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Quechua Arpenaz 2 Tent User Manual

Model: Arpenaz 2

Introduction

The Quechua Arpenaz 2 Tent is designed for two persons, offering a balance of comfort, durability, and ease of use for camping and hiking. This tent features effective ventilation to minimize condensation, robust wind resistance up to 50 km/h, and a flysheet with SPF 30 UV protection. Its waterproof design ensures protection against heavy rain, making it a reliable shelter for various outdoor conditions.
Proper setup and maintenance are crucial for the tent's performance and longevity. This manual will guide you through each step, from initial assembly to care and storage.



Figure 1: The Quechua Arpenaz 2 Tent, fully assembled and ready for use.

Included Components

Before beginning assembly, ensure all components are present:

- **Flysheet:** The outer waterproof layer (blue).
- **Inner Tent (Bedroom):** The breathable inner compartment (grey/white).
- **Groundsheet:** Integrated polyethylene base for the inner tent.
- **Fibreglass Poles:** Two sets of hollow fibreglass poles (7.9mm and 8.5mm diameters) for structural support.
- **Tent Pegs:** For securing the tent to the ground.
- **Guy Ropes:** For additional stability in windy conditions.
- **Storage Case:** Cylindrical case for packing and transport.

Setup Instructions

The Arpenaz 2 Tent features a free-standing structure, making setup straightforward and quick, typically under 10 minutes.

1. **Choose Your Site:** Select a flat, clear area free from sharp objects.
2. **Unpack and Lay Out Inner Tent:** Remove the tent from its storage case. Unroll and spread out the inner tent on the chosen site. Ensure the integrated groundsheet is flat.
3. **Assemble Poles:** Connect the sections of the fibreglass poles. There are two main poles.
4. **Insert Poles into Inner Tent:** Slide the assembled poles through the sleeves on the inner tent. The pole curve design helps maximize internal space.



Figure 2: Inner tent with poles inserted, forming the basic structure.

5. **Raise and Secure Inner Tent:** Insert the ends of the poles into the grommets or pins at the corners of the inner tent. This will raise the inner tent into its dome shape.
6. **Drape Flysheet:** Carefully drape the blue flysheet over the erected inner tent. Align the doors and vents.
7. **Attach Flysheet to Poles/Inner Tent:** Secure the flysheet to the poles or inner tent using the clips, buckles, or ties provided. Ensure it is taut and evenly distributed.

8. **Peg Down Tent:** Use the tent pegs to secure the corners of the groundsheet and the flysheet's attachment points to the ground.
9. **Deploy Guy Ropes:** In windy conditions, extend and peg down the guy ropes for additional stability. Adjust tensioners to keep ropes taut.



Figure 3: The tent with the flysheet fully deployed and door closed.

Operating Your Tent

- **Ventilation:** The tent features a high-up back vent and space between the flysheet and the floor. Keep these areas clear to allow air circulation, which helps reduce condensation inside the bedroom.
- **Entrance/Exit:** The outer door has a vertical zip. The inner tent has a 'D' shaped zip. The outer door can be rolled up and secured to the pole to keep it open.
- **UV Protection:** The flysheet fabric filters UV rays with an SPF of 30. However, be aware that significant UV rays can enter through an open door. Always protect your skin from direct sun exposure.
- **Capacity:** The tent is designed for two persons and is compatible with mattresses up to 120cm wide. Each person has approximately 60cm of sleeping width.

Care and Maintenance

Proper care extends the life of your tent:

1. **Cleaning:** If needed, clean the tent with soapy water. Rinse thoroughly (a hose can be used if available). Ensure the tent is completely dry before packing away.
2. **Tree Sap Stains:** Tree sap can be difficult to remove. Once the stain is fully dry, gently scratch it off while holding an ice cube on the inside of the fabric. This makes the sap brittle and easier to remove.
3. **Storage:** After use or cleaning, do not store your tent until it is perfectly dry. Storing a damp tent can lead to unpleasant odours and mould formation. Store in a cool, dry place.

4. **Waterproofing:** The tent's waterproofing is designed to withstand 200 litres/hour/sqm (200mm/hour) for 4 hours. Avoid using harsh chemicals or abrasive cleaners that could damage the waterproof coating.

Troubleshooting

- **Condensation Inside Tent:** Ensure all vents are open and clear. Proper air circulation between the inner tent and flysheet is essential to minimize natural condensation. Avoid cooking inside the tent.
- **Tent Instability in Wind:** Ensure all tent pegs are firmly driven into the ground. Deploy and properly tension all guy ropes. The tent is tested to remain habitable under wind speeds of 50 km/h when properly assembled.
- **Water Seepage:** While the tent is highly waterproof, ensure all zips are fully closed and storm flaps are properly positioned. Check that the flysheet is taut and not touching the inner tent, as this can create contact points for water transfer.
- **Difficulty Assembling Poles:** Ensure pole sections are fully seated. If poles are stiff, gently twist rather than force. Check for any dirt or debris in the ferrules.

Specifications

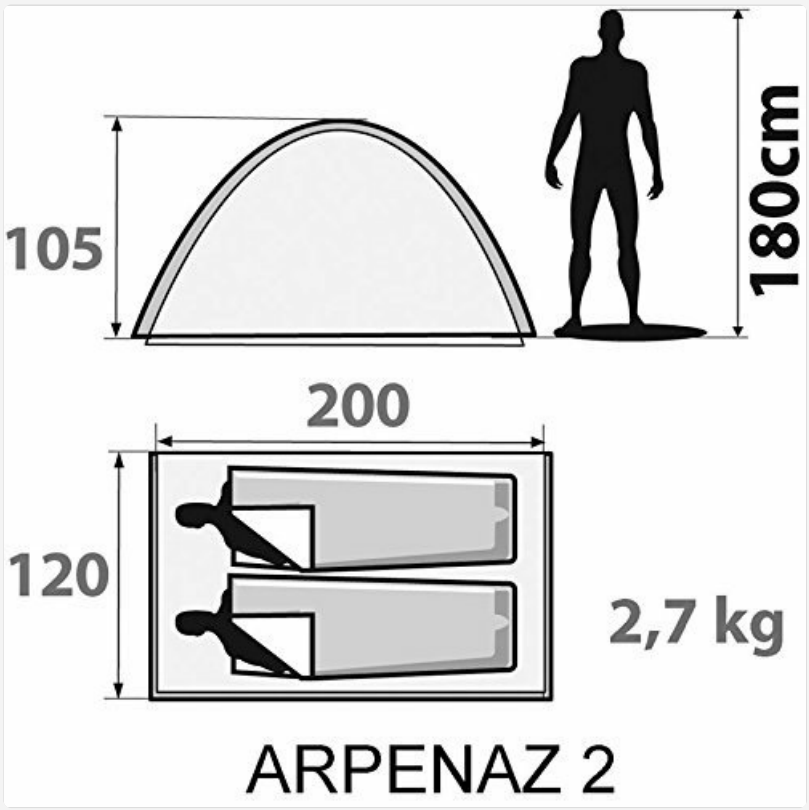

Figure 4: Tent dimensions and packed weight.

Feature	Detail
Model	Arpenaz 2
Occupancy	2 Person
Dimensions (Room)	120 cm (width) x 205 cm (length)
Max Headroom	110 cm

Folded Dimensions (Storage Case)	16 cm (diameter) / 57 cm (length)
Weight	2 kg 220 g
Flysheet Material	2000mm schmerber PU-coated polyester
Inner Tent Material	Breathable polyester
Groundsheet Material	Polyethylene (120g/sqm)
Pole Material	Fibreglass (7.9mm and 8.5mm diameters)
Water Resistance	200 litres/hour/sqm (200mm/hour) for 4 hours (whole tent)
Wind Resistance	Habitable under 50 km/h wind at ground level (properly assembled)
UV Protection	Flysheet filters UV rays with SPF 30

Warranty Information

Warranty terms and conditions for the Quechua Arpenaz 2 Tent are typically provided at the point of purchase. Please refer to your purchase receipt or the product packaging for specific warranty details and duration. For any warranty claims, retain your proof of purchase.

Support and Contact

For further assistance, product inquiries, or technical support regarding your Quechua Arpenaz 2 Tent, please visit the official Quechua website or contact their customer service department. Contact information can usually be found on the brand's official website or on your product packaging.

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