pins | 1 Rubber mallet



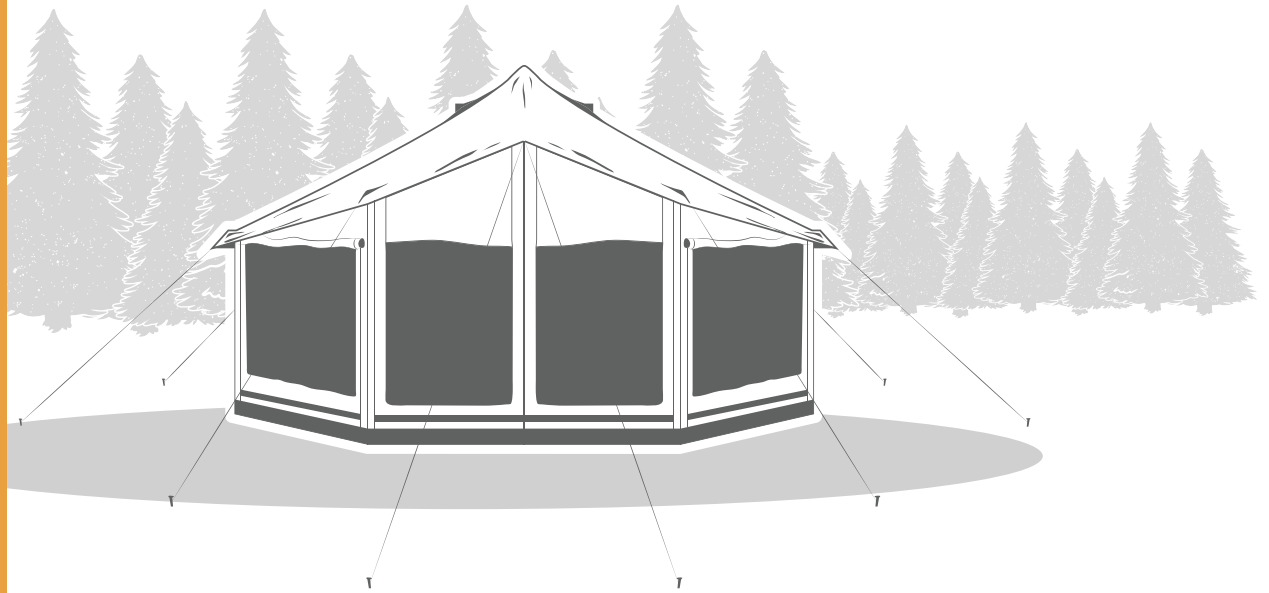
# Set up & take down instructions

Before you begin the setup process, it's important to first make sure you've chosen a viable site for your tent. Look for a flat, dry surface, free of rocks, sticks, and other debris.

We would also advise not setting up your tent directly under trees or close to a body of water, as this increases the likelihood of mold & mildew formation.







# Setting up your Altimus

## | Preparation

The natural waterproofing of cotton canvas means it expands slightly the first time it's exposed to water. To season your tent, we recommend hosing it down at home with water and letting it dry out before taking it on your first camping trip.

Setting up the tent at home once also ensures you'll spend less time pitching the tent when you get to the campsite and you won't run into any unexpected surprises.



## 01

### Lay out the tent

First, pull all the components out of the storage bag and lay everything out on the ground. Spread your tent out and position it so the door is facing the direction you prefer. Keep the other tent components nearby so you can access them easily.

Also, make sure to hold on to the ties around the folded tent, you'll need them when packing away your tent after your trip.



## 02

### Stake the tent down

Using the pins (the smaller of the two sets of stakes provided), stake down the floor of the Altimus using the mallet provided, driving them into the metal grommets around base of the tent.





### 03

## Assemble and position the door frame

The door frame is made up of three poles: two standing poles that go on either side of the door, and the pole that connects them with the bend in the middle and spike at the top.

Place the poles through their respective sleeves around the door and connect them. There's no one perfect way to get the poles in position. Find the method that works best for you and your group!



### 04

## Position all remaining wall poles

While the tent is still flat on the ground, insert the remaining wall poles in their sleeves all around the tent.



## 05

## Stake the door ropes

Using the Jpegs, stake the ropes connected to the door of your tent to pull the door up and straighten it. The rest of your tent will still be on the ground at this point.



### Tips

*When staking, ensure that the rope is in line with the seam of the tent that runs from the roof of the tent down to the point where the rope is attached to the tent wall. If there's no seam, try to keep the rope straight, relative to the tent.*

## 06

## Install the center pole

Once your door frame is standing, step into the tent and position the center pole, D-ring side up. There's a dotted circle on the floor of your tent to indicate where the base of your center pole should be positioned.



07

## Stake the remaining guy ropes

Now, using the Jpegs, start to stake the ropes around the walls of your tent, moving in a single direction, either clockwise or anti-clockwise.

Once all the guy ropes are in position and the shape of the tent starts to come together, you can start to tighten the guy ropes to straighten the tent walls by pulling the metal runner towards you.



### Tips

*The windows of the tent can be rolled up either halfway or completely, this is entirely up to you.*









# Make the most of your tent





## Using your stove jack

Your Altimus comes with a built-in stove jack, which you can use a cutter, scissors or pocket knife to carve out. Make sure the canvas flap on the outside is rolled up before cutting.



## Installing an A/C

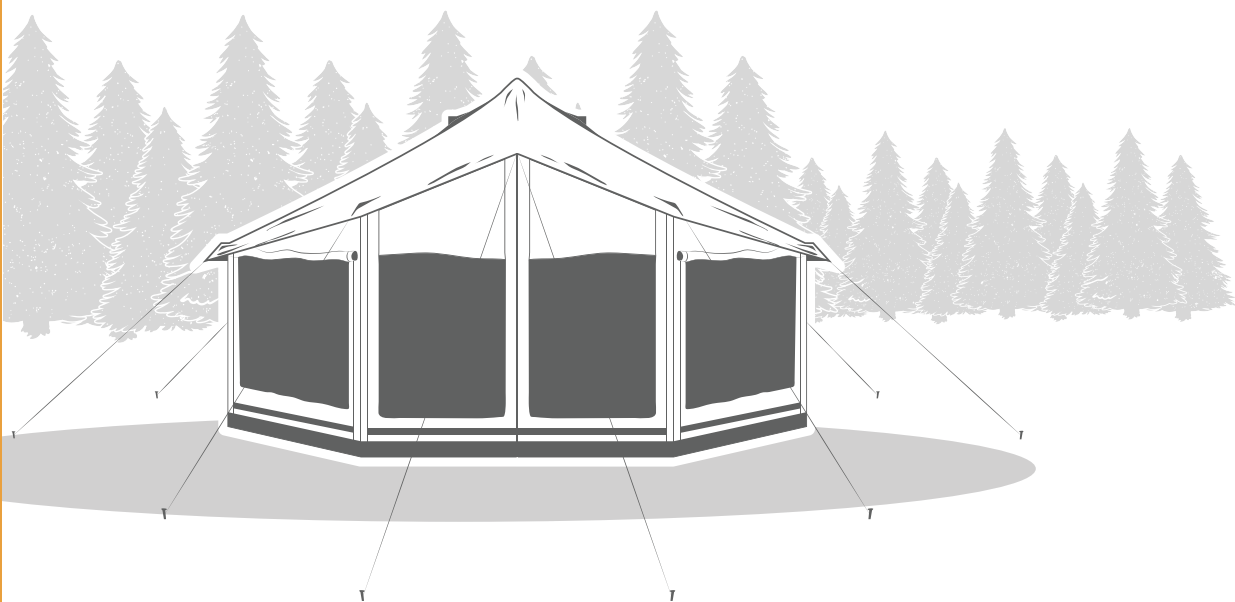
One of the walls towards the backside of your tent has a flap that covers an A/C duct. This is so you can install an A/C for warmer days and evenings. You can also roll this wall up completely and open up the mesh window, to create a separate entryway.



## Setting up your privacy shade

To put up your privacy shade at the front of your tent (the canvas doors of your tent):

- use the hooks connected to the doors
- connect them to the grommets on the ropes around the door



# Taking down, packing and storing your Altimus

Before packing away your tent, the most important thing is to ensure that the tent body and all included components are dry. Packing a wet tent will contribute to mold and mildew growth on the material, reducing the lifespan of the tent.

Of course, sometimes rainstorms hit, and drying your tent completely simply isn't possible. If this is the case, be sure to unpack it and lay it out to dry as soon as possible.



## Clean the tent

After the tent is dry and you've removed all your gear, thoroughly sweep out the inside of the tent. Clear out all trash, leaves, sticks, and as much dirt or debris as possible. Any dirt left in the tent will be pressed into the canvas when it's rolled up, which is no good! Also, make sure all windows and doors are zipped up before you begin teardown.



## Pack the tent

- Loosen all ropes, remove their pegs and bring down the poles.
- Remove the poles from their sleeves.
- Pull the pins out from the base of the tent. Store the pins, pegs and mallet in the tool kit, and the poles in their own bag.
- Fold the tent in half lengthwise, bringing the back of the tent to the front, to roughly make a semi-circle.
- Fold the tent in half again, forming a quarter-circle.
- Fold the outer corner of this quarter circle back towards the middle, so the shape is now somewhat rectangular.
- Roll the tent tightly from one end to the other, making sure to push out any air pockets as you roll.
- Once rolled, secure the tent with the straps that came with the tent.
- Place the tent, pole bag and tool kit back in the canvas bags they came in.



## Store the tent

Storing your tent only once it is dry is the most important part of storage. As mentioned above, be sure to let your tent air out and get \*completely dry\* before you pack it away for an extended period.

Also, store your tent in a cool, dry place with good ventilation, which will stop mold or mildew from building up on the canvas, and ideally keep it out of direct sunlight. With proper care and storage, your tent will last for countless seasons to come.

Now that you know how to prepare, set up, take down, and store your tent, it's time to head out into the great outdoors and #reconnectnow.



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# Caring for your tent

## Never store your tent when it's wet or damp

Make sure to never store your tent when it's wet or damp, and this includes the ropes. The moisture trapped inside can lead to the formation of mold or mildew, which will reduce the lifespan of your tent. If you cannot dry your tent fully before tearing down at your campsite, make sure to lay it out or set it up completely as soon as possible after you get home to allow it to dry.

## Keep your tent clean

To remove marks, use a soft brush or sponge with fresh water only and rinse with clean water. Then, allow your tent to dry completely. Remove stains as soon as they appear, regularly clean your tent and zippers of any dirt or debris, and brush snow off your tent as often as possible. Do not apply any external treatments or chemicals without consulting us first.

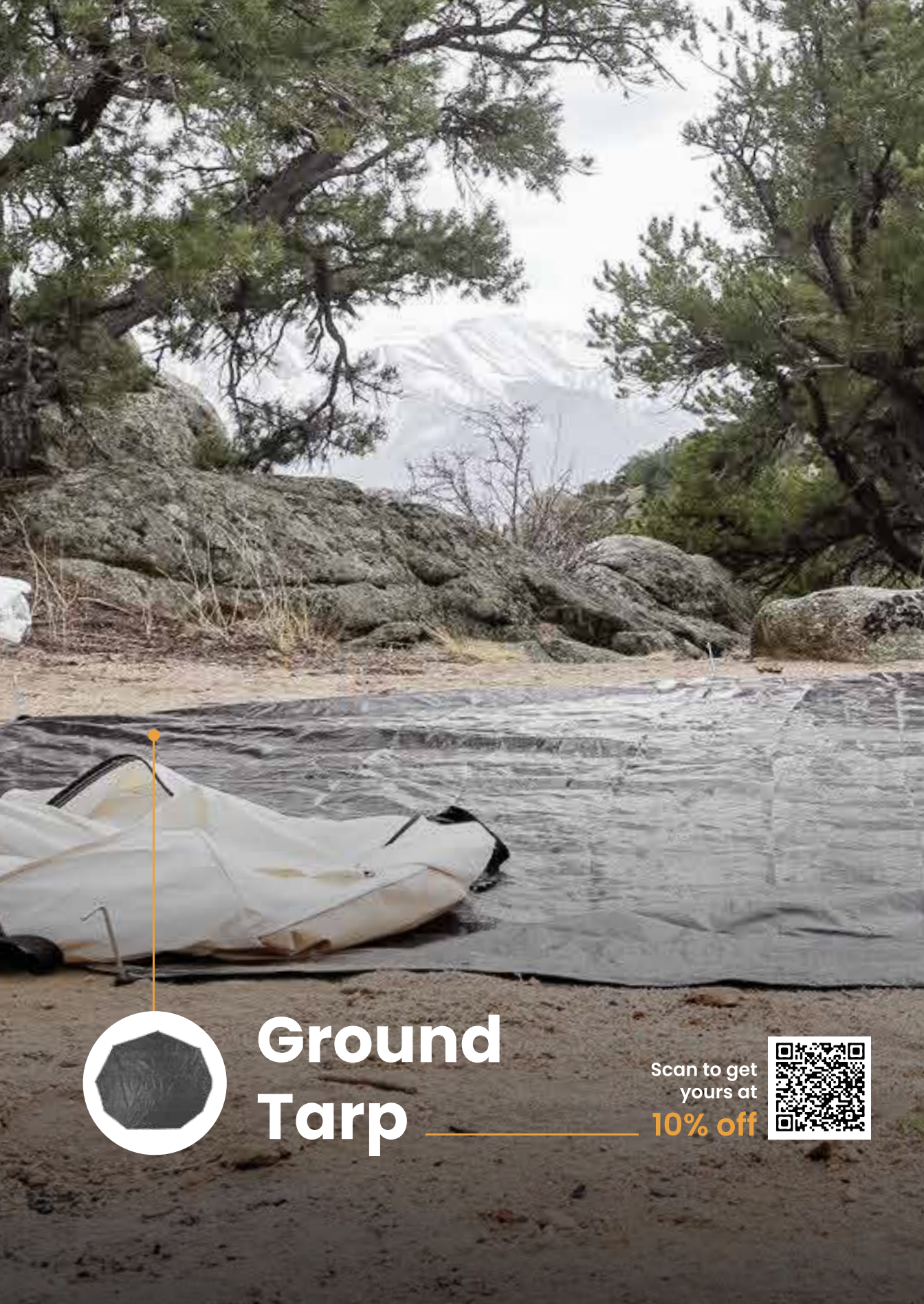
## Set your tent up properly

A simple yet effective way to extend the life of your tent is to set it up correctly, following all the instructions. Not pitching your tent correctly can place undue stress on the canvas, seams or zippers. This can weaken the construction of your tent and may affect the performance of the tent in strong winds or heavy rains.

## Don't leave your tent up permanently or unattended

To remove marks, use a soft brush or sponge with fresh water only and rinse with clean water. Then, allow your tent to dry completely. Remove stains as soon as they appear, regularly clean your tent and zippers of any dirt or debris, and brush snow off your tent as often as possible. Do not apply any external treatments or chemicals without consulting us first.





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# Gear Range



Upgrade your gear



## Bags

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Hoplite Top Load



Hoplite G.I. Top Load



Flios Duffel



Hoplite Parachute



Hoplite Duffel



Messenger Bag

## Log Carriers

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Rectangle



Tote



Boat



Diamond

## Dog Bed

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