

# About Your Rope Hammock

**NOTE:** It is very important that you save these instructions for future use.

## Cotton/Polyester/DuraCord/Quilted Hammocks

Our skilled artisans make each hammock by hand from durable three ply twisted rope. Please note that rope hammocks have a built-in stretch factor depending on the humidity or dryness of the air as well as amount of use. Therefore, the written size of your hammock is approximate. A newly purchased hammock will reach its full size and proper length with use.

### IDEAL LOCATION FOR HANGING HAMMOCKS:

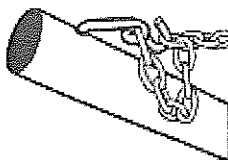
\*The ideal location is on a covered porch, but most of us like to lie in the sun or under the shade of a tree. The second best place is a location that is dry and receives several hours of filtered light. Weather can adversely affect natural products, such as cotton fibers and wood. If installing the hammock into any surface other than wood, consult a professional for the proper method and the additional supplies needed for a safe installation.

### INSTALLATION & USAGE:

\*Be sure the construction from which you are hanging your hammock is of good condition, sturdy, and large enough to securely and safely support the hammock and its maximum safe weight limit.

\*When installing the tree hooks that accompany your hammock, first drill a 5/16" pilot hole. (Pilot hole should be as small as possible in order to ensure safe assembly and use of swing.) Insert the screw hook to the point that the eye of the screw is in contact with the surface of the hole. **Note: Do not over-twist the hook assembly.** This may cause damage to the metal and weaken the support.

\*Our hook and chain assembly has been updated to one-piece for safety. Hook the larger portion of the end hook into the eye bolt or stand hole. Adjust the height of your hammock using the smaller portion of the end hook. When first hung, your hammock may seem very tight and difficult to lie in. Use caution when climbing into and out of the hammock. It will stretch to its intended length with use and the height can be adjusted over time using the smaller portion of the end hook.



\* To avoid mildew and to prolong the life of your hammock, we recommend that your hammock be kept in a dry environment. If possible, do not leave your hammock outdoors overnight, completely dry your hammock in the sun when dampness occurs, and protect your hammock from tree sap.

### NATURAL EFFECTS OF WEATHERING FROM SUN & RAIN EXPOSURE TO:

**Cotton:** Fibers will darken to a gray color; Strength will be lost as fibers break down; Mold or mildew will result if not allowed to dry thoroughly

**Wood:** Spreader bars will become bleached and may turn gray; Varnish finish may wear off surface

**Aluminum:** Spreader bar paint may chip over time

### INSECT AND ANIMAL DAMAGE:

\* Animals such as squirrels, mice, dogs, and birds may disturb or chew the hammock

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as it hangs or is stored. The noise of a wind chime hung on or near their hammock may help keep animals away.

\* If stored over the winter in a shed, attic, or garage, protect your hammock by placing it (completely dry) in either a bag or closed container and/or surround it by mothballs. Cotton fiber is attractive to animals, both as a food source and for nesting material.

**MAINTAINING YOUR HAMMOCK:** Proper care and cleaning of your hammock will help preserve and maintain its natural beauty as well as ensure years of use.

\* A solution of mild soap and water will remove most dirt and is not harmful to rope fibers.

\* For stains: spot clean, briskly sponge, and rinse thoroughly. Allow to air dry completely.

### PLEASE TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES:

\* Check for loose or untied ropes

\* Check for fraying at possible wear points:

- Where the ropes pass through the wooden spreader

- Around the metal ring at each end of the hammock

- Where the ropes intersect in the body/hammock bed

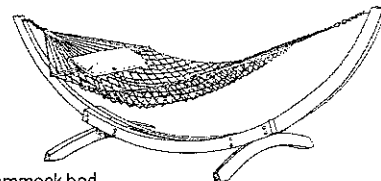
(Check ropes by pulling on them. If ropes are weak or frayed, the hammock may be unsafe for further use.)

\* Check for cracks or weak areas in the wood

\* Check integrity of chain and hooks for breaks, cracking, or badly worn links.

\* Make sure the hook is securely attached in its mounting surface and that this surface is solid and strong enough to support the weight limit.

\* Keep hammock out of direct sunlight and rain whenever possible.



*These precautionary measures are especially important before hanging your hammock each season and before storing it away. If cared for properly, your hammock will give you years of enjoyment.*

### SPECIFIC TO POLYESTER ROPE OR QUILTED HAMMOCKS ONLY:

Our quilted hammocks are made of acrylic fabric which provides comfort and beauty. Acrylic fabric and polyester rope are noted for strength and durability.

### Care and Maintenance of Polyester Rope or Quilted Hammocks:

For stubborn stains or to removing suntan oil, we recommend a fine car upholstery cleaner.

### SPECIFIC TO DURACORD ROPE HAMMOCKS ONLY:

DuraCord rope hammocks may be cleaned with a solution of 5 parts water to 1 part bleach.

### WARNINGS:

\* **DO NOT EXCEED THE WEIGHT LIMIT OF 450 POUNDS FOR LARGE OR DELUXE AND 340 POUNDS FOR SINGLE HAMMOCKS.**

\* **DO NOT LEAVE YOUNG CHILDREN UNATTENDED ON A HAMMOCK WARRANTY INFORMATION:**

Products of The HammockSource are guaranteed to be free of defects in workmanship and materials for up to one year after the purchase date. Prolonged exposure to weather conditions including snow, rain, and humidity are not covered under the warranty nor is damage caused by normal wear, mildew, or improper care including storage, maintenance, and installation. If an item is found to be defective within one year of its purchase, it will be replaced without charge upon the return of the unit accompanied by a sales receipt. If you choose to return an item, you must contact our customer service department at 800.643.3522 to obtain a Return Authorization Number that will allow us to track your unit once it arrives at our warehouse; thereby creating a faster response to your concern.