

SHERPA™ USER GUIDE



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WELCOME TO RACK LOVE™

You have made the right choice. We take Rack Love seriously at Kuat and because you are reading this, you likely do too. The Sherpa was designed to maximize your riding experience by offering: a strong, light weight, compact, easy to use rack, that's built to last a lifetime. We understand direction pages can quickly find their way into recycle bins. Kuat asks that you take the time to learn about your Sherpa prior to hitting the road.

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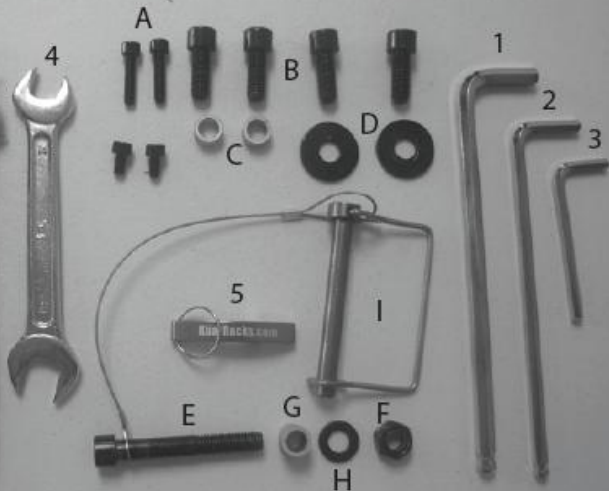
After some debate in the Kūat boardroom (aka- local trailhead parking lot) we decided to get the Important stuff out of the way first, so before you use this rack READ THIS PAGE.



DO: place the front tire clamp next to the front fork.

DON'T: place the front tire clamp at an angle on the tire

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Hardware List

- A) 2- 6mm screws
- B) 4- 10mm screws
- C) 2- small 10mm spacers
- D) 2- large 10mm washers
- E) 1- 10mm x 70mm bolt
- F) 1- 10mm lock nut
- G) 1- large 10mm spacer
- H) 1- small 10mm washer
- I) 1- pin with lanyard

Tool list

- 1) 1- #8 Allen wrench
- 2) 1- #6 Allen wrench
- 3) 1- #4 Allen wrench
- 4) 1- #14 & 17 box wrench
- 5) 1- Kuat bottle opener

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Hitch tube

Cable lock

Front tire cradles

Hitch lock

Rear tire cradles

Front tire clamps

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Important note: The front tire clamp without the "Küat" sticker goes on the tray closest to the vehicle



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Insert front tire clamp



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Use large 10mm washer and thread in 10mm bolt. Do not tighten, just start the threads



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Place small 10mm spacer over 10mm bolt and start threads.



After 10mm bolt with spacer is 50% threaded rotate front tire clamp arm to expose 6mm hole.

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Thread 6mm bolt . Tighten all bolts with appropriate Allen wrench.



Repeat step om remaining arm.

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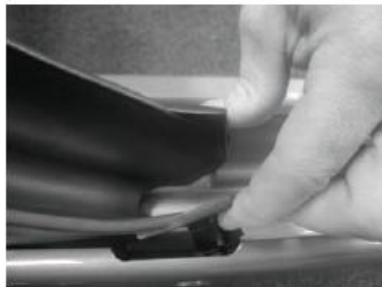
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Place the groove on the back of the front tire cradle into aluminum tubing



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Squeeze the front of the cradle. Rock down into position



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Make sure the cradle has fully engaged by pinching the cradle and aluminum tubing



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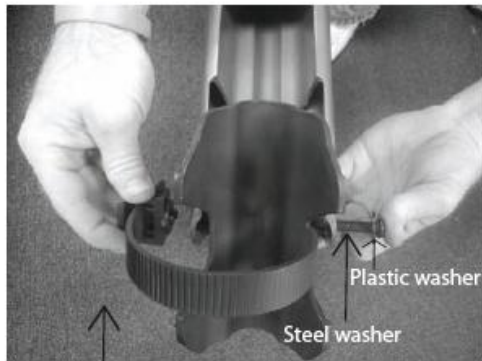
Remove rear tire cradle bolt and two washers with #4 Allen wrench. Keep the strap attached to ratchet.



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Place rear tire cradle into rack holes and insert bolt. Tighten bolt with Allen wrench until the cradle will not spin freely. Do not over tighten.



Bikes need to load from the ratchet side

Turn rack upside down for hitch assembly

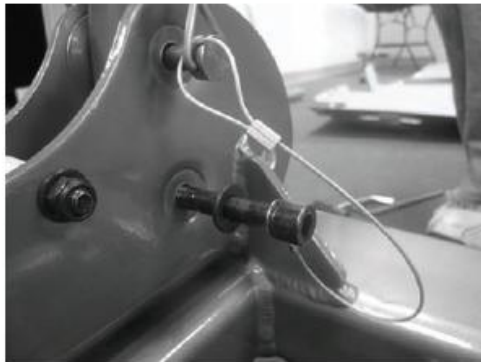
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Insert pin with lanyard through bracket and hitch post. Pin should be inserted from drivers side of vehicle.



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Place lanyard on bolt, then washer, and insert through bracket and hitch post. Bolt should be inserted from drivers side.



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Insert large aluminum sleeve over 10mm bolt. The sleeve will go through the bracket and press against the hitch post.



13

Tighten lock nut against aluminum sleeve.



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Insert hitch tube into receiver until the holes align. Insert hitch lock pin. Do not lock hitch lock if you intend to use lock cable. Tighten knob to reduce movement in vehicle hitch.



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Loop rear tire of bike through rear tire cradle. The cradle will self adjust as your bike tire rests into position.



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Rotate front tire cradle prior to loading bike. When front tire is in place, rotate over tire and push clamp down to secure. You do not need to over tighten.



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Rotate over tire and secure wheel. Remember to place tire clamp next to the front fork of your bike.



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Loop lock cable through end bike. Small loop on cable attaches to the hitch lock.



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Place small end of cable loop over hitch pin. Lock hitch.



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To access rear of vehicle, pull pin and lower rack until it stops.



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20-24" Tire adapter

A

Take apart hook adapter. Place half on one side of hook and second half on opposing side.



B

Insert the three screws and nuts on either side of the hook adapter and tighten with supplied wrench.



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WARNINGS

1. This rack is designed to carry 2 bikes with a total weight not to exceed 100 pounds
2. Follow instructions for proper mounting procedure
3. Do not off road
4. Do not take carrier through automatic car wash
5. Make sure your vehicle hitch is in good working condition
6. Do not use hitch extenders with this product
7. Place front tire clamp next to front fork
8. Do not haul 20-24" wheeled bikes without hook adapter

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Warranty

Kuat Innovations offers a lifetime guaranty that certifies our racks to be free of defects in material and/or craftsmanship. The following conditions apply:

- 1) Warranty applies to original owner.
- 2) Warranty does not cover excessive wear and tear, accidental damage or abuse.
- 3) Repair and replacement of any part is at Kuat Innovations' discretion.
- 4) All repairs made to the main structure must be done by a Kuat technician.
- 5) All claims must be shipped prepaid.

If you have any problems with your rack please contact Kuat directly by calling toll free (877)-822-KUAT, or by e-mail:

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