

# SIERRA DESIGNS

## LIGHT YEAR



**Your Sierra Designs LIGHT YEAR tent is very easy to pitch and maintain. Follow these instructions to pitch your tent quickly, safely and easily.**

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\* Sierra Designs tents include stakes for pitching the body and fly under normal conditions. Additional stakes may be required in severe conditions.

### First Pitch

In order to familiarize yourself with your new tent, we suggest that you "test pitch" it before embarking on a wilderness trip.

### Select a Site

Look for a level spot that is protected from the wind in order to ensure sleeping comfort. Clear the area of debris such as sharp stones and sticks which might abrade or puncture the tent floor. Choose an area that will drain well when it rains.

### Unfurl the Tent and Assemble the Poles

Unfurl the tent and lay the tent floor flat on the ground with the door unzipped. Carefully unfold the shock corded pole sections and allow them to slide together. Do not allow the poles to snap together: This can lead to serious pole damage. Make certain that the insert of each pole section is fully inserted into the next pole section (Figure 1). You will have one long "front arch" pole and one short "rear arch" pole (Figure 2).

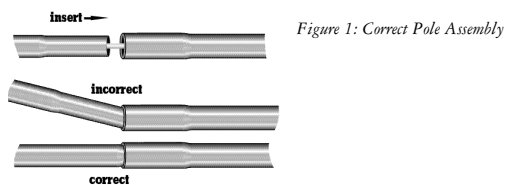


Figure 1: Correct Pole Assembly

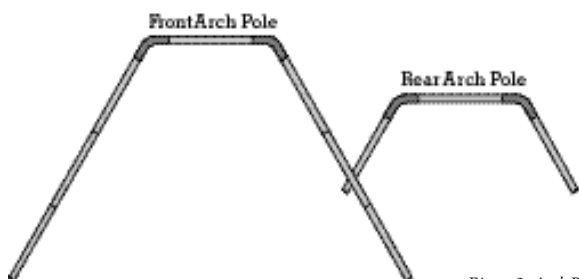


Figure 2: Arch Poles

### Stake Out the Tent Floor

First stake down the adjustable webbing loop at the front and rear of the tent at points A and B (Figure 3). Adjust

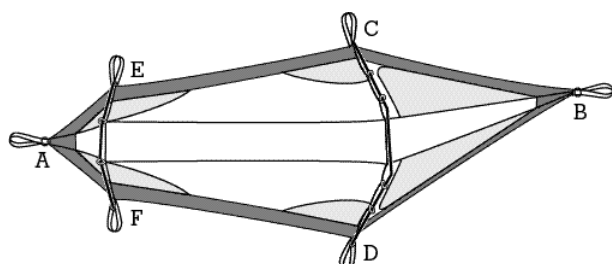


Figure 3: Tent Body (top view)



the webbing at these points so it is taut. In mild conditions these are the only points you will need to stake out. For more severe or wet conditions you should stake out points C, D, E, and F.

### Erect the Tent

Insert the metal tips of the longer "front arch" pole into the grommets at points C and D (Figure 3). Clip the Swift Clip™ located above the door over the center section of the pole. Then attach the remaining Swift Clips™, following the seam along the path of the pole, between points C and D. Now, insert the metal tips of the shorter "rear pole" into the grommets at points E and F, and attach the rear Swift Clips™ to this pole.

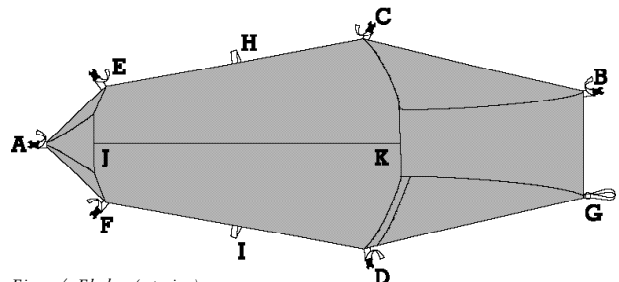


Figure 4: Flysheet (top view)

### Flysheet

Drape the fly over the tent and position the zipper over the tent door (Figure 4). Attach the Velcro to the front and rear pole at points J and K. At points A, B, C, D, E, and F are 3/4" side-release "Fly Clip" buckles (Figure 5). Clip these buckles into their corresponding mates on the tent floor and pull the straps until the fly is taut. By first clipping the blue webbing strap on the rainfly to a blue webbing strap on the body, you are guaranteed a fast, proper rainfly set-up every time. At points A and B, adjust the webbing to be certain that the rainfly is fully covering the tent body. Now pull out point G until the vestibule is taut and stake it out. You can use a guy line to guy out the fly at points H and I for increased ventilation.

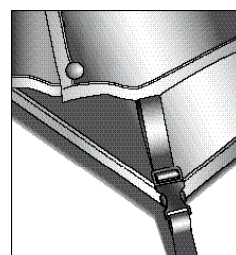


Figure 5: Fly Clip

### Ventilation

The best air flow through the tent is obtained by pitching the tent with the foot area into the wind. With the rainfly on, airflow is increased by guying out the rainfly away from the tent walls. Additionally, the door can be folded back and tied in an open position.