



DARCHE ECLIPSE **PULLOUT AWNING**

Darche's Awning can be fitted in a number of different ways to different types of roof bars / rails and roof racks.

- Tools required Spanners & socket set Pliers & side cutters
 - Screwdrivers
- Drill and drill bits

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Thank you for purchasing a Darche Eclipse Pullout Awning

Before installing and using your awning, please thoroughly read the instructions and warnings below. Should you have any questions or require assistance, contact your Darche retailer, or call our customer service line: 1300 367 695. In order to familiarise yourself with the awning, we recommend that you unpack and set up this awning at home before camping use.

Inspections: During trips <u>regularly check</u> that all nuts and bolts attaching your Awning to your vehicle are tight and in good repair.



WARNING: ENSURE SUFFICIENT AWNING FALL FOR WATER RUN-OFF IS PROVIDED.

GUY ROPES PRESENT AS TRIP HAZARDS IN DAY OR NIGHT CONDITIONS. WE STRONGLY SUGGEST THAT ALL STORM GUY ROPES ARE ATTACHED AND PEGGED TO THE GROUND. UNEXPECTED WIND GUSTS COULD CAUSE SEVERE STRESS ON ALLOY POLES CAUSING FAILURE.



SAFETY WARNING



DO NOT ATTEMPT TO SETUP AWNING IN WINDY CONDITIONS.

ALL STORM GUY ROPES MUST BE ATTACHED AND PEGGED TO THE GROUND AT ALL TIMES.

GUY ROPES ARE TRIP HAZARDS IN THE DAY AND NIGHT.

KEEP ALL FLAME AND HEAT SOURCES AWAY FROM THE AWNING MATERIALS.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCE SHOULD ANY NAKED FLAME SOURCES OR HEATING DEVICES
BE USED UNDER OR NEAR THE AWNING.

KEEP CAMP FIRES WELL AWAY FROM AWNING.

KEEP A LOOK OUT FOR ANY AIRBORNE BURNING EMBERS THAT MAY COME INTO CONTACT WITH THE AWNING.

KEEP A FIRE EXTINGUISHER OR WATER BUCKET NEARBY.

DO NOT SMOKE WITHIN THE AWNING.

DO NOT OPERATE ANY DEVICE WHICH BURNS FUEL INSIDE OF THE AWNING.

KEEP EXIT CLEAR.

FITTING GUIDE

Your Darche roll out awning has been designed for a universal fit with most makes and models of four wheel drives and commercial vehicles. Your awning can be mounted in 3 different styles as outlined below, and has been packed with a fixing kit. Your awning can either be mounted directly to a roof rack, to roof cross bars, or mounted directly to a reinforced steel/alloy canopy. It is important when mounting the awning to ensure it is positioned to allow sufficient clearance for the vehicle doors to open.

Option 1 - Mounting directly to a roof rack

- 1.1 Slide the small bolts into the mounting rail of the awning, as seen in the picture to the right.
- 1.2 With help from another person, hold the awning in place and mark the mounting holes for the awning. It is best to have the mounting bolts as far apart as possible.
- 1.3 Carefully drill the holes into the roof rack.
- 1.4 Align awning into desired position and tighten the nuts.
- 1.5 Re-check all nuts and bolts periodically.
- 1.6 Alternatively if mounting the awning to a roof top tent rack the "L" shaped brackets may be used as seen on page 3 (Similar to option 2), by bolting the long side of these brackets to the underside of the flat plates where the roof rack meets the roof rack brackets.





Option 2 - Mounting directly to roof cross bars

- 2.1 Ensure that the roof bars are of enough distance apart to provide sufficient stability.
- 2.2 Align the long side of the "L" shaped brackets on to the roof bars as seen to the right, with the brackets in suitable position to allow easy access to the awning, without it protruding to far from the side of the vehicle.
- 2.3 Mark the holes and centre punch.
- 2.4 Drill the holes to clear the long bolts.
- 2.5 Bolt the "L" shaped brackets to the roof bars.
- 2.6 Slide the head of the small bolts into the mounting rail of the awning.
- 2.7 With help from another person, position the awning onto the "L" shaped brackets and install the nuts.
- Align awning into desired position and tighten all nuts and bolts from Steps 2.1-2.7.
- 2.9 Re-check all nuts and bolts periodically.





Option 3 - Mounting directly to a reinforced steel /alloy canopy

- 3.1 If mounting directly to the roof of a canopy or trailer it is recommended that the "L" shaped into the brackets are mounted cross braces built into the canopy and not directly the sheet metal, as this will support the weight of the awning correctly.
- 3.2 Slide the smaller bolts into the mounting rail of the awning.
- 3.3 Loosely bolt the short side of the "L" shaped brackets to the canopy.
- 3.4 With help from another person, position the awning on the canopy. Ensure the brackets are square, in line and ensure the awning will be able to function correctly. It is best to have the 2 brackets separated as far as possible for stability.
- 3.5 Mark the mounting holes and remove the awning.
- 3.6 Drill the holes in the canopy to clear the mounting bolts.
- 3.7 Refit the awning to the canopy with the bolts supplied.
- 3.8 Align awning into desired position and tighten all nuts and bolts from Steps 3.1-3.6.
- 3.9 Re-check all nuts and bolts periodically.

4. Setup Procedure

- 4.1 Undo the zipper on the protective bag and whilst holding the awning in place, release the captive buckles.
- 4.2 Still holding the awning, gently swing out both awning rafter arms slightly past 90° away from the vehicle to allow the awning to roll out between them.
- 4.3 Holding the awning in your hands, unroll it to its full length, taking care as you get to the end as the 2 legs may have come loose during travel. Pull the extensions of the rafter arms out longer as you unroll the awning.
- 4.4 Carefully release the legs from inside the channel, and with one hand holding the centre of the awning, set each leg to the desired height and twist the bottom half of the leg to lock.
- 4.5 Whilst holding the awning end beam with one arm, silde out each rather arm, aligning the end pin into the end beam holes and twist the arm to lock in position.
- 4.6 Fix the awning material to the rather arms using the Velcro straps.
- 4.7 Using the pegs and guy ropes secure the awning front beam diagonally outwards to secure the legs.
- 4.8 Pack away is a reverse of the steps 4.1-4. 7. Be sure to roll the awning material underneath itself. Avoid packing away the awning wet, if the awning has been stored wet, open it and allow it to dry.
- 4.9 Always set up awning with sufficient angle to allow the water to run off and not pool on top of the awning.

5. Care Instructions

CLEANING

Clean with cold fresh clean water and a soft brush.



WARNING: DO NOT USE SOAPS OR DETERGENTS ON THE AWNING. DO NOT EXPOSE TO PETROLS, OILS OR HARSH CHEMICALS.

STORING

Avoid creases and seams when rolling up the awning. Correct storage is vital. If the awning was dismantled when wet, then it must be dried as soon as possible.

INCORRECT STORAGE IS NOT COVERED BY THE WARRANTY.

SUITABILITY

The awning has been designed for general camping use in normal conditions.



WARNING: NOT SUITABLE FOR EXTREME CONDITIONS.

WARNING - DISCLAIMER

Any elements applied on the vehicle roof changes the normal vehicle handling. The manufacturer disclaims all responsibility in case of accidents due to improper use, wrong maintenence, or not checking the tightness of the fastening hardware/brackets on the roof rack system.

Darche Outdoor Gear - The wholesaler / manufacturer shall not be liable for special, indirect incidental or consequential damages.

3 YEAR WARRANTY

Darche will replace or repair any Darche product at its discretion that is subject to faulty manufacturing or workmanship including materials.

EXCLUSIONS: The above warranty is limited to manufacturing and materials defects. Not including damage caused by misuse or abuse, wear and tear, condensation, extreme weather, accidents, incorrect set up, damage caused by mould, insects, animals or children. This also excludes damage caused by a jammed, snagged zipper or excessive force applied to zipper causing failure.

MAKING A CLAIM: Please ensure you retain your sales receipt of purchase. To make a claim in relation to the above manufacturer's warranty, please complete the claim form at www.darche.com.au/warranty. If you require additional assistance, phone 1300 367 695 or email warranty@darche.com.au to discuss and arrange your claim. Product subject to warranty will be sent to Darche, 75 Heyington Avenue, Thomastown, Victoria 3074. All freight costs associated with return of product for assessment is payable by consumer.

CONSUMER RIGHTS: Our goods come with guarantees that cannot be excluded under Australian law. You are entitled to a replacement or refund for a major failure and for compensation for any other reasonably foreseeable loss or damage. You are also entitled to have goods repaired or replaced if the goods fail to be of acceptable quality and failure does not amount to a major failure.

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