THIS MANUAL CONTAINS IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION AND GUIDELINES. BEFORE USING THE TREEPOD READ THIS MANUAL COMPLETELY AND CAREFULLY AND MAKE SURE YOU UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO ALL WARNINGS, CAUTIONS, INSTRUCTIONS, AND SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS. PERIODICALLY REVIEW THE INFORMATION IN THIS MANUAL AND INSPECT YOUR TREEPOD AND HANGING EQUIPMENT REGULARLY FOR SIGNS OF DAMAGE AND/OR WEAR. DO NOT USE THE TREEPOD IF THE TREEPOD OR ANY PORTION OF THE HANGING SYSTEM SHOWS SIGNS OF DAMAGE OR WEAR, BUT CONTACT SELLER TO DISCUSS THE STATUS AND SAFETY OF YOUR TREEPOD IF IN QUESTIONABLE CONDITION. DO NOT USE THE TREEPOD UNLESS YOU ACCEPT ALL RISK OF INJURY AND/OR DEATH THAT MAY RESULT FROM YOUR USE.

PARENTS OF MINORS AND MINORS: Minors should not use the TreePod unless they are under constant competent adult supervision. Make sure that the TreePod is only installed in areas where minors can not access it without such adult supervision. Minors should never install or adjust the hanging system at any time. The TreePod should not be left unattended or set up for unsupervised use by Minors. A lock on the door zippers may be used to prevent unauthorized use.

The TreePod was developed to accommodate one adult or a few children, weighing less than 500lbs (227kg) total, for use over a flat, even and soft landing area without any obstacles, people, projections, or hazards underneath and/or nearby. A HANGING SYSTEM IS ONLY AS STRONG AS ITS WEAKEST LINK AND ALL INSTRUCTIONS AND GUIDELINES MUST BE FOLLOWED. The TreePod must only be used in the manner described in this manual – as a suspended play house, the bottom ring of which is no higher than 4 feet (1.2m) off the ground so the retractable ladder maintains contact with ground and total weight of occupants does not exceed 500lbs (227kg). USING ANY EQUIPMENT THAT IS SUSPENDED ABOVE GROUND CAN BE A DANGEROUS ACTIVITY THAT MAY RESULT IN SERIOUS INJURY AND/OR DEATH EVEN WHEN USED PROPERLY. USE AT YOUR OWN RISK AND ALWAYS USE COMMON SENSE.

- Make sure that the TreePod is hung only from anchors as described in the anchoring section below. Do NOT attach the TreePod to any anchor point that is too weak to safely support 1500lbs (680kg) or that is not fixed. Non-fixed anchors include any vehicle, moving structure of any kind, any structure that can bend or lose its shape with the weight of the TreePod and its users or any animal; these are not adequate anchors. Public facilities and infrastructure (utility poles, sculptures, playground equipment, sound equipment, traffic signs or signals, parking structures, bridges, buildings, etc.) are not suitable anchor points for the TreePod.
- Make sure that the area surrounding and over which the TreePod is suspended is free of all obstacles, hazards and/or dangers.
- DO NOT set the TreePod at any height that will allow the bottom ring to be any higher than 4 feet (1.2m) off the ground, insuring the retractable TreePod ladder can ALWAYS touch the ground.
- Make sure that there are no obstacles, hazards, people, or projections underneath and/
or near the TreePod that could injure the user or users in a fall.

- Do NOT exceed 500 pounds (227kg) in weight in the TreePod at any time.
- Make sure the elements of the hanging system and TreePod have been installed properly before use.
- Adult supervision is always required when Minors are using TreePod.
- Do not set up the TreePod in front of pedestrian, bike or other traffic paths.
- This TreePod is not impervious to damage or wear. THE TREEPOD MUST BE PROPERLY MAINTAINED AND INSPECTED BEFORE EVERY USE. FAILURE TO INSPECT AND MAINTAIN THE TREEPOD BEFORE EACH USE MAY RESULT IN INJURY AND/OR DEATH.

FAILURE TO:

- USE COMMON SENSE,
- USE THE TREEPOD AS RECOMMENDED IN THIS MANUAL, AND
- HEED THE WARNINGS AND INSTRUCTIONS IN THIS MANUAL

SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASES THE RISK OF SERIOUS INJURY AND/OR DEATH.

**Intended Use and Non-Uses:**

The TreePod is designed for gentle play and relaxation. NEVER jump into or use it as a trampoline or swing. It is not intended to be used for rock climbing, cliff faces, or other areas of large drops, or overnight camping. Do NOT attach or secure the TreePod to a movable platform or anchor, it is not intended to be used for such recreation or activities. Do NOT attempt to use this product for anything other than its intended purpose, and always observe height and weight limits.

The TreePod is not intended to be used in inclement, severe, or bad weather. If there is weather that creates dangerous conditions, such as storms, heavy rain, high winds, and/or lightning, do not use or remain in TreePod in or during those conditions! It is recommended that the TreePod is taken down and stored to avoid remaining in and being subject to such conditions. Leaving the TreePod out and installed in bad weather can lead to potential destruction and/or damage to the TreePod. If the TreePod is subject to such conditions, it and its anchor/hanging system should be inspected in detail prior to any future use. Be sure to thoroughly dry the TreePod before storing.

WHEN ASSEMBLED AND INSTALLED, THE TREEPOD PLACES SIGNIFICANT FORCE ON THE ANCHORING STRUCTURE, GREAT CARE MUST BE EXERCISED WHEN USING THE TREEPOD TO DECREASE THE RISK OF INJURY AND/OR DEATH. OVERLOADING THE TREEPOD WITH MORE THAN 500 POUNDS (227 KG) INCREASES THE FORCES AND MAY CAUSE ANCHOR, TREEPOD AND/OR ANY PARTS TO FAIL RESULTING IN INJURY AND/OR DEATH. THE MANUFACTURER AND RESELLERS OF THE TREEPOD EXPLICITLY DISCLAIM ANY AND ALL RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY FOR ANY DEATH, PARALYSIS, INJURY, AND/OR DAMAGE TO ANY PERSON OR PROPERTY THAT MAY OCCUR THAT ARISES OUT OF OR IS IN ANY WAY RELATED TO THE USE OF THIS PRODUCT.

**AIRBAG:** The bottom of the TreePod, the section under the bottom ring, provides both insulation and an emergency safety feature to cushion a fall if the TreePod anchoring should fail. It is however not to be made to suffer intentional falls or relied on for regular use or entertainment. The cushioning provided by the airbag is simply an added safety feature and does not promise to prevent any potential injury or death. If there are any tears or rips in the airbag they should be repaired immediately. If the airbag has been used and/or implemented in a fall of the TreePod, it needs to be checked for damage (tears or rips) and any damage should be evaluated and repaired before any future use.
**MAINTENANCE:** The TreePod should always be kept clean and dry. It is recommended to apply after market UV resistance spray and mold resistance spray to protect the fabric from the elements. Sprays should be reapplied every two months. The TreePod should be inspected for damage to the fabric and hanging points before each use. Any tear/wear in the fabric should be immediately repaired. For repair tips an instructions you can visit our website [www.mytreepod.com](http://www.mytreepod.com) or contact us at info@mytreepod.com.

**STORAGE:** When not in use, the TreePod should be removed and stored dry, clean, and fully disassembled in its original box, in a dry environment and out of reach of children, pets or other animals.

**LIMITED WARRANTY**

This product is warranted against any material or manufacturing defect for one (1) year from the purchase date as stated on a valid receipt. THIS WARRANTY DOES NOT COVER OR INCLUDE ANY DAMAGE OR DEFECT CAUSED BY: NORMAL WEAR AND TEAR, MODIFICATIONS OR ALTERATIONS, INCORRECT STORAGE, POOR MAINTENANCE, AND/OR DAMAGE DUE TO ACCIDENTS, NEGLIGENCE, OR MISUSE (INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO FAILURE TO FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS AND ANY USE NOT EXPLICITLY OUTLINED AND APPROVED IN THIS MANUAL).

The Warranty herein will not be honored for products that are purchased through an unauthorized dealer or secondary reseller. Unauthorized and/or resold products are not backed up by the high quality standards and dependability of original products sold by authorized dealers. Buying from an unauthorized dealer you could get a product that is fake, stolen, or a remanufactured, and being listed as new. To redeem any potential warranty you will need to provide proof of purchase with the product.

Other than as described above, THE MANUFACTURER, SELLERS, AND RESELLERS OF THIS PRODUCT MAKE NO OTHER REPRESENTATIONS AND/OR WARRANTIES, EITHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, REGARDING THE PRODUCT, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION, ANY WARRANTIES AS TO MERCHANTABILITY, QUALITY, OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. THE MANUFACTURER, SELLERS, AND RESELLERS SHALL NOT BE LIABLE IN ANY WAY WHATSOEVER FOR SPECIAL, INDIRECT, CONSEQUENTIAL, OR INCIDENTAL DAMAGES, WHETHER BASED ON BREACH OF CONTRACT, BREACH OF WARRANTY, TORT (INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE), PRODUCT LIABILITY OR OTHERWISE, EVEN IF THEY HAVE BEEN ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES. VIOLATION OF THE INSTRUCTIONS AND WARNINGS HEREIN OPERATES AS A WAIVER OF CLAIMS BY THE USER. THE TREEPOD USER AGREES THAT HIS OR HER FULL REMEDY AGAINST THE MANUFACTURER, SELLERS, AND RESELLERS FOR ANY LIABILITY, CLAIMS, OR DAMAGES, SHALL BE LIMITED TO THE PURCHASE PRICE OF THE TREEPOD, AND IRREVOCABLY WAIVES ALL CLAIMS FOR ANY OTHER DAMAGES THAT SUCH TREEPOD USER MAY HAVE.

**FURTHER WARNINGS**

**INSTALLATION OF THE TREEPOD MAY INVOLVE HEIGHTS, CAN BE DANGEROUS AND MAY LEAD TO INJURY AND/OR DEATH. THE INSTALLATION MUST NEVER BE EXECUTED BY MINORS AND EXTREME CARE AND CAUTION MUST BE TAKEN WHEN EXECUTED BY ADULTS. DO NOT USE ANY OTHER COMPONENTS, PARTS, TOOLS OR MATERIALS OTHER THAN THOSE INCLUDED IN THE IN THE TREEPOD PACKAGE OR RECOMMENDED IN THIS MANUAL.**
INSTRUCTIONS:

PARTS
The TreePod is designed for quick and easy assembly if you follow the directions in this Manual.

The TreePod consists of:

- 1 Fabric Pod
- 4 C-shaped Base Ring Poles
- 2 J-shaped Base Ring Poles
- 4 Top Ring Poles
- 3 Rubber Rings
- 1 Quick Link
- 3 Ground Stakes
- 3 Guy Lines

ASSEMBLY:
1. Unpack the TreePod from the box separating the top and bottom ring poles into piles and set aside.

2. Lay the TreePod out on the ground and unzip the door fully.
3. Insert one of the top ring poles into the top sewn sleeve and push through until only the attachment point remains outside of the sleeve (3a). Connect the next top ring poles and push through the sleeve again. Repeat with the third pole. Connect the last top ring pole and push the whole ring through the sleeve so that the last connection point is exposed in a sleeve opening (3b).

4. Lay the TreePod down with the door facing up. Insert the C-shaped bottom ring poles in the bottom sewn sleeve in the same manner as Step 3 working from the left side of the door around the back. Adjust the connected C-shaped poles so that both sides are centered in the sleeve.

5. Ensure that the Velcro closure on the sleeve by the door is open, and connect one of the J-shaped poles to the C-shaped pole, curved side first. Connect the last J-shaped pole to the C-shaped pole on the other side, curved side first (pole should be straight through the entry door). Ensure that the connection point is centered with the door opening, and then connect the two straight ends of the J-shaped poles and close the sleeve with Velcro over the top of the poles.

6. Check that both the top and bottom ring poles are fully connected and secure.
INSTALLATION

Needed to begin:

Ladder
2 Adults
Rope

A steel locking carabiner will also be needed if hanging between trees. ALWAYS use rope that is rated with a breaking strength of at least 1500lbs (680kg). When buying the rope only buy a rope that clearly states its breaking strength. We recommend using rope made of synthetic materials that will be more durable when used outside. Rope should be inspected periodically for signs of mold, fraying or tears and should be replaced if any of these conditions exist.

ANCHORING

There is the TreePod Stand that can be purchased separately and provides a solid anchoring system for both indoor and outdoor use. However, the TreePod can also be setup and installed to hang from a tree or between trees (but not other objects, such as poles, utility poles, or other stationary man made or installed structures), as outlined below.

ONE TREE USING A STURDY BRANCH

The TreePod must only be attached to tree branches that will support the weight and MUST always also be attached to the trunk, the strongest part of the tree. The tree and branch must be alive, not cracked, hard-barked, and hanging point should have a minimum diameter of 8 inches (20cm). DO NOT ATTACH THE TREEPOD TO ANY TREE THAT CANNOT WITHSTAND A MINIMUM FORCE OF 1500 POUNDS (680 KG). Always protect the tree or branch being used as a hanging point with readily available tree protection for slacklines, ziplines or hammocks or use a carpet scrap, felt or cardboard. NEVER attach the TreePod to a manmade structure, other than the TreePod Stand.

1. Locate a suitable and safe location with an accessible tree branch as described above with no hazards, obstacles, projections, or other dangers underdneath and/or nearby.

2. Tie a figure-8 on bight knot creating a loop on one end of the rope.
3. Using this bight, girth hitch the rope around the tree trunk on the opposite side from where the TreePod will be installed.

4. Lead the other end of the rope over the tree to the other side and over the branch where TreePod will be installed.

5. Position ladder to access the hanging point and pull all of the slack out of the rope so that it is tight between the trunk and branch.

6. Tie the rope in a clove hitch over the branch where the TreePod will be installed to secure. Make sure the rope between the clove hitch and the anchoring at the trunk on the other side of the tree is tight.

7. Determine the point of the rope where the TreePod should attach so the bottom ring is no higher than 4ft (1.2m) off the ground and the retractable TreePod ladder can maintain contact with the ground. TIP: The TreePod is 6ft (1.8) tall from the bottom ring to the hanging loop, so the point of the rope that will connect should be no higher than 10ft (3m) off the ground.
8. At the determined point in the rope so height is correct, tie a figure-8 on bight knot creating a loop for the attachment point.

9. Attach the quicklink to the figure-8 on bight knot just created by unscrewing the quick link gate and placing the loop inside and over the steel.

10. TEST that all knots and rope are secure and can hold the intended weight.

11. Place sewn loop of TreePod on to the quick link and insure gate is screwed in completely to secure rope and TreePod loop inside.

12. Pull a rubber ring through the the loop on a triangular panel corner and attach guy-line through the rubber ring and tie to ground stake. Repeat all panels, guy-lines should be taught tp prevent spinning or swinging.

13. Check that the retractable ladder touches the ground and TreePod is secure in place.
**BETWEEN TWO TREES**

The TreePod can also be hung between sturdy, mature, healthy trees with trunks at least 10-inches (25cm) in diameter at the desired attachment points so that the TreePod hanging height follows guidelines (the bottom ring of the TreePod MUST NEVER be more than 4ft (1.2m) high over flat and unobstructed ground). DO NOT ATTACH THE TREEPOD TO ANY TREE THAT CANNOT WITHSTAND A MINIMUM FORCE OF 1500 POUNDS (680 KG). You will need two pieces of rope, one of them should approximately 2/3 of the length between the trees and the second rope should be approximately 1.2 times the distance between the trees.

1. Locate a suitable and safe location with accessible tree trunks as described above with no hazards, obstacles, projections, or other dangers underneath and/or nearby.

2. On the shorter piece of rope tie figure-8 on bight knots on each end of the rope.

3. Position ladder to access the attachment point of the tree trunk on one side and wrap the end of the rope around the trunk using a girth hitch. Attach a steel oval locking carabiner to the bight on the free end of the rope and screw in and lock gate completely.

4. On the longer piece of rope tie a figure-8 on bight knot on one end of the rope.
5. Position ladder to access the attachment point of the tree trunk on the other side and wrap the end of the rope with the figure-8 knot around the trunk using a girth hitch.

6. Bring the loose end of the rope to the opposite tree and pass it through the steel carabiner. Bring it back down to the tree trunk wrapping it around the tree and tie with a two half-hitch knot to secure.

7. TEST that all knots and rope are secure and can hold the intended weight.

8. Clip the Quick Link to sewn loop of TreePod and to the rope at its center between the trees. Insure that the gate of the Quick Link is screwed in completely.

9. Attach guy-lines to each triangular panel corner and secure in place with ground stakes. SHOULD BE THE SAME STEPS AS FOR ONE TREE.

10. Check that the retractable ladder touches the ground. Children may use the ladder to enter the TreePod, it is recommended that adults sit directly into the TreePod and then back in completely.
INDOORS

The TreePod Stand is recommended as the best option for use indoors. It is designed with a steel hanging loop for the TreePod to clip to, which will support up to 500lbs (227kg) and is sold separately. If attempting to hang indoors from a ceiling, the user is responsible for checking that the hardware and structure used are safe and capable of holding 1500lbs (680kg) and height restrictions are followed.

ENTERING AND EXITING THE TREEPOD

Children may use the ladder to enter the TreePod facing it. Adults should sit directly into the TreePod with both feet on the ground, and then slide back to get inside.

To exit the TreePod, children should lay on the stomach and climb down the ladder feet first. Adults should sit at the door and place both feet on the ground then stand to exit. DO NOT jump out of the TreePod or exit head first.