Montana Canvas Fly Setup Instructions

We know tent flys can be tricky, and we are always happy to help. However, we ask that you **read these instructions thoroughly** and give it an honest try before calling us to ask questions while setting up your tent and fly.

Measure the width and length of your tent fly when it is laying flat on the ground. Some of our flys will be closer to square than rectangle. This is especially true for flys that belong to 12x17 tents as well as flys with custom extensions/front awnings. For example, a fly for a 12'W tent will finish around 18'W for going up and over the peak/ridge and allowing for the side/eave overhang.

Materials:

- 1. Tent fly (one piece).
- 2. Separate 200' Hank of Black rope for fly.
- 3. Separate tension adjusters for fly.

The same stakes used for the ropes on your tent can be used for the guy ropes on your fly.

Please note, we **always** recommend putting the fly over the roof of your tent before setting the tent up completely. This means putting the body of the tent over the roof truss/rafter section of your frame as well as the fly over the roof **before** inserting the legs and standing your frame up entirely.

Our most helpful step-by-step:

- 1. Ensure the side banding around the edge of the fly is facing down toward the tent and the yellow tag slipped through one of the grommets on your fly is the **front peak**.
- 2. The zippered stove jack opening should match up with the stove jack in your tent. That opening will have a flap that unzips and rolls **down** with a buckle to secure.
- 3. After measuring the exact size of your fly and arranging it correctly over the roof of the tent, you can stand the frame up by inserting the legs. This usually requires at <u>least</u> two people, depending on the size of the tent.
- 4. Lastly, tie one guy rope to each grommet on the fly. Guy rope lengths vary by personal preference, but we recommend anywhere from 10-12' for each rope. Your tent and fly will use separate guy ropes. Insert the opposite end of the rope into the tension adjuster and form loop for stake. You can find a helpful video covering the guy rope and tension adjuster process on our YouTube page: Montana Canvas.
- 5. After fly is completely staked, set tension adjusters so that fly is tight, and no material is loose or prone to be caught by the wind. Your fly is now setup and ready to use!

In addition to grommets 2' apart, some flys have a pipe loop in the front. If this is the case, you will follow the same process, but need to slide the front rafters on your frame extension through that pipe loop. This needs to be done before step #3.

*Custom flys, glamping flys, and flys with extensions and awnings may vary.

