

ORIGAMI 2 UL TARP



Your Sierra Designs **ORIGAMI 2 UL TARP** 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.

The *Origami 2 UL Tarp* that you have purchased is a unique shelter in that you will be able to use and pitch this tarp in an infinite amount of configurations. Your tarp is configured with 5 equilateral triangle patterns, which allows for panels to be folded in various ways depending on the desired configuration. You will notice that on the exterior of your *Origami 2 UL Tarp* there are 5 stake out points, 5 bias binding guy outs, and 5 reflective guy outs points. You will also notice that on the underside of the stake out points and the bias binding guy outs there are internal loops and the underside of the reflective guy outs are ties. All of these points are integral aspects of your tarp's pitching configurations. As you become more familiar with your tarp you will also become more creative in the various pitching possibilities. A few variations are described later on in the instructions. Enjoy and explore the possibilities.

First Pitch

In order to familiarize yourself with your new *Origami 2 UL Tarp* we suggest that you "test pitch" it before embarking on your wilderness adventure.

Unfurl the Tarp and Assemble the Poles

The *Origami 2 UL Tarp* comes with 1 adjustable pole. The pole has two different heights for different tarp configurations. Assemble this pole by carefully unfolding the shock corded sections and allowing them to slide together. Do not snap the pole sections together, as this could damage the poles. Make certain that the insert for each pole section is fully inserted into the next pole section. (Figure 1) Failure to do so may cause the pole to break. Unfold the tarp and lay flat on the ground so that the Sierra Designs logos are visible.

Stake Out and Erect the Tarp

Start by staking out points B, C, and D of the tarp (Figure 2) and make sure that the tarp door is open. Next, you will want to make sure that the pole is in the shorter configuration. Now, take the domed (rounded) end of the pole and place on the underside of the tarp at point F and erect the tarp. To finish you will now need to stake out points A and E. In order to get a taut pitch we suggest that you work your way around the tarp and adjust the stake out points as necessary until the desired tautness is achieved.

Pitching Variations

As mentioned above, one of the many benefits of the *Origami 2 UL Tarp* is its ample pitching variations. On the following page are just two examples of these various pitching configurations.

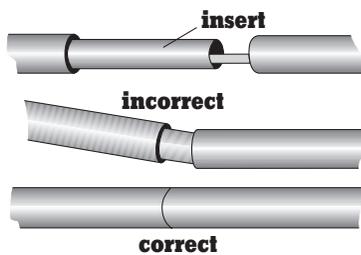


Figure 1: Correct Pole Assembly

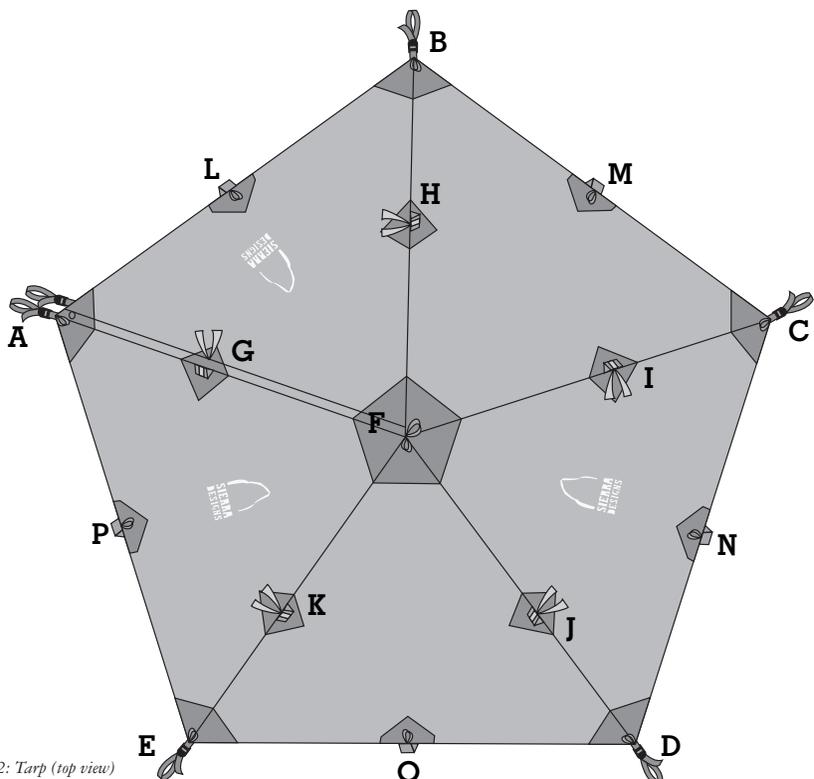


Figure 2: Tarp (top view)



Figure 3: Sun Shade

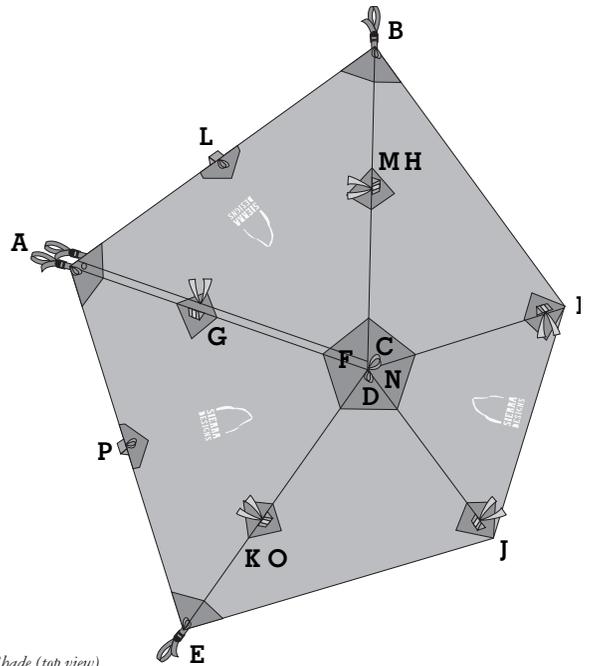


Figure 4: Sun Shade (top view)

Sun Shade (Figure 3 and Figure 4)

For this configuration you will need to be in a location where you are able to guy out to trees or similar structures. Starting from where we left off in the, "Erect your Tarp" section, you will need to guy out points I and J to the closest trees/structure. Once these points are guyed out remove the stakes from points C and D. You will notice that on the underside of the tarp at all stake out points and point F there are internal loops. Take one of the shorter guy lines provided and feed it through these internal loops at points C, D, N, and F. Now pull the guy line tight until points C, D, and N are as close

to point F as they can be and secure the line. Next, you will notice that the ties on the underside of the tarp at points K and H are in line with points M and O (the bias binding guy outs, Figure 4, points L-P). Secure these points by using the ties provided. To finish we suggest that you first tighten the guy lines that are attaching points I and J to your chosen structure. Next, depending on the height of your guy lines you can adjust your pole to the longer length which should increase the tautness of your shelter. Lastly, if still needed, you can adjust the stakes at points A, B, and E. (Figure 4)

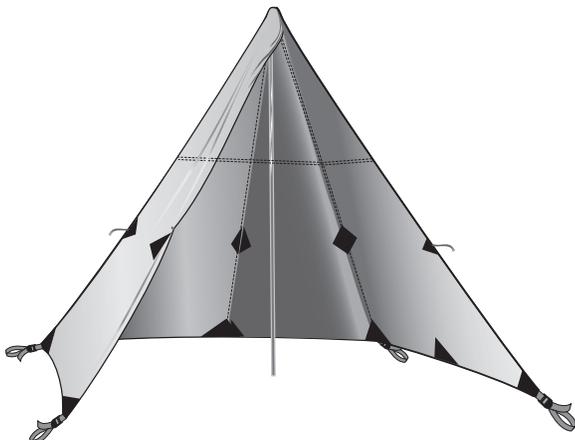


Figure 5: Four Sided Pitch

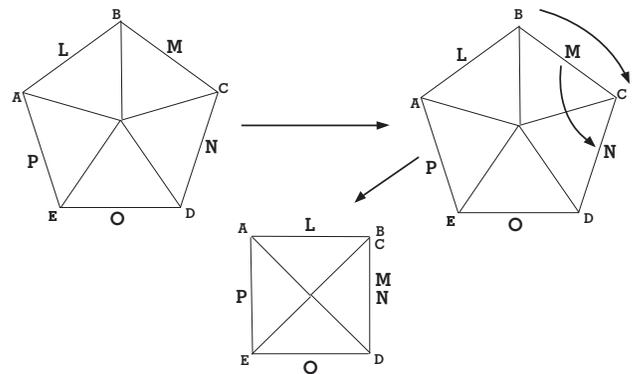


Figure 6: Four Sided Pitch

Four Sided Pitch (Figure 5 and Figure 6)

This configuration is useful if you require an increased peak height and smaller footprint. Again starting where we left off in the "Erect your Tarp" section you will need to follow these steps. First, un stake points A and B. Next you will need to stake down points B and C together and tie points M and N together (Figure 6). You will notice that the tarp now has some slack in it. Your next step is to adjust the pole to the longer length, which will reduce the amount of slack in that tarp. Finally, stake out point A and adjust the other stake out loops until you have achieved the desired tautness.