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ACCESSING THE HARDWARE AND INCLUDED ACCESSORIES

With the help of a friend, remove the Kitchen from its carton and foam packaging and place it on a large flat stable surface such as the floor or a large stable table that is at least 4 feet long. Push down on the top outer red lock tab and pull the drawer **OPEN ONLY HALFWAY** until you can easily remove the cutting board, but no further. Remove the cutting board and protective foam to access the hardware.



Your Kitchen comes with the following loose items:

- 1) One (1) bolt on riser/leveling shim
- 2) One (1) Adjustable Rubber strap for supporting a propane tank
- 3) Sticker Pack
- 4) One (1) short ratchet end strap with hook
- 5) One (1) long ratchet end strap with hook
- 6) Two (2) #8-32 ¼ inch flathead screws
- 7) Two (2) adjustable end straps with hooks

You will need:

- #2 Philips screwdriver
- Right angle #2 Philips screwdriver (For mounting optional riser shim)



The hooks on the ends of the straps will hook onto your vehicle's anchor points. The four footman loops that come mounted to your Kitchen serve as strap guides. **Do not attempt to mount your Kitchen in a vehicle without first reading and following this instruction manual.**

ADDING OPTIONAL RISER/LEVELING SHIM

Before mounting, identify if your cargo area has a sloped trunk floor, dropdown trunk, or raised trunk sill. If your cargo area is even slightly sloped or has a trunk sill that will block the drawer from opening, you will want to install the bolt on riser/leveling shim under the front edge of your Kitchen.

If mounting your Kitchen into a vehicle with a dropdown trunk, you will want to build and insert a platform into your trunk that will lift the Kitchen high enough for the drawers to open with full clearance. In most crossovers, a 3.5 inch high riser made of 2x4s will do the trick.

To install the riser/leveling shim:

- 1) With your Kitchen still on the flat surface, open the drawer of the Kitchen by pushing down on the red tab and extending the drawer all the way, careful not to drag the bottom of the Kitchen on the ground, as this may scratch it.
- 2) To access the pilot holes for the mounting screws, push down on the red tab on the left while pressing down on the black lever in the left slide and slowly pull the drawer out about 6 inches, just enough to give access to the pilot holes. **Do not pull the drawer all the way out. It is difficult to reinstall.** If you do accidentally pull the drawer all the way out, slowly and carefully line up the drawer rail and housing rail. Make sure the drawer rail slides onto the ball bearing track. With the red tab pressed down, slowly slide the drawer closed. Make sure it stays aligned in the tracks until it is closed in its fully locked position.
- 3) To install the riser/leveling shim, place the shim under the kitchen and line it up with the front bottom of the Kitchen. Insert the two included #8-32 ¾ inch screws into the pilot holes. They are designed to line up with the threaded holes on the riser/shim. Hand-tighten the screws with a right angle #2 Philips screw driver. Make sure to tighten until the flathead screw is flush with the floor of the unit to prevent them from getting caught on the drawer.
- 4) Press the red tab and close the drawer fully until it clicks and locks into place.



MOUNTING THE NOMAD KITCHEN IN YOUR VEHICLE

Note: If your vehicle does not have anchor points or needs additional anchor points to achieve an ideal mounting location, now is the time to install bolt on D-rings before proceeding. Check your car manual or with your dealership to make sure the stock anchor points can support the weight of your Nomad Kitchen plus what you plan to place on it. If not, swap them out for more heavy-duty D-rings. (Bolt on D-ring packs are available on our webstore).

- 1) With the help of a friend, using all four of the built-in handholds, move the Kitchen into the cargo area of your vehicle.
- 2) Pick a side of the Kitchen and run one adjustable end strap through the footman loop on the back top and lay it across the top of the Kitchen. Run the second adjustable end strap through the footman loop on the front side of the Kitchen and lay it over the top of the Kitchen.

Your Kitchen comes with two lengths of ratchet end straps. The position of the anchor points in your vehicle will determine which will work best in the front and which will work best in the back. If the anchor points are close to the edges of the Kitchen, continue with instruction set (A3). If the anchor points are further away from your Kitchen, follow instruction set (B3), found on page 4.

A3) Using a #2 Phillips screwdriver, unscrew the unused top rear footman loop, place the longer ratchet strap on top of the kitchen so it lines up with the edge and reinstall the footman loop over the longer ratchet end strap.

A4) **If you have four anchor points:** Using a #2 Phillips screwdriver, unscrew the unused side front footman loop, place the shorter ratchet strap end against the side of the Kitchen, and reinstall the footman loop over the shorter ratchet strap end.

If you only have two anchor points: Run the front adjustable end strap through the side footman loop and thread it into the shorter ratchet strap end.



Closer In - Four Anchor Point
Mounting Configuration



Closer In - Two Anchor Point
Mounting Configuration

Note: The two anchor point mounting configuration is less effective at preventing side sway than the four anchor point configuration. However, both are effective at preventing the Kitchen from tilting out of your vehicle.

B3) Thread the rear adjustable strap end through the second rear footman loop and then thread it through the shorter ratchet strap end.

B4) **If you have four anchor points:** Using a #2 Phillips screwdriver, unscrew the unused side front footman loop, place the longer ratchet strap end against the side of the Kitchen, and reinstall the footman loop over the longer ratchet strap end.

If you only have two anchor points: Run the front adjustable strap end through the side footman loop and thread it into the longer ratchet strap end.



Further Out - Four Anchor Point
Mounting Configuration



Further Out - Two Anchor Point
Mounting Configuration

Note: The two anchor point mounting configuration is less effective at preventing side sway than the four anchor point configuration. However, both are effective at preventing the Kitchen from tilting out of your vehicle.

- 5) Clip all four ends of the straps to the closest anchor points in your vehicle and give them a couple of cranks to secure the straps, but leave slack in the line.
- 6) Adjust the Kitchen into the desired position and crank the ratchet straps until the Kitchen is secured. Give the Kitchen a wiggle to make sure it is secure. If the car wiggles with the Kitchen, it is secure.
DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN.

Make sure the Kitchen is secure before opening the drawer.

When mounted properly, the included mounting system will support the Kitchen without the need of any support legs.

REMOVING THE NOMAD KITCHEN FROM YOUR VEHICLE

Warning: Make sure the drawer is securely closed in its fully locked position before opening any of the ratchets, or attempting to move or remove your Nomad Kitchen.

Open the ratchet to the fully open position by pushing on the interior pressure tab and pulling on the metal clasp. Once the ratchet is fully open in a straight upright position you can pull the ratchets out and away from the Kitchen on each strap until there is enough slack to remove the hooks from your vehicle's cargo tie-down anchor points.

Detach the strap hooks from your vehicle's cargo anchors and place the straps in a secure location so they don't get caught on anything, or scratch your car.

With the help of a friend, using all four of the built-in handholds, move the Kitchen from your trunk to a flat secure storage area.

For long term storage, you can either thread each strap through the side footman loop and ratchet strap, and then tighten the ratchet and tuck the excess straps under themselves, or you can remove the straps and store them in the basket. You can store your Kitchen in its original packaging without removing the mounting system. However, if you plan to ship your Kitchen in its packaging for any reason, we recommend removing the mounting system entirely and returning it to the same configuration as when it was delivered.

OPERATING THE NOMAD KITCHEN

PRO TIP: LEVEL YOUR VEHICLE FIRST

If you have to park on a steeper slope that prevents you from leveling your Kitchen with just the shim, we recommend leveling your vehicle by driving the lowest wheel onto a stable riser like a traction board or leveling block. This should be done slowly and carefully at your own risk with the help of a spotter.

OPENING THE KITCHEN DRAWER

To open, push down on the red tab on the drawer you wish to open. While the tab is depressed use the handhold to pull the drawer open. Once the drawer is partly extended you may release the red tab. The drawer will automatically lock in its open position once it is fully extended.

Warning: Make sure the Kitchen is mounted properly before opening the drawer and the drawer is locked in the fully open position before you insert your stove or operate any of the Kitchen's other features.

CLOSING THE KITCHEN DRAWERS

To close, push down on the red tab of the drawer you wish to close. While the tab is depressed, push the drawer closed toward your vehicle. Once the drawer is partially closed you may release the red tab. Once closed, ensure the drawer locks securely by giving it a firm push until you hear the drawer click into the locked position.

WASHBASIN

To remove the washbasin, make sure the drawer is locked in its fully opened position and your water tank is clear of the washbasin. Place your hand under the drawer and lift the washbasin up from the bottom until it has cleared the edge of the countertop by enough that you can grab the ledge of the sink with each hand. Be careful not to let your fingers get caught between the washbasin and the countertop.

Once the washbasin is removed from the Kitchen, disperse greywater away from your campsite by draining it into a designated drain or sump.

Warning: Empty the washbasin at or before it fills to the half-full point otherwise it may become too heavy to remove. Also, ensure that water in the washbasin is cool before you remove it to avoid touching a hot washbasin or from being splashed with hot water.

WATER TANK

The Nomad Kitchen is compatible with any water tank, jug, or carboy with spout or spigot. Just place the water tank of your choice on the top of the Nomad Kitchen and direct the spout or spigot into the washbasin. Make sure to store your water tank in a secure position while in transit so it does not spill or leak. Remember to close the spigot.

PRO TIP: PREVENT YOUR STOVE FROM RATTLING WHILE OFF-ROADING OR DRIVING ON ROUGH TERRAIN

Your stove will be secure inside the stove drawer during normal driving conditions. However, if off-roading or driving on rough terrain, it is recommended that you secure your stove in the drawer by daisy chaining two adjustable rubber straps together and running them around your stove and through the two small slots on the sides of the stove drawer base plate. (Spare straps are available on our webstore).

In most camp stoves, whether your stove is stored in the Nomad Kitchen or out in your vehicle, the grate and the side wind deflectors tend to rattle around when off-roading or driving on rough terrain.

Throw a hand towel in between the moving parts to prevent them from rattling while in transit.

CUTTING BOARD AND DRYING RACK STORAGE BASKET

To remove the cutting board and/or dish rack, simply pull up from the handle or any of the basket's wires.

ATTACHING YOUR PROPANE TANK

To install a 1 lb. propane tank, attach your stove's gas line to the stove pursuant to the manufacturer's instructions.

Attach the rubber propane tank support strap through the hole on the left side of the drawer face and through the hole found in the baseplate.

Secure the rubber propane strap to the last link, making it as large as possible while still clasped. You will need to tighten the strap until it can support the weight of the propane tank.

If you are using a Coleman brand stove, the strap and propane line will be reversed. Place the strap around the top of the Kitchen face through the large hole.

Once the strap is attached to the Kitchen and the propane line is attached to the stove, place your propane tank through the rubber strap and screw it into the propane line. Make sure the propane tank is positioned so that the valve end of your propane tank is higher than the bottom of the propane tank.

Warning: Make sure when operating your stove and removing the propane tank you do so pursuant to the manufacturer's instructions. Do not position your propane tank in an inverted position.

Warning: Do not operate your vehicle or leave the engine running while your Kitchen is open or a propane tank is attached to your stove.

CLEANING

The Nomad Kitchen is water-resistant, but it is not intended to be left out exposed to the elements. Make sure to clean and dry your Nomad Kitchen of all food and liquids thoroughly between uses.

NOMAD KITCHEN WOODEN PANELING

Dry and clean the surface with a clean cloth. Avoid using any harsh chemicals or abrasive pads to clean the surface as they may damage the finish.

CUTTING BOARD

Your Nomad Kitchen Cutting Board is made from bamboo. Bamboo is more resistant to bacteria than wooden cutting boards. Clean your bamboo cutting board with soapy water before its first use and after each subsequent use. (We recommend biodegradable soap in the wilderness). Rub with mineral oil between trips to help retain moisture and prevent cracking.

WASHBASIN AND DRYING RACK STORAGE BASKET

Make sure your washbasin has been wiped out and dried before closing your Kitchen up in a vehicle or storing at your home. This will increase the life of the Nomad Kitchen and prevent spilling. Wash the washbasin and drying rack storage basket with soap between trips.

STOVE DRAWER BASEPLATE

Be sure to wipe off the baseplate between uses. To clean the stove drawer base plate, remove your stove and wipe with a clean damp towel.

WARRANTY

Terms and Conditions

Your Nomad Kitchen is guaranteed from all manufacturing defects for the first year to the original owner. Warranty does not cover any damage caused by dropping, vehicular accidents/collisions, or using the Kitchen in any way other than suggested by Nomad Kitchen Company LLC. Product failure or damage due to improper installation will not be covered by this warranty.

The Nomad Kitchen is a piece of wooden cabinetry and should be treated with the care associated with such products. Check your vehicle's tie-down anchor point load rating before installing your Nomad Kitchen. Please use caution when moving, installing, or operating your Nomad Kitchen. Improper use can result in injury or damage to your vehicle.

Extent of Warranty Coverage

This Warranty will be null and void if:

- Installed improperly
- Any unauthorized modification or alteration is made
- Any unauthorized or non-standard part is installed
- Any maintenance or repair is performed during the warranty period by anyone other than an Nomad Kitchen Co or an authorized repair shop
- The suggested weight limit is exceeded

Exclusions

This warranty does not extend to any products: (a) that have been subject to misuse, neglect, abuse, improper storage, accident (other than an accident caused by the product itself), or that have not been properly maintained; (b) that have been modified by any Third Party; or (c) that have been disassembled, serviced, or reassembled by any Third Party. THE FOREGOING LIMITED WARRANTY IS IN LIEU OF ALL OTHER WARRANTIES AND EXCEPT FOR ANY EXPRESS WARRANTIES STATED HEREIN, NOMAD KITCHEN COMPANY LLC EXPRESSLY DISCLAIM ALL WARRANTIES, EITHER EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION, IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF QUALITY, CONDITION, MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.

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