

## Model #6160 OWNER'S MANUAL



Grand Cabin Canvas Tent

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Important! For safe and proper assembly, use, and care, read and follow all instructions. Everyone who uses this tent should first read this manual.

# **WARNING**

## **No Fire**

This tent is flammable. Keep all flame and heat sources away from the tent fabric. Never place a stove, campfire, or any other flame source in, or near your tent. Never use, light, or refuel a stove, lantern, heater, or any other heat source inside your tent. Death by carbon monoxide poisoning and/or serious burns are possible.

## **Ventilation**

Maintain adequate ventilation inside your tent at all times. Death by suffocation is possible.

## **Anchor**

This tent is not free-standing. If not properly anchored it will collapse. Anchor your tent properly at all times to reduce the risk of loss or injury to the tent or occupants.

## **Campsite Choice**

Carefully consider the possibility of falling rocks or tree limbs, lightning strikes, flash floods, avalanches, strong winds, and other objective hazards when choosing a campsite to reduce the risk of loss or injury to the tent or occupants.

## **Children**

Do not leave children unattended inside a tent or camp. Do not allow children to assemble or disassemble the tent. Do not allow children to remain closed-up in a tent on hot days. Do not allow children to swing on, or hang from any part of this tent, or guylines.

Failure to follow these warnings may result in injury and/or death.

## **At least two adults are required for setup.**

This tent is heavy-duty, quite large, and thus heavy to lift. Take caution to use at least two adults, and proper posture when lifting or carrying this tent. Never drag or pull the tent body or tent bags, as this could cause abrasion damage.



## Before You Set Out

You should assemble this tent at home at least once before your trip to familiarize yourself with the process, and make sure all the parts are in good condition.

## IMPORTANT

1. After initial set-up, it is recommended that you spray the tent with water and allow it to dry completely. This “seasons” the canvas. The water causes the canvas to shrink slightly, closing the needle holes where the canvas was stitched. This process is only required once.
2. VERY IMPORTANT—The tent must be completely dry before storage! **STORING A WET OR DAMP TENT, EVEN FOR A SHORT TIME, CAN CAUSE MOLD THAT WILL RUIN THE TENT AND VOID THE WARRANTY.**

## Waterproofing

Kodiak Canvas tents are made with Hydra-Shield™ canvas that features superb water repellency. However, not all tents are completely waterproof out of the box. On occasion a new tent will experience some leaking. Over the life of the tent, occasional, waterproofing maintenance will be required. If leaking occurs, it is an easy fix. Treat the affected area with a *SILICONE* based waterproofing such as Kiwi Camp Dry®. This should absolutely take care of any leaks, and you should seldom have to retreat. Caution: Do not use other types of waterproofing such as Canvak® on this Hydra-Shield™ canvas, as it could affect the breathability of the canvas. When properly sealed, your expectation should be that a Kodiak Canvas tent will be completely dry inside, even during drenching rains.

### **Kodiak Canvas Limited Lifetime Warranty**

This product is warranted, to the original purchaser, to be free of defects in materials and workmanship for as long as you own the product. This product is made with quality materials and expert workmanship, but is not indestructible. This warranty does not cover damage attributed to or resulting from normal wear and tear (e.g. exhausted zippers), natural hazards (e.g. weather, animals), abuse (e.g. mold, mildew, burns, ultraviolet), or alterations or modifications of any kind. If your product is found defective, we will repair or replace it free of charge. Charges for shipping your product to Kodiak Canvas will be your responsibility. We reserve the right to make substitutions if parts are unavailable or obsolete. If your product needs repair beyond what is covered under warranty, we will provide parts and service at a reasonable charge.

This warranty gives you, the original purchaser, specific legal rights. You may also have other rights which vary from state to state. **Do not return your product until you have received authorization and instruction to do so.**

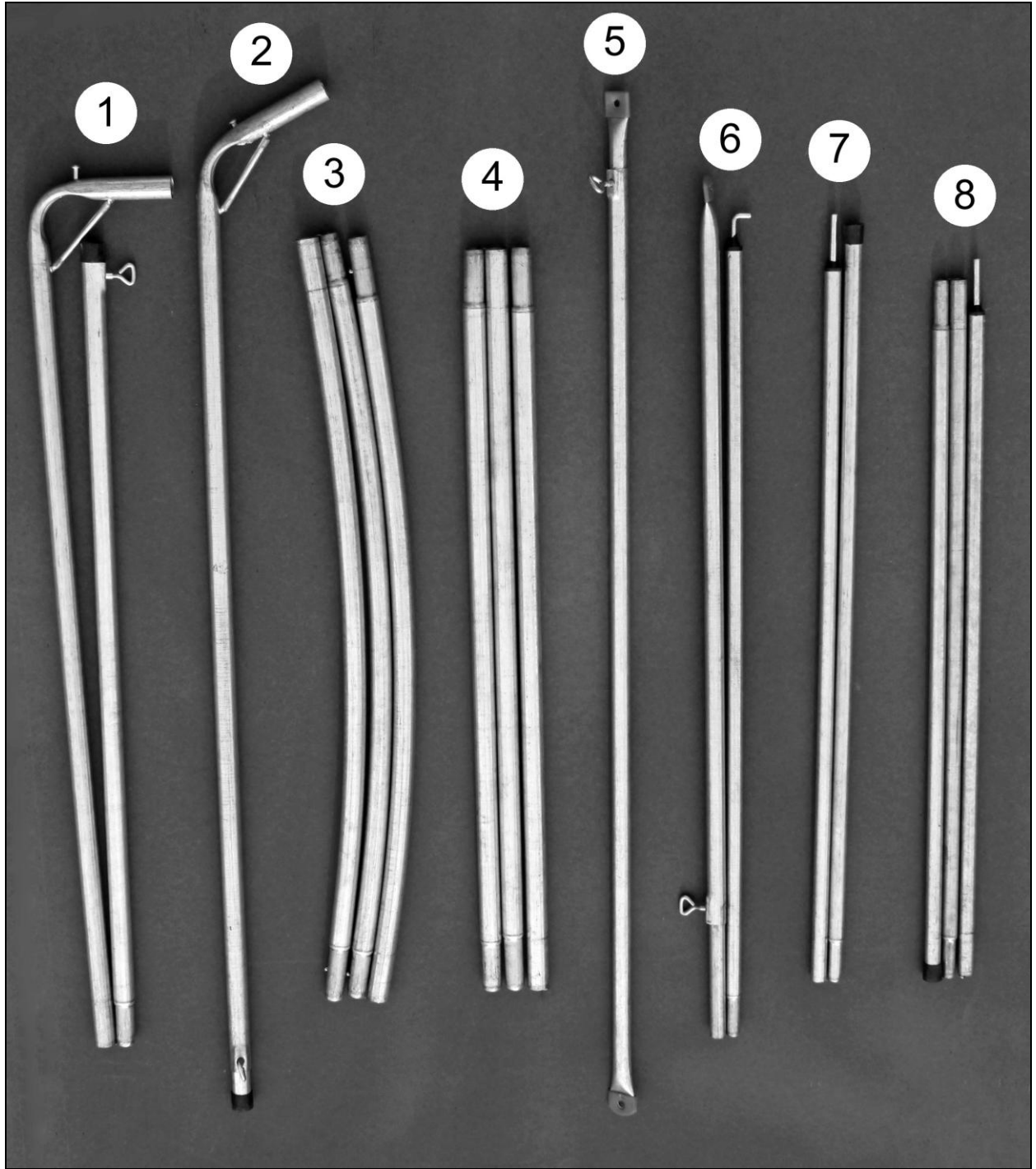
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## Component Checklist

Identify all components and make sure they are in good condition and working order.

<b>Part #</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Quantity</b>
<b>Poles</b>		
1	Center Upright	2
2	Corner Upright	8
3	Ridge Pole (Curved)	4
4	Center Ridge Pole (Straight)	1
5	Awning Gable Pole	2
6	Awning Ridge Pole	3
7	Awning Upright Pole	2
8	Awning Center Upright Pole	1
<b>Other</b>		
	Large Tent Stakes	23
	Small Tent Stakes	4
	Guy Lines	7
	Tent Bag	1
	Pole Bag	1
	Peg Bag	1
	Tent Body	1



Tent Poles

## Assembly Instructions

The use of protective gloves and eyewear is recommended during assembly.

### Step 1 - Stake the Tent

Stake each of the tent's four corners making sure that the tent is taut and square. Note: Do not stretch too tightly. Do not pull or yank on stake loops, or damage could occur. Continue to place a stake through each of the remaining stake loops.

#### Tips:

- Drive in stakes with the tip angling toward the tent. Secure the hooks on the end of the stakes over the tent stake loops.
- In soft sand or snow, use a dead-man anchor. Bury a horizontal piece of wood approximately 12 – 18 inches deep with a guyline connecting to the stake loop. **Make sure that the anchor is secure.**
- For windy conditions additional guylines should be used (sold separately). Secure guylines to tent frame, and tie to a tree, unmovable object, or stake into the ground. It is also recommended to face the narrow end of the tent into the wind.
- It is better be a little loose than too taut. Pull on the tent body not the stake loops.



#### **WARNING**

This tent is not free-standing. If not properly staked it will collapse. Be sure to securely anchor the tent.

## Step 2 - Install the Ridge Poles

Join all poles together. Note: The curved ridge poles (3) have push pins to lock them in place. Make sure the poles are properly inserted so the push pins securely lock. Unzip the doors to allow air to enter when you raise the tent. Slide the center ridge pole (4) through the sleeve that runs along the center of the roof. Slide the curved ridge poles (3) through the sleeves along both sides of the roof. See figure 1.

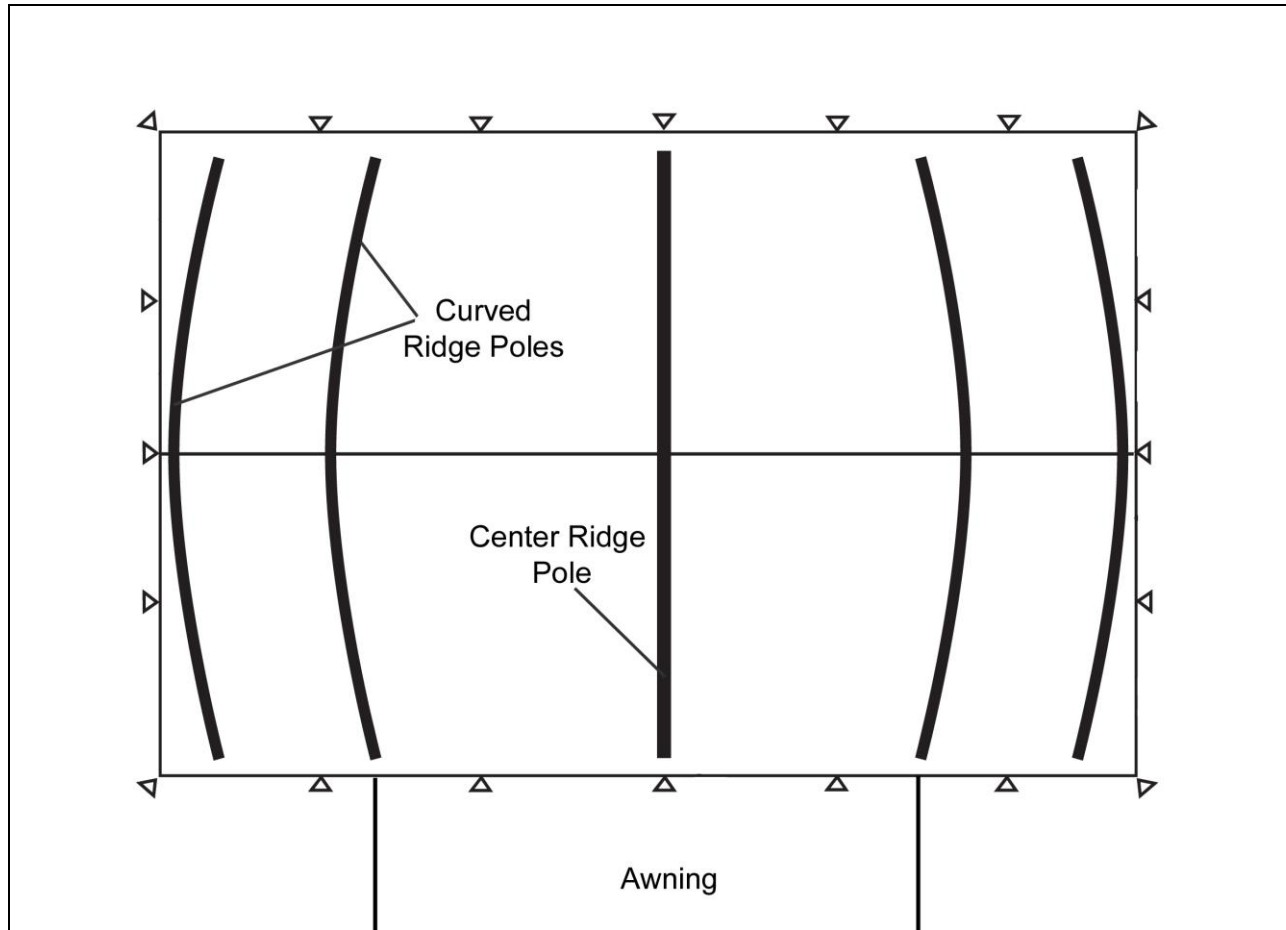


Figure 1

**CAUTION:** Do not force poles through the sleeves as this may damage the sleeve. Use caution to ensure the pole does not snag when sliding through the sleeve.

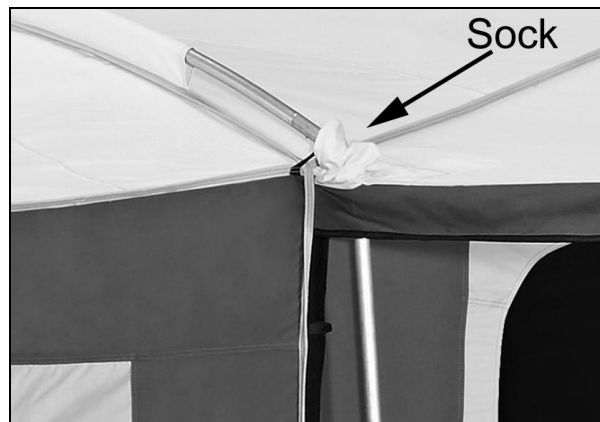
**Step 3 - Install the Upright Poles and Raise the Tent (requires at least two people)**

Starting on the ends, and working towards the center of the tent, connect the eight corner upright poles (2) to the ends of the curved ridge poles (3) making sure the push pins lock into position. Connect the two center uprights (1) to the center ridge pole (4).

The webbing loops should be positioned below the small posts on the top corner of the upright poles. See photo below.



Note: The three uprights that meet their ridge poles at the front awning have a canvas sock that they must pass through. Pass the angled bend on the uprights carefully through the sock from underneath the awning before attaching to their respective ridge pole.



Once the poles are attached, loosen the thumbscrew and extend the upright poles to the required length. Do not over-stretch, as this can stress and damage the tent. Tighten thumbscrews finger-tight. The bottom of the corner upright poles (2) will slant towards the center on all sides (see photo on cover).

**Tip:** To release the thumbscrews first remove the tension or weight from the pole then turn.



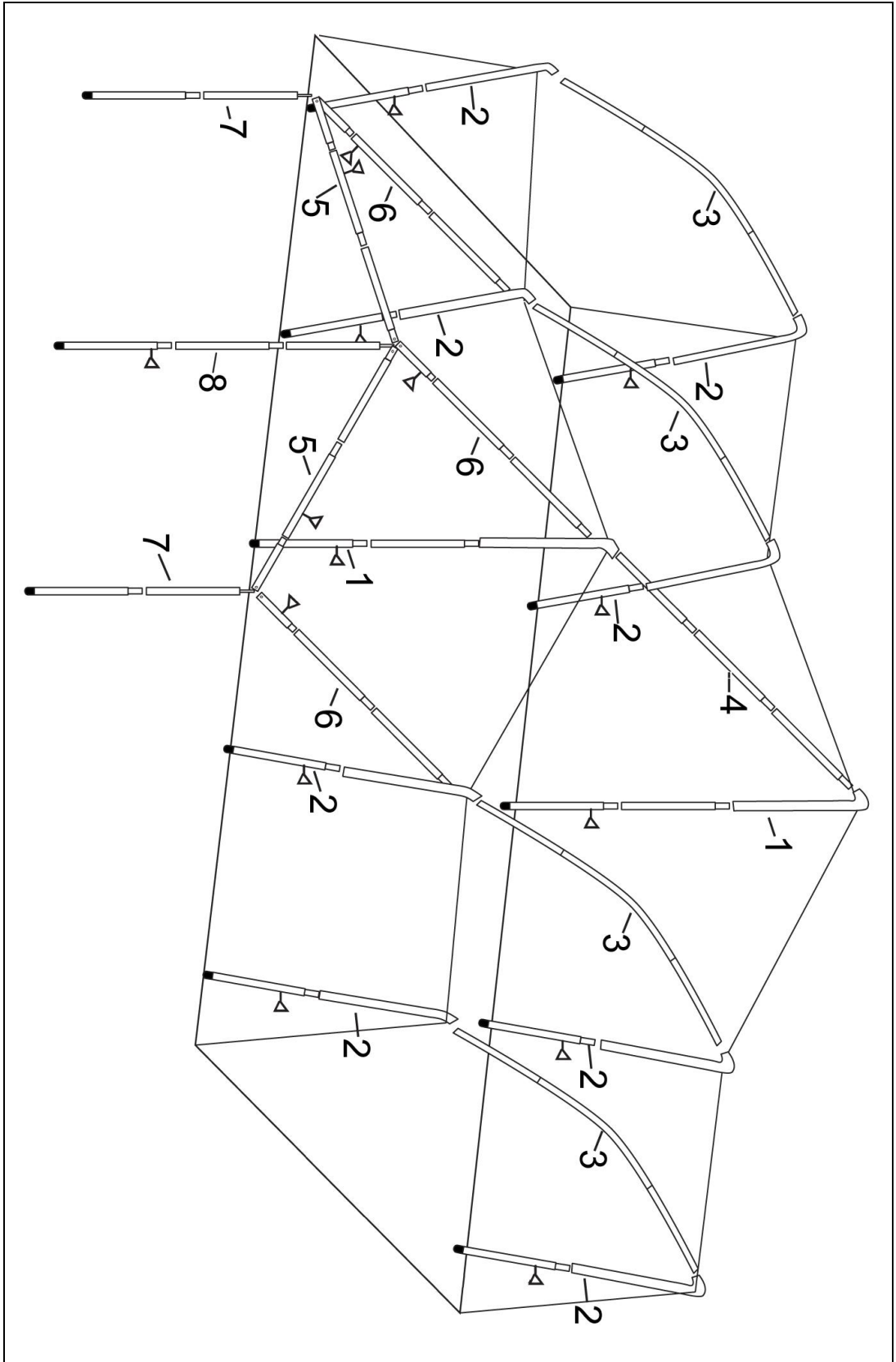
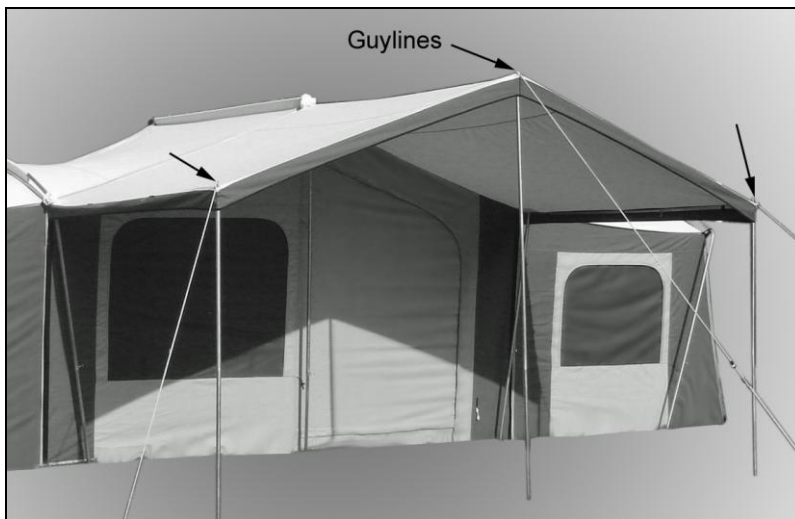


Figure 2. Frame Diagram

**Step 5 – Assembling the Awning (requires at least two people)**

Study the frame diagram, figure 2. Join together an awning ridge pole (6), then insert the angled post on the end into the hole just below the elbow on the center upright pole (1). You may need to lower the center upright so you can reach. Place the ends of the awning gable poles (5) over the post at the top of the awning center upright pole (8). All thumbscrews face down. Place the other end of the center awning ridge pole (6) over the post at the top of the awning upright center pole (8). Place the center grommet at the end of the awning over the post on the center upright pole. Tie a small loop at the end of a guyline and secure over the top of the post. Repeat the process on both ends assembling the other two awning ridge poles (6) to the corner awning uprights (7). Secure and stake with guylines. Secure Velcro-like tabs under the awning to the awning frame.



**Awning Enclosure #0665 (Sold Separately)**

Shorten the awning ridge poles and gables to loosen and provide some slack. Attach the edge of the enclosure to the tent wall using the velcro-like strip. Secure the top of the awning to the awning frame and insert the eyelet over the top of the post on the top of the awning uprights. Continue around and secure the other end to the tent with the velcro-like strip. Using the thumbscrews extend the awning ridge poles and gable poles until the awning and enclosure are taut. Secure the bottom of the enclosure with small stakes.



Grand Cabin with Awning Enclosure (#0665 Sold Separately)

IN WINDY CONDITIONS, ADDITIONAL GUY LINES (SOLD SEPARATELY) SHOULD BE USED TO SECURE THE TENT. **IN SEVERE CONDITIONS, THE TENT SHOULD BE TAKEN DOWN.**

### Gusseted Back Windows

The Grand Cabin tent is equipped with gusseted windows in the back. You can stake these out with the small stakes and guy-ropes provided. The purpose is to provide airflow and circulation when it is raining, or for added privacy. Gusseted windows can be staked out or zipped closed.

## Disassembly

### Requires at least two Adults

1. Sweep clean.
2. Empty all storage pockets.
3. Allow tent to dry completely! Zip down windows and allow tent to air out, and dry, inside and out.



#### CAUTION

VERY IMPORTANT—Your tent must be completely dry, inside and out, before storage! Your tent may be damp from condensation even if there has been no rain. Storing a wet or damp tent, even for a short time, can ruin it and void the warranty. This causes mold that will cause a bad odor, stain and deteriorate the canvas and its water repellency.

If you must take the tent down while still wet or damp, loosely roll it for transport. After transport, immediately unroll and set up or hang out to dry thoroughly before long-term storage.

4. Collapse the awning by removing the poles. One person should support the awning in place while the other removes the poles. Use special caution to not allow the awning ridge poles (6) to fall to the ground until the tips are removed from the upright poles (1 and 2)
5. Unzip doors and windows and collapse the tent, removing and disassembling the poles. Place the poles in the pole carry bag and tie shut.
6. Remove tent stakes. **DO NOT REMOVE TENT STAKES FROM THE GROUND BY PULLING ON TENT LOOPS!** This may cause damage to the tent and is not covered by warranty. Pull the tent stakes, not the loops.
7. Spread the tent out flat with all loose canvas folded within the edges of the tent base. Try to flatten the tent as much as possible.
8. Fold the tent in thirds lengthwise. Be sure to wipe and dry any mud or moisture from the bottom of the floor.
9. Roll tent tightly and place in bag.

**Tip:** Rather than lifting the rolled tent into the storage bag, place the storage bag over the rolled tent and then half roll, and zip.

## Care

- Your tent must be completely dry, inside and out, before storage! **STORING A WET OR DAMP TENT, EVEN FOR A SHORT TIME, CAN CAUSE MOLD AND RUIN IT AND VOID THE WARRANTY.**
- To clean tent, hose down with water and wipe with a cloth. Do not use soaps and detergents as they can damage the water-repellant treatment of the canvas.

- Do not spray insecticides or bug repellent directly on the canvas. This may damage the water-repellant treatment.
- For long-term storage, store in a cool, dry location that is not exposed to direct sunlight.
- This tent is equipped with quality zippers. To prolong zipper life, do not “grind” zippers around corners. If needed, hold the canvas windows or doors in place to help zippers glide smoothly. Keep zippers clean from dirt.
- The canvas on this tent has a special Hydra-Shield™ treatment that is watertight, yet breathable. Over the life of the tent, occasional, waterproofing maintenance will be required. If leaking occurs, it is an easy fix. Treat the affected area with a *SILICONE* based waterproofing such as Kiwi Camp Dry®.
- Winter camping can be an enjoyable experience in a Kodiak Canvas tent. However, this tent is not designed for heavy snow accumulations.
- For extended use situations (more than three consecutive weeks) see “Extended use Care” at [www.KodiakCanvas.com](http://www.KodiakCanvas.com)

## Other Notes

- Condensation inside the tent is affected by the difference between inside and outside temperatures, and humidity. Condensation can be reduced by venting your tent. Condensation between the floor and a sleeping mat can be reduced by placing a ground cloth underneath the tent.
- Some slight irregularities are normal with 100% cotton canvas and will not affect the performance of your tent.

We appreciate your business. Thank you for purchasing a Kodiak Canvas™ tent. We put our pride into the design and manufacturing of this product. It is the best of its kind available. We wish you safe and happy camping. Please tell your friends about us.