

Kelty 40831522MNV

Kelty Backroads Shelter (Fiberglass Frame) Instruction Manual

Model: 40831522MNV

INTRODUCTION

Welcome to your new Kelty Backroads Shelter. This manual provides detailed instructions for the proper setup, operation, maintenance, and care of your shelter. Please read thoroughly before first use to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience.

SAFETY INFORMATION

- **Fire Safety:** Keep all flame and heat sources away from the shelter fabric. The fabric is not fireproof.
- **Ventilation:** Ensure adequate ventilation to prevent suffocation. Do not use fuel-burning devices inside the shelter.
- **Weather Conditions:** Securely stake and guy out the shelter in windy conditions. Do not use in extreme weather conditions such as heavy snow, strong winds, or lightning storms.
- **Assembly:** Always assemble the shelter with at least two people to prevent injury and ensure proper setup.
- **Children:** Keep children away from the shelter during assembly and disassembly. Do not allow children to play unsupervised inside the shelter.

WHAT'S INCLUDED

Verify that all components are present before beginning assembly:

- Backroads Shelter Fabric
- Fiberglass Pole Frame (3 poles)
- Steel Stakes
- Sturdy Storage Duffel (Sharkmouth Duffel stuff sack)
- Roof Rack Attachment Straps

SETUP INSTRUCTIONS

Follow these steps for proper assembly of your Kelty Backroads Shelter:

1. **Unpack and Layout:** Remove the shelter from its stuff sack and lay it flat on a clear, level surface next to your vehicle. Ensure the attachment side is facing the vehicle.

2. **Assemble Poles:** Connect the fiberglass pole sections to form the three main poles.
3. **Insert Poles:** Slide each pole through the fabric sleeves on the shelter. The Kelty Quick Corners system assists with easy pole insertion.
4. **Attach to Vehicle:** Position the shelter against your vehicle (SUV, truck, van, or hatchback). Use the universal attachment system to secure the shelter to your vehicle. This typically involves straps that connect to wheels, roof racks, or other secure points on the vehicle.
5. **Raise and Secure:** Carefully raise the shelter, ensuring the poles are properly seated. Stake down the corners and guy lines firmly into the ground to provide stability. Adjust tension as needed.



Image: The Kelty Backroads Shelter fully set up and attached to the rear of a white SUV.

GET ATTACHED, FALL IN LOVE



**Universal vehicle attachment
system easily connects on side
or rear of most vehicles**

Image: Detail of the universal vehicle attachment system, showing straps securing the shelter to a vehicle's wheel.

FLEXIBLE SANCTUARY



Adjustable side walls allows various staking options + additional protection

Image: The robust exterior frame of the shelter, highlighting the oversized fiberglass poles for durability.

Setup Video Guide

Video: Official setup guide for the Kelty Backroads Shelter, demonstrating the assembly process.

OPERATING THE SHELTER

The Kelty Backroads Shelter is designed for versatility and comfort.

- **Zippered Entry:** The shelter features a large zippered entry door for easy access. This door also includes a mesh window for ventilation and insect protection.
- **Adjustable Sidewalls:** The sidewalls can be adjusted and staked in various configurations to provide additional protection from wind, sun, or rain, or to create more open space.
- **Ventilation:** Utilize the mesh window and adjustable sidewalls to manage airflow and reduce condensation inside the shelter.

COVER YOUR CREW



**Large entryway door with
zippered mesh window**

Image: The large entryway door of the shelter, featuring a zippered mesh window for ventilation.

MADE IN THE SHADE



**Spacious & floorless
shelter provides sanctuary
from the elements**

Image: An interior view demonstrating the spaciousness of the shelter, suitable for multiple people.

MAINTENANCE

Proper care will extend the life of your Kelty Backroads Shelter:

- **Cleaning:** Wipe clean after each use with a damp cloth. Avoid harsh detergents or abrasive cleaners, as these can damage the fabric and coatings.
- **Drying:** Ensure the shelter is thoroughly dry before packing away to prevent mildew and odors. Hang or lay flat in a well-ventilated area.
- **Storage:** Store the shelter in a cool, dry place, away from direct sunlight and damp environments. Prolonged exposure to UV rays can degrade fabric over time.
- **Pole Care:** Inspect poles for damage or bending regularly. Clean any dirt from pole sections and ferrules.

TROUBLESHOOTING

- **Poles Not Fitting:** Ensure all pole sections are fully connected and that you are inserting them into the correct sleeves. Sometimes rotating a pole section can help it slide into place.
- **Shelter Not Taut:** Check that all stakes are firmly in the ground and guy lines are properly tensioned. Adjust the attachment points to the vehicle if necessary to achieve optimal tautness.
- **Water Leakage:** While the shelter is waterproof, prolonged heavy rain or improper setup can lead to leaks. Inspect seams for damage. Ensure the shelter is pitched correctly to allow water runoff. Seam sealer can be applied to worn seams if needed.
- **Condensation:** Condensation is natural in shelters. Ensure adequate ventilation by opening the mesh window or adjusting sidewalls to minimize its effects.

SPECIFICATIONS



Image: Visual representation of the shelter's dimensions and packed size.

Feature	Detail
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Model Name	Kelty Backroads Shelter
Model Number	40831522MNV
Capacity	6 Person
Item Weight	11 lbs 9 oz (5.24 kg)
Product Dimensions (L x W x H)	96"L x 72"W x 108"H (244cm x 183cm x 274cm)
Packed Size	24" x 9" x 7" (61cm x 23cm x 18cm)
Floor Area	56 Square Feet
Peak Height	Variable (80-108 inches / 203-274 cm)
Pole Material	Fiberglass (3 poles)
Fabric Type	68D Polyester
Water Resistance	600 mm (Waterproof)
UV Protection	Yes
Assembly Time	Approximately 10 Minutes

WARRANTY

Kelty products are backed by a warranty against defects in materials and workmanship. For specific details regarding your product's warranty coverage, please refer to the official Kelty website or contact customer support. Keep your proof of purchase for warranty claims.

SUPPORT

If you have any questions, require assistance with setup, or need to report a defect, please contact Kelty customer support through their official website or the contact information provided with your purchase. Online resources, including FAQs and additional guides, may also be available.

ASK A QUESTION ABOUT THIS MANUAL

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Question

Example: How do I reset this device or fix this error?

Details

Model number, symptoms, what you tried, or the section of the manual you are using.

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