

Hammock Camping

The Basics

1.

Look for sturdy trees about 12–15 ft (3.6–4.6 m) apart.

2.

Attach 1–2 in (2.5–5 cm) wide webbing straps around trees (to protect the bark) about 6 ft (1.8 m) high to create attachment points.

3.

Hammock rope can be lashed directly to the webbing, tied to a carabiner, looped through a toggle, or in many other configurations.

4.

Attempt a 30° angle from the hammock line to the tree.

5.

Keep the hammock about chair height, 12–18 in (31–46 cm), above the ground.

Add a tarp for rain and wind protection.

7.

6.

A ridgeline helps make a perfect pitch.

Carabiner

Detail of webbing with sewn, looped ends.

Bug Net

Toggle

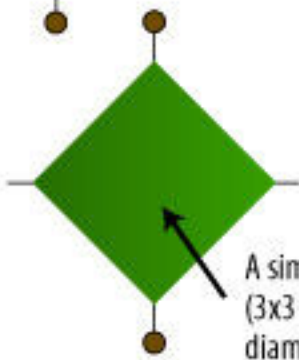


No need to worry about uneven, rocky, wet, muddy, bug-infested ground again!

Birds-eye View

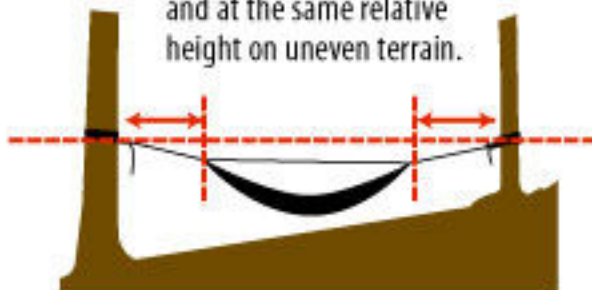


Sleep in a hammock at a slight angle to lay mostly flat and cozy.

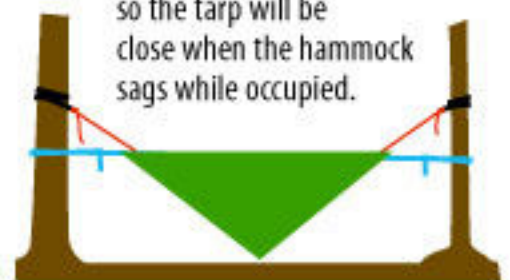


A simple 10x10 ft (3x3 m) tarp in a diamond pitch.

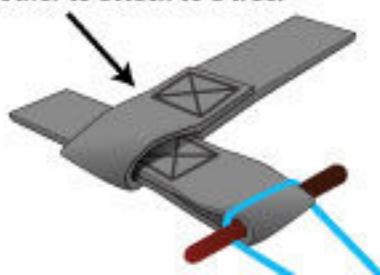
Generally speaking, the hammock should be hung evenly between the trees and at the same relative height on uneven terrain.



The tarp ridgeline should be tied below the hammock straps so the tarp will be close when the hammock sags while occupied.



Looped webbing can be threaded through each other to attach to a tree.



More information about hammock camping at hammockforums.net

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