

Thule Santu

Thule Santu Hitch Cargo Box Instruction Manual

Model: Santu (909401)

1. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Thule Santu is a premium hard-shell hitch cargo box designed to expand your vehicle's carrying capacity. It is specifically engineered to fit on Thule Epos and Thule EasyFold XT bike carriers, allowing for versatile transport of cargo, bikes, or both (with Thule Epos 3B). This cargo box offers 9 cubic feet of internal volume and a 99lb weight capacity, making it ideal for various outdoor activities and travel needs.

- Premium hard-shell construction for durability and protection.
- Compatible with Thule Epos and Thule EasyFold XT bike carriers (2-bike and 3-bike versions).
- Features a grab handle and built-in wheels for easy transport when detached.
- Designed for single-person attachment to the bike carrier.
- Low-to-ground design ensures ergonomic and easy loading/unloading.

2. SETUP AND INSTALLATION

Follow these steps to properly install your Thule Santu Hitch Cargo Box onto a compatible Thule bike carrier.

1. Ensure your Thule Epos or EasyFold XT bike carrier is securely mounted to your vehicle's hitch receiver. Refer to your bike carrier's manual for proper installation.
2. Position the Thule Santu cargo box onto the designated mounting points of the bike carrier. The design allows for a single person to attach the box.
3. Secure the cargo box using the integrated attachment mechanisms on the bike carrier. Ensure all locking points are engaged and tightened according to the bike carrier's instructions.
4. Verify that the cargo box is firmly attached and does not wobble before loading any items or driving.

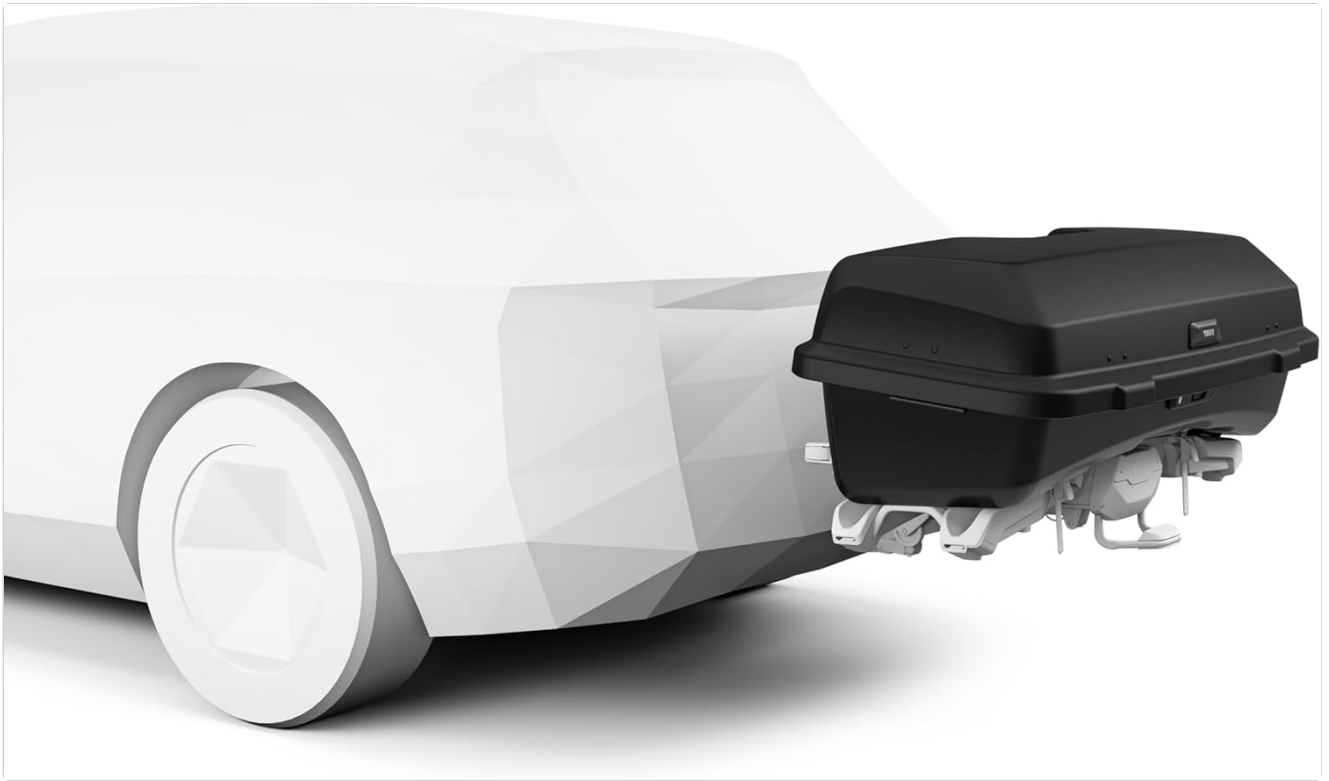


Figure 1: Thule Santu Hitch Cargo Box attached to a bike carrier on the rear of a vehicle.

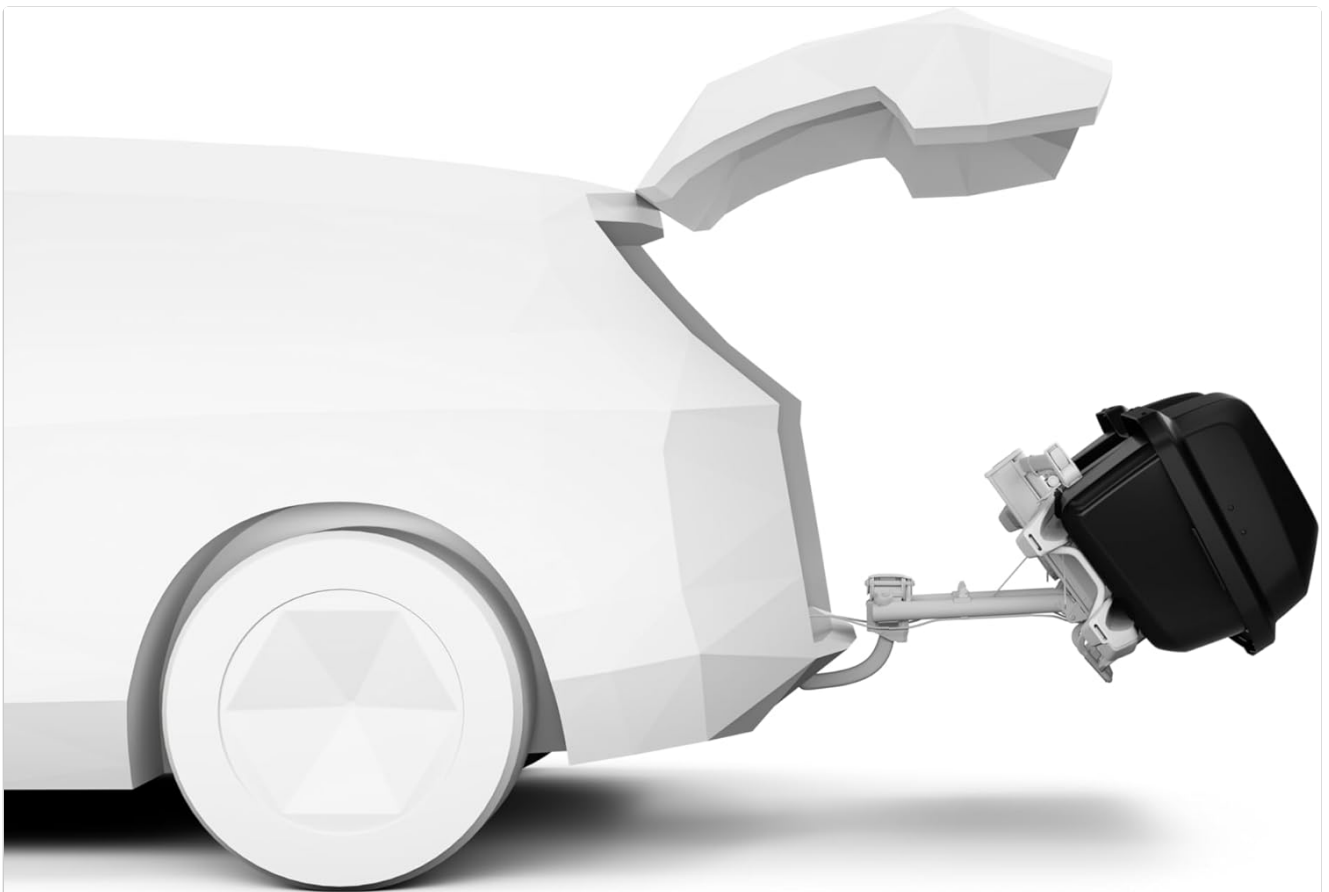


Figure 2: The cargo box can be tilted away from the vehicle, even when loaded, to allow full access to the vehicle's trunk or tailgate.



Figure 3: The integrated lock system ensures your cargo is secure during transport.

3. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

The Thule Santu Hitch Cargo Box is designed for ease of use, from loading to transport.

- **Loading Cargo:** The box sits low to the ground, making it ergonomic and easy to load and unload items. Open the lid using the secure lock system and place your cargo inside, ensuring even weight distribution and that items do not exceed the 99lb weight capacity.
- **Securing Cargo:** Close the lid and engage the integrated lock system to secure your belongings. Always double-check that the box is properly closed and locked before driving.
- **Transporting the Box (when detached):** Utilize the built-in wheels and grab handle to easily roll the box out to your car or for storage when not in use.



Figure 4: The spacious interior offers 9 cubic feet of volume for various items. The box sits low to the ground for ergonomic loading and unloading.



Figure 5: Built-in wheels and a grab handle facilitate easy transport and storage of the box when detached from the vehicle.

4. MAINTENANCE

To ensure the longevity and optimal performance of your Thule Santu Hitch Cargo Box, regular maintenance is recommended:

- **Cleaning:** Clean the exterior and interior of the cargo box with mild soap and water. Avoid abrasive cleaners or solvents that could damage the material.
- **Lubrication:** Periodically lubricate the lock mechanism and any moving parts with a silicone-based lubricant to ensure smooth operation.
- **Storage:** When not in use, store the cargo box in a dry, protected area away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures.
- **Inspection:** Regularly inspect the box for any signs of wear, damage, or loose components. Address any issues promptly to prevent further damage or safety hazards.

5. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter any issues with your Thule Santu Hitch Cargo Box, consider the following:

- **Difficulty Locking/Unlocking:** Ensure the lid is properly aligned and free of obstructions. Apply a small amount of lubricant to the lock mechanism if it feels stiff.
- **Excessive Movement:** Re-check all attachment points to the bike carrier and the hitch receiver. Ensure all bolts and clamps are securely tightened according to the installation instructions.
- **Water Leakage:** Inspect the seals around the lid for any damage or debris. Clean the seals and ensure the lid is closed tightly.

For further assistance, please contact Thule customer support.

6. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Specification
Brand	Thule
Model Name	Santu
Part Number	909401
Color	Black
Load Capacity	99 Pounds
Mounting Type	Hitch
Material	Aluminum
Is Foldable	No
Item Package Dimensions L x W x H	59.06 x 26.57 x 22.05 inches
Package Weight	15 Kilograms
UPC	197074567598

7. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

The Thule Santu Hitch Cargo Box comes with a **Limited Lifetime Warranty**. For detailed information regarding warranty coverage, claims, or product support, please visit the official Thule store or contact their customer service.

Official Thule Store: [Thule Store on Amazon](#)