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Megabucks Viper Ultra

You **MUST** also view the enclosed DVD **BEFORE** using your new treestand!!
If this DVD does not play in your DVD player - please contact us for a replacement.

Weight Limit: 300 lbs. Total. **DO NOT EXCEED THIS LIMIT!**
(Total weight includes person and all gear / clothing)

Tree Size: 8" - 20" Diameter

READ ME FIRST!!!

Please read carefully **BEFORE** using your new Summit Climbing Treestand.

Congratulations! You have purchased the finest commercially available treestand on the market today. Summit Climbing Treestands are designed and built to provide years of trouble-free, successful hunting with a minimum of maintenance and care. They are certified to meet the requirements of the Treestand Manufacturers Association (TMA) Standards. This booklet is provided to you to outline the recommended use, care and maintenance of your Summit Climbing Treestand.

Please read and follow all general safety warnings and precautions listed on the next page!

Warning

Before each use of your Summit Treestand, ALWAYS inspect the treestand for any structural damage, cracks, cable wear or abrasion that may have occurred in transporting your treestand. DO NOT USE IF ANY DAMAGE IS FOUND! DO NOT leave your treestand outdoors when it is not being used. Any tubing that is allowed to fill with rainwater and freeze WILL rupture or burst. DO NOT use your treestand if this happens.

----- **MUST READ - GENERAL SAFETY WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS** -----

General Warnings and Precautions:

1. **When hunting from a treestand falls can occur any time after leaving the ground causing injury or death.**
2. Wear a fall arrest system (FAS) comprising a full body harness at all times after leaving the ground. You must stay connected at all times after leaving the ground while using climbing and hang-on treestands. Single safety belts and chest harnesses are no longer preferred and should never be used. If you are not wearing a full body harness that is protecting you from a fall, do not leave the ground.
3. Read and understand all of the manufacturer's Warnings and Instructions and use all safety devices provided by the manufacturer. Contact the manufacturer for any questions. Failure to do so could result in injury or death.
4. **Never** exceed the weight limit of a treestand.
5. **Never** use a treestand while taking drugs (even prescription drugs) or alcohol.
6. **Never** use a treestand during inclement weather such as rain, lightning, windstorms or icy conditions.
7. **Never** use a treestand when feeling ill, nauseous or dizzy.
8. **Never** use a treestand on a dead, leaning, diseased or loose barked tree or on a utility pole.
9. **Never** rely on a tree branch for support.
10. **Never** jump or bounce on a treestand/ladder stand/pod stand/climbing aid to seat it to the tree.
11. Pull up a bow, backpack, firearm or other equipment only after being secure in the treestand and a firearm must be pulled up with it unloaded, chamber open and muzzle down.
12. Inform someone of the hunting location, where the treestand will be located and the expected duration of the hunt.
13. A signal device such a mobile phone, radio, whistle, signal flare or personal locator device (PLD) must be on your person and readily available at all times.
14. Inspect the treestand and all safety devices each time before use and do not store a treestand outdoors when not in use.
15. **Never** modify your stand in any way by making repairs, replacing parts, or altering adding or attaching anything to it except if explicitly authorized by the manufacturer.
16. Practice installing, adjusting and using your treestand at ground level prior to using it at elevated positions.
17. Instructions (written and video) should be kept in a safe place and reviewed at least annually. It is the responsibility of the treestand owner to furnish the instructions to any person that who borrows or purchases the treestand.

Climbing Treestand Warnings and Precautions:

1. The initial angle of the platform/climber at ground level must allow for the decrease in tree diameter while ascending by tilting slightly upward.
2. For two-piece climbing treestands the tether connecting the top and the platform must be secure and at the proper length recommended by the manufacturer.
3. Platform level adjustments should not be made anywhere except at ground level (except for those special cases of products designed and intended to be safely adjusted by the manufacturer's instructions).
4. While climbing, adjustments to the harness attachment to the tree (tether/tree belt) should be frequent and coordinated with treestand movement to maintain the least amount of slack in the tether that will allow for climbing.
5. Familiarize yourself with the use of climbers by practicing at ground level before using in a hunting environment.

Non-Climbing/Fixed Position/Hang On Treestand Warnings and Precautions:

1. The use of a lineman's/climbing belt is required when installing a hang-on treestand to stabilize the user with the tree.
2. Correct tightening and adjustments of chains, cables, straps, etc. are critical to stable hang-on treestand installation. All treestand contact points must be in contact with the tree before you step onto your stand.
3. Practice the attachment of hang-on treestands at ground level before using in a hunting environment.
4. **Never** leave a treestand in a tree for more than two weeks since weather or animals could cause damage. Tree growth can also stress and damage straps and buckles.
5. Use a haul line to raise and lower the treestand. **Never** climb with anything on your back.
6. Climbing aids (stick ladders, sectional ladders, steps, etc.) must extend above the platform to allow the user to step down onto the platform. **Never** step up to your stand from a climbing aid.

Ladder/Pod Stand Warnings and Precautions:

1. Use at least three people to install and/or take down a ladder treestand.
2. The crisscross straps and stabilization devices must be attached before climbing to the platform.
3. When installing a ladder stand, always bounce on the first rung to set the ladder into the ground according to manufacturer's instructions before proceeding to climb any higher.
4. Check every ladder section connection every time you use the stand before you leave the ground. If ladder sections are separating, do not use the stand.
5. Check the ground under stand to make sure it is firm and level. Sloping ground or uneven surface (one side on a rock) can cause your ladder to tilt or shift off the tree as you climb.
6. Maintain three points of contact when climbing a ladder treestand.
7. Always lean forward as you climb and attach your harness to the tree before securing the platform to the tree and stepping onto the platform.

Fall Arrest System (Harness) Warnings and Precautions:

1. Read and understand the manufacturer's Warnings, expiration date and instructions on how to use and how to properly adjust the harness.
2. Practice the use of a full body harness at ground level in the presence of a responsible adult to experience the feeling of hanging suspended before using in a hunting environment.
3. The length of the harness tether must be minimized at all times. It should be adjusted so that it is above the head with no slack (snug) in the sitting position and you should have the minimum amount of slack possible when climbing.
4. **Never** allow the tether strap to get under your chin or around your neck.
5. If the hunting location is unknown by anyone and communication efforts are unsuccessful, you must have a personal plan for recovery/escape because prolonged suspension in a harness can be fatal. It is important to exercise the legs by pushing against the tree or doing other forms of continuous leg exercises to avoid blood pooling while being suspended. Hunters with varying degrees of physical fitness may require different plans to recover/escape the effects of prolonged suspension. Have a personal plan and practice it in the presence of a responsible adult before leaving the ground. No one escape/rescue plan will work for every hunter on every tree in every circumstance. Only you can determine the best recovery/escape plan for your hunting situation and you must have a recovery/escape plan for your situation before leaving the ground. A suspension relief device **must** be on your person and readily accessible while using a harness. This device will allow the user to relieve the load on the lower extremities if suspended in a harness to maintain circulation in the legs and prevent suspension trauma (blood pooling). Be sure to follow the manufacturers' directions on the safe use of any suspension relief device.
6. Hunt from the ground when self-recovery/escape ability is absent.
7. There is time to make a correct decision on what action to take if a fall occurs while wearing a full body harness. It is important to remember, "**DO NOT PANIC.**"

Climbing Aids/Stick Ladder Warnings and Precautions:

1. A full body harness with lineman's/climbing belt must be worn at all times while installing or removing any hang-on climbing aids.
2. Hang-on climbing aids must be placed on the tree at a height above the platform where the user can maintain a hand hold on the unit and step downwards onto the treestand. **Never** step up from a climbing device to get into your stand.
3. When using a climbing/lineman's belt to ascend the tree, the full body harness should be attached to the tree before stepping down onto the treestand.
4. Sectional ladders and steps should be spaced on the tree to insure each step is no more than 18 inches apart.
5. Check every stick ladder section connection every time you use the stick ladder before you leave the ground. If stick ladder sections are separating, do not use the stick ladder.

Section 1. Assembling Your New Treestand.

Please contact us at www.summitstands.com or 256-353-0634 to obtain any missing parts or if your DVD does not work.

Comfort Pads. The camouflaged foam pads for the frame can be easily attached for additional comfort and noise reduction. The cable ties for attaching the pads are “in-line” cable ties: Note the correct and incorrect ways of attaching. To attach - pull the cable ties snug, cut off the excess, and rotate the clasp to the underside of the pad. Attach the short pads to the arms with the opening down as shown in **Figure 1**. Two cable ties per pad is sufficient. Place the long pad over the front of the seat bar with equal lengths extending on each side and with the opening down. Use the remaining cable ties to secure the pads.

Backpack Straps. The backpack straps consist of three parts - two 1” wide straps each with sewn in loop and a 2” wide strap with buckles and a loop sewn in. Place the looped end on the 2” wide strap around the middle of the second platform rung from the front of the stand as shown in **Figure 2**. Push all of the remaining 2” strap through the loop as shown in **Figure 3**. Place the looped end of the 1” wide strap around the stand tubing (A) and bring the loose end back through the loop as shown in **Figure 4**. Repeat for other side. Thread the loose end of each 1” strap through the buckle on the 2” strap as shown in **Figure 5**. The completed assembly should look like **Figure 6**.

Footrest (Installation is made easier by the use of a powered screwdriver)

Step 1. Insert the Footrest Bracket into the perimeter tube as shown in **Figure 7**. This bracket should be placed between the first and second rung from the front of the platform.

Step 2. Secure the bracket with one self tapping screw as shown in **Figure 8**. Repeat for the other side.

Step 3. Insert two of the long shank bushings into the pre-punched holes in each end of the footrest tube.

Step 4. Insert the short shank bushing into the outside of each footrest bracket from **Step 1** (See **Figure 9**).

Step 5. Line up the footrest bar on the **INSIDE** of the two footrest brackets and secure one side using the 1 1/2” bolt and lock nut. The gap between the other side of the bar and the bracket is normal.

Step 6. Insert the remaining 1 1/2” bolt through the other side of the footrest bar and pull the bar to the side so that you can tighten the lock nut. If squeaking occurs, loosen the bolts by 1/2 turn.

Step 7. Fold the bar down and note where it crosses the stand frame - make a mark at this point. Fold the bar back up. Secure the two rubber bumpers at the mark using the two remaining self tapping screws as shown in **Figure 10**. Your finished footrest should look like **Figure 11**.

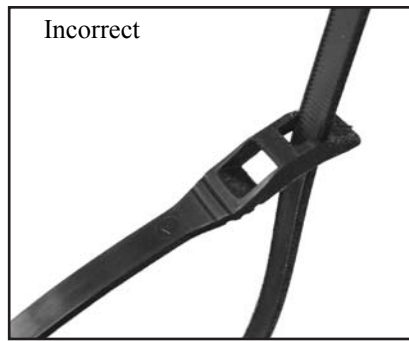
Gun Rest.

The Gun Rest attaches to the perimeter tubing of the stand as shown in **Figure 12**. See **Figure 13** for assembly diagram.

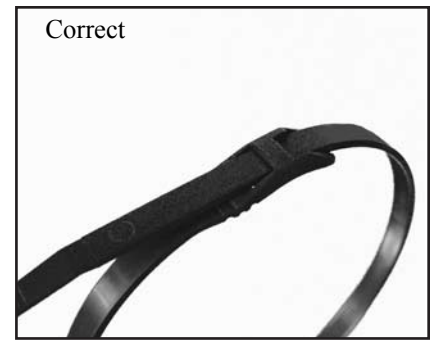
Step 1. Slide the “U” shaped gun rest bracket over the aluminum tubing with the open end of the “U” facing toward the tree.

Step 2. Insert two short shank bushings into the pre-punched holes in the “U” shaped gun rest bracket.

Step 3. Insert the long bolt through the top of the bracket.



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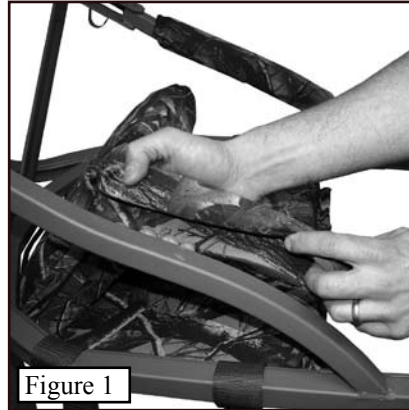


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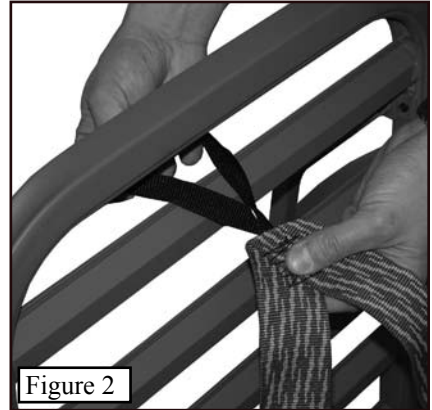


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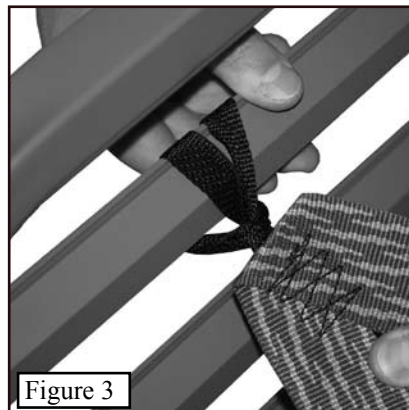


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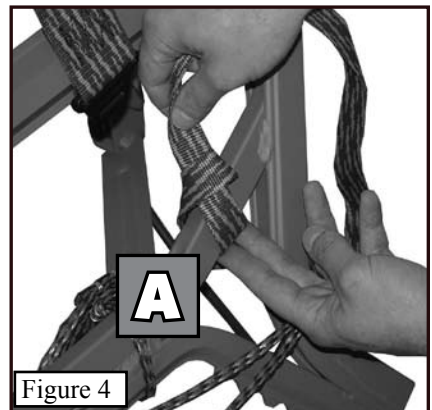


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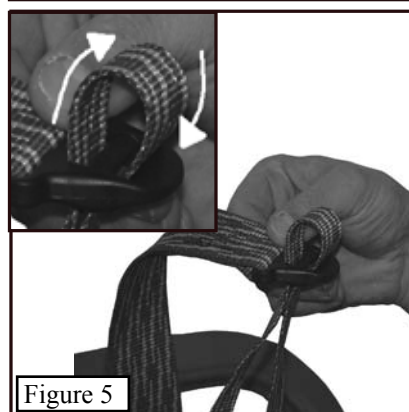


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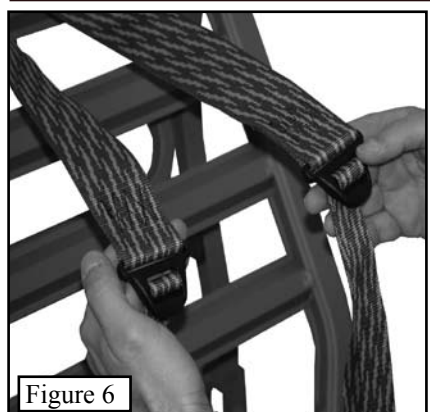


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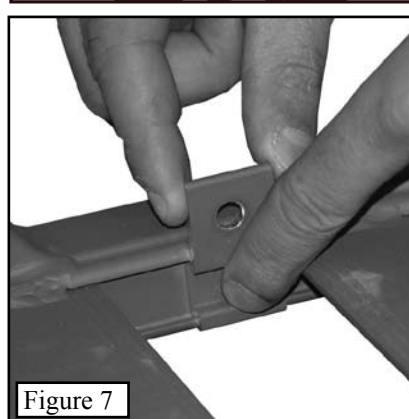


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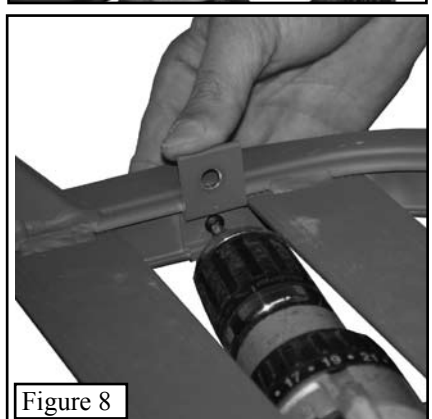


Figure 8

Step 4. Insert the two long shank bushings into the pre-punched hole in the “L” shaped gun rest bar.

Step 5. Slide the gun rest bar up onto the bracket from the bottom.

Step 6. Install the large plastic knob and tighten securely.

Section 2. Use of the Viper Ultra Climbing Treestand

Part 1. Attachment To The Tree.

Step 1. Attach the base platform to the tree first. To do this, pull down and hold the QuickDraw cable spring as shown in **Figure 14**. This will release the locking tab from the cable, allowing you to remove it from the cable bracket.

Step 2. Take one end of the cable around the tree and begin to slide it down into the tubing as shown in **Figure 15**. Once the cable slides easily into the tubing (it helps to bend the cable upward while pushing down on it), you are ready to place it in its final position.

Step 3. Pull the cable towards the back of the tree and “seat” one of the cable stops against the back of the bracket, as shown in **Figure 16**. The QuickDraw cable spring will “lock” into place behind one of the cable stops.

Step 4. Your cable bracket should now look like **Figure 17**. **WARNING:** If the QuickDraw cable spring does not lock into place behind the cable stop, **DO NOT USE THE TREESTAND!** Contact Summit to obtain the proper corrective action.

Step 5. If necessary, go to the other side of the tree and position the other end of the cable by repeating the steps of pulling the QuickDraw cable spring, sliding the cable into the tubing, and assuring that the QuickDraw cable spring has locked into position.

NOTE: The sole purpose of the plastic coating on the cable is to eliminate noise. After some use you may notice some abrasions, peeling or possibly cuts in the coating. This coating does not affect the performance or safety of your treestand. It is there to eliminate unnecessary noise when sliding the cable down into the tubing. **WARNING: DO NOT USE THE CABLE IF IT HAS BROKEN OR DAMAGED METAL STRANDS!** Call immediately to order a replacement if this should occur.

To ensure that your treestand is level at the height at which you will be hunting, observe the relative change in the tree diameter between the base of the tree and the final treestand height. It is very important to adjust the treestand base platform and seat at the base of the tree such that the treestand base platform will be level at the height you hunt. Trees commonly found in swamp or marsh areas have a tendency to swell at their base, and these may require a greater starting angle in order for your treestand to be level - as compared to a normally tapered tree.

WARNING: Usually, the front edge of the treestand (the edge away from the tree) should be 4-6 inches higher than the edge against the tree (See **Figure 18**). The treestand seat climber attaches above the standing platform and should also have the same basic angle as the platform before you start to climb. **WARNING:** The standing platform and climber **MUST BE** attached to each other with the tether rope supplied, as shown in **Figure 19**. Wrap the rope around **TWICE** before tying it off.

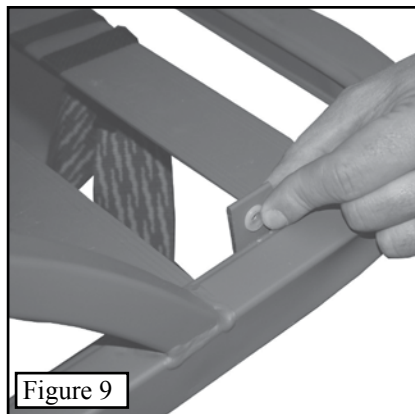


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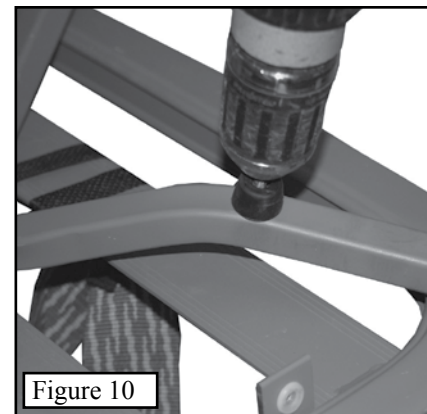


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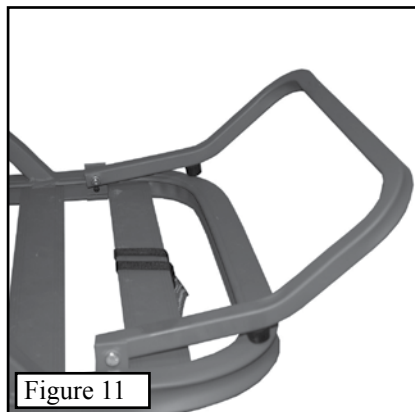


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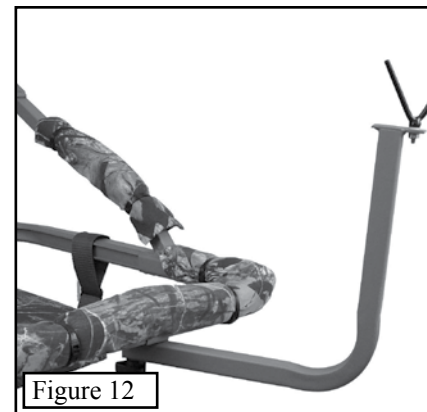


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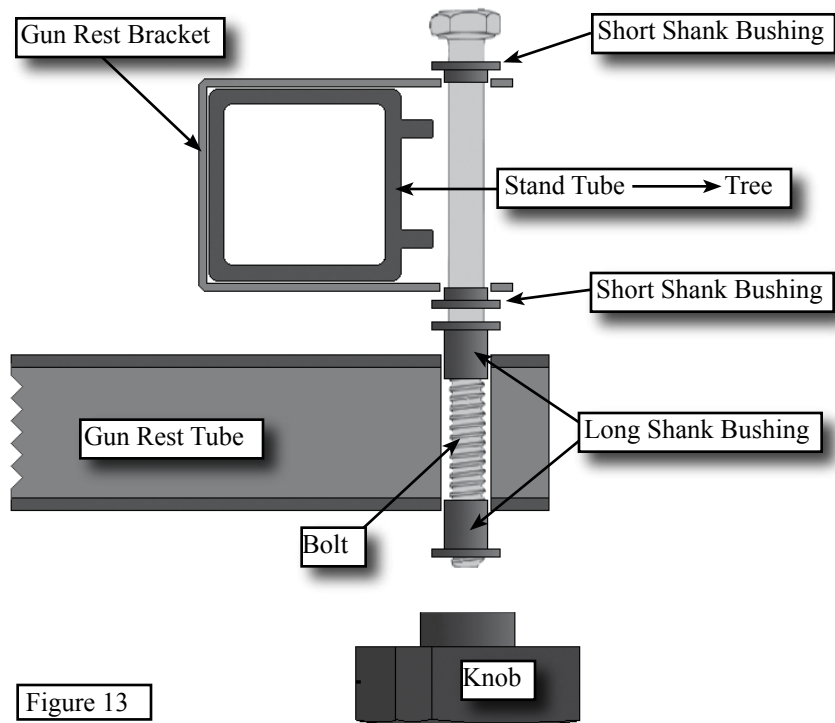


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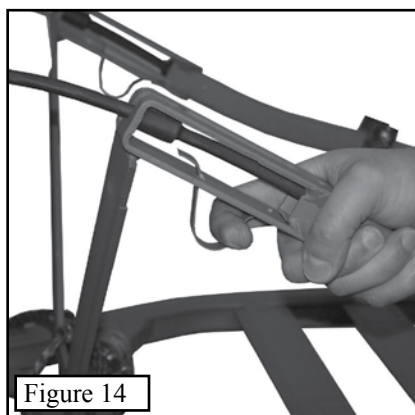


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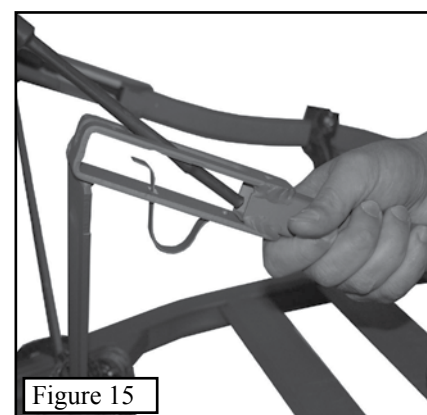


Figure 15

Part 2. Climbing With Your New Stand.

Step 1. Now that your platform and seat section are attached to the tree, you are ready to climb. It is **MANDATORY** that you use a safety harness as you climb. **Be sure to read the safety harness instructions for proper use of your safety harness.** Simply attach the safety line to the tree above the seat climber and secure it to the harness for climbing as shown in **Figure 20**.

Step 2. Your foot strap and bungee heel cords should be already attached to your treestand. Loosen the foot strap assembly by releasing the spring lever buckle and sliding the green webbing through until you have plenty of room for the front of your boot (See **Figure 21**). Once both feet are under the green strap, pull the free end to tighten the webbing. **YOU MUST** pull the elastic heel cord around the back of your boot, as shown in **Figure 22**.

At this point **IT IS REQUIRED THAT YOU** attach your safety harness to the safety line around the tree. Hook the seat back elastic bungee cord as shown in **Figure 23** to keep it secure while you climb.

Step 3. To begin climbing, raise your seat climber up to just below waist height and grasp the upright arms very firmly as shown in **Figure 24**.

Step 4. With all of your weight back on the padded bar, disengage the platform by lifting the treestand platform, as shown in **Figure 25**.

Step 5. To re-engage the platform, simply rotate the edge back against the tree upwards, as shown in **Figure 26**.

WARNING: DO NOT JUMP OR BOUNCE ON THE PLATFORM OR SEAT to attempt to cause it to “dig” into the tree. It is not necessary and may cause you to inadvertently disengage the platform or seat.

Step 6. Now ease your weight back onto the platform (to ensure that you have not placed it on an unseen knot or limb on the backside of the tree), then slide your safety harness rope up the tree. **Repeat steps 3-6** until you are at your desired hunting height.

WARNING: DO NOT TIP YOUR WEIGHT ONTO YOUR TOES unless you are ready to move the platform. This will tend to disengage the platform from the tree. The foot straps are located in such a position that equal distribution of weight will secure the platform to the tree while climbing.

WARNING: DO NOT USE the Viper Ultra without a Viper Ultra seat or other climber. The climbers provided with these stands are designed to aid you in the correct operation of the treestand while climbing by keeping your weight away from the tree. The seat climber is also built so that it fits securely with the platform for carrying.

Part 3. Using Your New Stand.

WARNING: NEVER DISCONNECT FROM YOUR SAFETY LINE ONCE YOU ARE IN THE TREE!!

Step 1. When you get to your hunting height (do not climb higher than 15 feet; it is unnecessary) and have assured that your treestand is level, position your seat climber slightly below waist level. Slightly lower will be more comfortable but higher makes for less movement when you stand.

Step 2. Wrap the supplied green tourniquet buckle strap (1” strap with spring loaded buckle) around the tree and through the seat frame as shown in **Figure 27**. Securely tighten the strap to prevent the notched teeth area from losing contact with the tree.

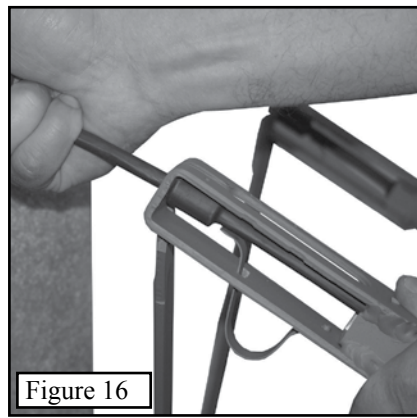


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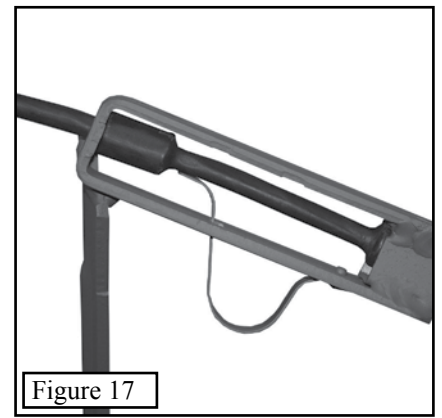


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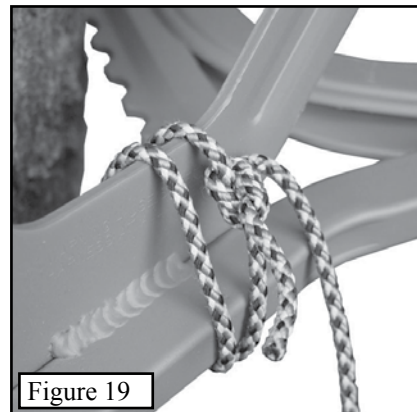


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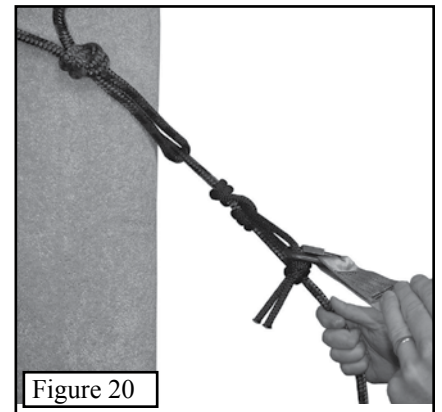


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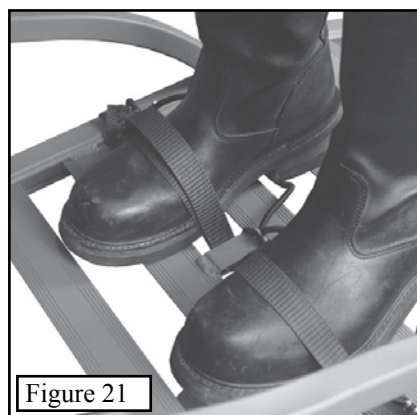


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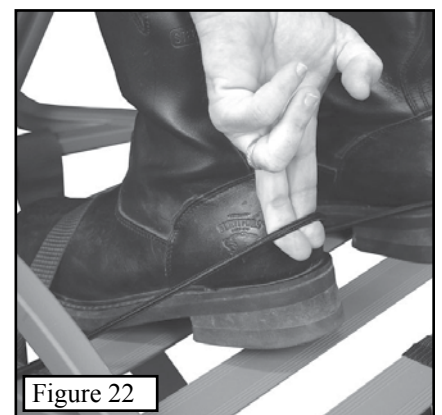


Figure 22

Step 3. Unhook the bungee cord that held the seat back rest secure while you were climbing. Position the seat back rest by wrapping each end of the bungee cord around the climbing cable and hooking the two hooks together as shown in **Figure 28**. The bungee cord will prevent the seat backrest from falling forwards if you stand up.

Step 4. With your safety harness attached to the tree above the climber, simply pull your feet, one at a time, from their secured position under the foot straps.

Step 5. Position your safety harness to minimize the amount of slack in the safety line and tether strap then carefully sit down. The treestand seat will provide maximum comfort when the seat pad is near horizontal rather than tipped down in the front. The seat height can be easily raised (for bow hunting) or lowered (for gun hunting) by adjusting the two piece buckles up or down the webbing. See **Figure 29**.

CAUTION: The adjustments should be made on the ground. Both sides must be adjusted evenly so the seat is level side to side. Sliding the webbing straps forward or backward on the frame give additional comfort.

Part 4. Climbing Down With Your New Stand.

Step 1. Reattach your treestand platform to your feet - **KEEP YOUR HARNESS SECURELY ATTACHED TO THE TREE** until reaching the ground. **Follow the steps in Part 2, Step 2.**

Step 2. Disconnect the elastic cord that has been holding the foam seat in place and fold the seat up. Secure the backrest and seat as shown previously in **Figure 23**. Disconnect and store the strap that has held the seat frame to the tree (shown in previous **Figure 27**).

Step 3. Place the seat climber at about knee level, sit on the padded bar, and grasp the upright arms as you did when climbing (see **Figure 30**).

Step 4. While firmly grasping the seat climber upright arms, disengage the platform by lifting up and tipping the edge closest to the tree downward. Once the platform has been dislodged, you can lower it down (see previous **Figure 25**).

Make slow, even movements of 10-12 inches at a time.

Step 5. To re-engage, rotate the top edge of the treestand closest to the tree upwards. Now carefully place your weight back on the treestand. **WARNING: DO NOT JUMP OR BOUNCE ON THE PLATFORM OR SEAT** to attempt to cause it to “dig” into the tree. It is not necessary and may cause you to inadvertently disengage the platform or seat.

Step 6. Slide your safety harness rope down to about chest height and **repeat steps 3-6** until you have reached the bottom of the tree. **NEVER disconnect your harness until reaching the ground.**

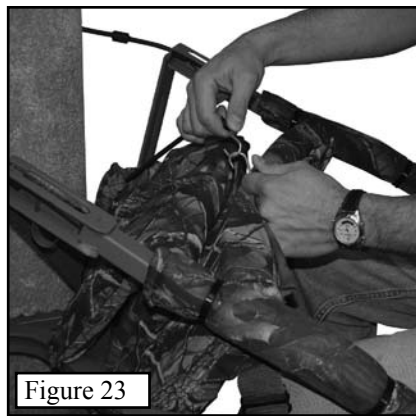


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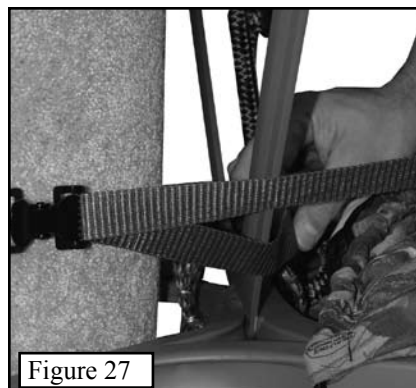


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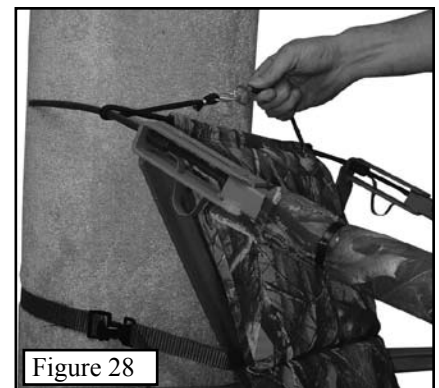


Figure 28

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5,937,969; 5,971,104; 5,975,242;
5,979,603; 6,125,966; 6,182,792;
6,397,973; D,417,011; D,420,147

Summit Bucksteps and RapidClimb Stirrups are Patent Pending



Figure 29

Part 5. Backpacking / Carrying Your New Treestand.

Your treestand is designed to “nest” together as one unit making it easy to transport.

Step 1. Start with the seat climber portion of the stand, set it on its end as shown in **Figure 31**. Slide the arm pads down towards the cable bracket.

Step 2. Take the platform and slide it into the seat climber so that its upright braces and cable bracket are next to the same areas on the seat climber as shown in **Figure 32**.

Step 3. The teeth area on the platform should come into contact with the “V” brace on the seat climber. From this position, pull the seat backrest through the large gap in the platform as shown in **Figure 33**.

Step 4. Secure the seat to the stand by running the seat bungee around the frame and clipping it off. **Figure 34**.

Step 5. The backpack straps will most likely be wedged in behind the seat. Pull them out and around the seat webbing and push the seat as far down in the frame as possible (see **Figure 35**).

Step 6. Secure the top and platform together with the 1” wide green strap with the spring loaded tourniquet buckle as shown in **Figure 36**. This will prevent seat the seat and the platform from making noise as you hike to your hunting location.

Step 7. Use the backpack straps to carry the unit on your back as shown in **Figure 37**. Pull the loose end of the straps to tighten and pull up on the buckle to release.

Section 3. Maintenance and Care of Your Treestand.

Because of the quality construction techniques used in manufacturing, your Summit Treestand is very durable under normal hunting conditions. However, since all hunting equipment that is exposed to the elements requires some maintenance and care, the following guidelines for caring for your treestand should be used. **DO NOT** leave your treestand outdoors when it is not being used. **Any tubing that is allowed to fill with rainwater and freeze WILL rupture or burst. DO NOT use your treestand if this happens.** If your treestand is exposed to the elements, it will be necessary to cover the seat to prevent rain and moisture from saturating the material. This will extend the life of the seat material as well as make it more comfortable the next time it is used.

The powder coat finish that is applied at the factory is very durable and should need touch ups only in areas of heavy wear or accidental impact.

Should you damage any part of your Summit Treestand, contact your nearest authorized Summit dealer or the factory to obtain the proper corrective action procedure and/or replacement parts for the treestand. Unauthorized repairs, modifications, or alterations will void the warranty and could degrade the integrity of the treestand. You must perform periodic inspections of the treestand for damage. **WARNING: DO NOT use the treestand if ANY obvious or suspected damage is observed.** It is **VERY IMPORTANT** to inspect the cable on your climbing treestand to ensure that there is no sign of frayed, damaged or broken strands. If **ANY** such damage is noticed, you must replace your cable **IMMEDIATELY**. Replacement covering for the cables is also available. **NOTE:** The plastic covering on the cables serves **ONLY** as a noise reducer. Over time your cable cover will begin to wear. This is normal.

CAUTION: Look for nicks, gouges, cuts, cracks, bends, corrosion or similar damage that can be the result of improper use or accidental damage. For instance, this could occur if someone else used the treestand without knowledge of its proper use, or if the treestand were dropped,



Figure 30



Figure 31



Figure 32



Figure 33



Figure 34



Figure 35



Figure 36



Figure 37

hit by a motor vehicle or subject to corrosive conditions, etc. Summit Treestands have the highest structural integrity by design, material selection and manufacturing techniques, but as its owner, only your continued care will assure trouble free performance. When the above-mentioned guidelines are followed, your Summit Treestand will provide years of successful hunting.

Section 4. Adjustments

To loosen the backpack straps, simply pull up on the thumb tabs. To tighten them, pull down on the loose tag ends of the straps. This can be done before or after the treestand is on your back.

The seat height can be adjusted by means of the two piece buckle on each seat strap. This adjustment should be made on the ground and both sides must be adjusted equally so the seat is level side to side.

Harness Suspension

It is necessary and very important that someone knows your hunting location and time of return. It is also very important that you carry (on your person) emergency communication devices such as a cell phone, two-way radio, whistle, signal flare or preferably a PLD (Personal Locator Device - FCC approved July, '03). When triggered, a PLD will transmit an emergency signal to local rescue teams identifying your location via satellite GPS coordinates. Wilderness outfitters and the internet are sources for these PLD's.

Suspension trauma or blood pooling can occur when suspended motionless in a harness for periods of time. This can lead to unconsciousness. **WARNING: IF YOU HAVE TO HANG IN THE TREE BEFORE HELP ARRIVES, YOU NEED TO EXERCISE YOUR LEGS BY PUSHING OFF FROM THE TREE OR BY USING THE ENCLOSED SUSPENSION RELIEF STRAP. SEE THE TREESTAND HARNESS INSTRUCTIONS AND THE ENCLOSED INSTRUCTIONS FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

Self extraction may be necessary in the unfortunate situation that A) No one knows your location, B) Your communication efforts are exhausted, and C) You're confident that you have the strength, dexterity and ability to perform self-extraction and D) You decide this is your "absolute last resort". It is necessary to carry a device to assist with this self-extraction. Simple devices such as screw-in steps or a rope "Tree Descender" (available from Summit) will allow you to remove the weight from your harness. This may enable you to return to the treestand/ladder/climbing steps or slowly descend the tree.

Tips

With proper practice you can learn to level your platform without climbing down to re-position the cable. Pulling the cable against the back-side of the tree while you're supporting the platform with your legs can do this. While the cable is against the tree, position the platform level and engage the front edge against the tree. This puts a slight bend in the cable while keeping the platform level. Only minor level adjustment, however, can be made using this technique. (The DVD shows this technique).

Sometimes on a cold, dry, hard bark tree a rubbing noise can be produced at the scalloped edge that engages the tree. This comes from friction forces. It can be eliminated a couple of ways. First, simply re-positioning your platform slightly will in most cases eliminate the noise. Second, a liquid or candle/bowstring wax can be applied at the intersection of the tree and the scalloped edge to reduce the friction. Also, using a file to remove the finish and slightly upset (roughen) the smooth metal surface contact points on the scallops can eliminate the noise.

Changing your sitting position can relieve muscle stress and reduce fatigue. This will allow a longer hunt and perhaps an opportunity for a shot. Although it must be done slowly and quietly, repositioning and changing the height of your seat by raising or lowering the seat frame just a couple of inches could make a difference. This changes the hip to knee angle. Moving the seat straps, again slowly and quietly, forward or backward on their support bar will alter the sitting position also. Being comfortable will result in no movement and reduce being detected by game either from sight or from sound.

Limited Warranty

(A) Warranty

Summit Treestands, LLC (Summit) warrants to the original retail purchaser that all products manufactured by it are free from defects in material and manufacture at the time of shipment for sixty (60) months from the date of purchase. Summit will repair or replace any part found defective if the unit claimed to be defective shall be returned to Summit, postage prepaid, within the warranty period.

This warranty shall not apply to any product which has been subjected to misuse; misapplication; neglect (including but not limited to improper maintenance); accident; improper installation; modification (including but not limited to use of unauthorized parts or attachments); adjustment or repair. THE FOREGOING IS IN LIEU OF ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, WHETHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED (INCLUDING THOSE OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS OF ANY PRODUCT FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE), AND OF ANY OTHER OBLIGATION OF LIABILITY ON THE PART OF THE COMPANY.

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Summit reserves the right to make alterations or modifications in its products at any time, which in its opinion, may improve the performance and efficiency of the product. It shall not be obligated to make such alterations or modifications to products already in service.

Please fill out the warranty card and return to:

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Parts List

BOX CONTENTS

PN	DESCRIPTION	QTY
70100	Platform	1
85026	Footstrap Kit (attached to Platform)	1
70102	Viper Ultra Top	1
71200	Viper Ultra Foam Seat (attached to Top)	1
30700	Climbing Cable	2
40129	Gun Rest Bar with Pivoting "V"	1
40123	Footrest Bar	1
70825	Accessory Packet	1

70825 - ACCESSORY PACKET CONTENTS









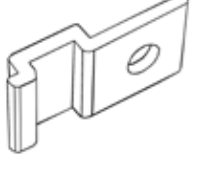
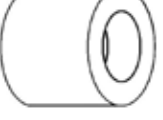
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71223	12" Arm Pad	2
71224	18" Front Pad Viper models	1
85051	In-Line Cable Ties	7
83032	Summit 4 Point Safety Harness	1
83023	Safety Line with Prussic Hitch	1
10512	Locking Clip for Safety Line / Harness	1
10953	Suspension Relief Strap with Instructions	1
85005	Backpack straps (3 Pieces)	1
30536	Umbilical Rope	1
30285	Tourniquet Strap with Buckle (green)	1
	2007 DVD	1
	Cabela's MegaBucks 9 DVD	1

Written Treestand Instructions
 Written Instructions for Summit Harness

Tools Required

- 7/16" Socket and Ratchet
- 7/16" Wrench
- Phillip's Head Manual or Powered Screw Driver
- Side Cutters or Knife for Trimming Cable Ties

HARDWARE FOR VIPER ULTRA

PN	DESCRIPTION	QTY
10606	3" Bolt (1/4 x 20)	1
		
10600	1 1/2" Bolt (1/4 x 20)	2
		
10640	Long Shank Bushing	6
		
10641	Short Shank Bushing	4
		
10612	Center Lock Nut	2
		
10635	Self Tapping Screw	4
		
10661	Knob (Not to Scale)	1
		
20435	Gun Rest Bracket (Not to Scale)	1
		
10122	Footrest Bracket (Not to Scale)	2
		
10668	Footrest Bumpers	2
		

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