

READ ME FIRST!!!

Please read carefully **BEFORE** using your new SwifTree. **YOU MUST** also view the enclosed video **BEFORE** using your SwifTree!

Your new Summit SwifTree was designed to provide you a method to climb a tree in a secure manner. Safety, ease of use, and camouflage were the factors used in design to provide years of trouble-free, successful hunting with a minimum of maintenance and care. The information inside is provided for you to outline the recommended use, care and maintenance of your SwifTree.

How To Use The Summit SwifTree Climbing Pole

NOTICE! Always inspect the SwifTree parts before and after every use for possible damage. (See Maintenance section for details).

The first consideration when climbing a tree or using a treestand is to **ALWAYS USE A SAFETY HARNESS!**

• **FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS MAY CAUSE SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH!!**

Assembly

1. Insert the swaged end of the bottom section (68" long with the wire oval on the bottom) into the open end of one of the remaining two sections (see **Figure 1**). Make sure that the U-shaped standoff tubes on both sections are on the same side. Lightly tap or wiggle the sections so that the swaged end is fully seated against the stop crimped in the column. Keep your hands clear to avoid pinching between the two sections.

2. Duplicate Step 1 with the remaining section (top section) as



Figure 1

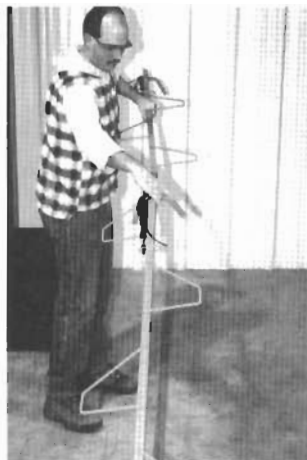


Figure 2



Figure 3

shown in **Figure 2**. The two sections already joined must be tilted to do this because of the full length of the three sections. Again check to insure that the U-shaped stand-offs are all on the same side.

To erect the SwifTree use the following procedure:

3. Be sure all the tie ropes are hanging free.
4. Place the assembled pole next to the tree such that the bottom oval and all sections are the same distance from the tree (see **Figure 3**). If all 3 sections of the SwifTree are not in contact with the tree, **DO NOT** force them against the tree. Reposition the SwifTree on another

section of the tree or locate another more suitable tree. The U-shaped standoff tubes should easily touch and provide proper spacing from the tree. The SwifTree must be straight and vertical. Press your weight on the first wire step so that the oval on the end of the bottom section settles firmly and completely into the ground.

5. Wrap the 1/4" tie rope (attached to the wire loop on the column) on the bottom (lowest) section tightly around the tree

as shown in **Figure 4**. The rope must be wrapped around so that it makes a horizontal loop around the tree and has no slack. This is easily done by pushing the pole so that the U-shaped standoff tube is firmly against the tree. The rope must be used to snug the SwifTree to the tree by pulling on it after making a partial loop

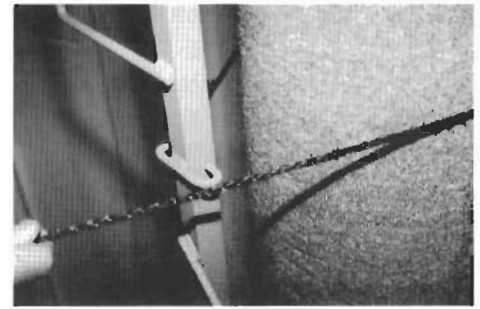


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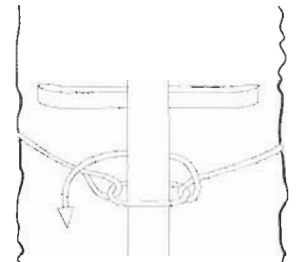


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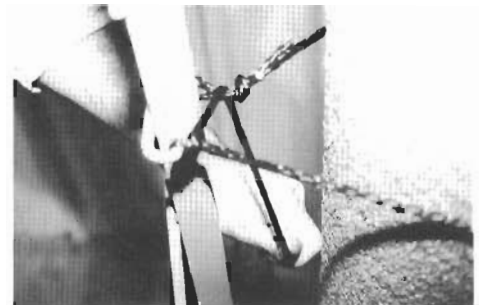


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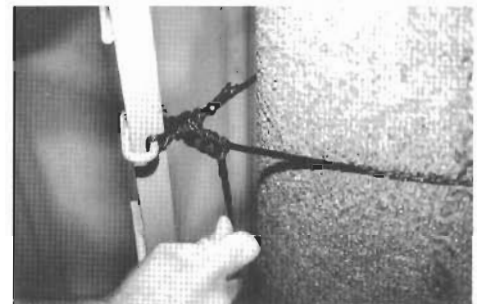


Figure 7

around the column. When snug, the rope should be threaded through the wire loop on the side opposite where it is permanently attached (see **Figure 5**). Then wrap the rope around itself to pull the two sections of rope together (see **Figure 6**). Finally, secure the rope by tying half hitch knots (see **Figure 7**). Three knots should be an ample number to secure the SwiftTree, but always test the knot before climbing higher. If any section of the SwiftTree is not securely attached to the tree, reposition all three sections and repeat steps 4 and 5.

6. At this point you must secure your safety belt or rope around you and the tree for support and to prevent falling backwards while climbing and securing the remaining two tie ropes. Now climb the bottom section of the SwiftTree to reach the second section. Repeat Step 5 to secure the second section tie rope.

7. Climb to reach the top section tie rope and repeat Step 5 again.

When descending, do not untie any tie rope until you are securely standing on the section below it and again, always use a safety belt or rope for support.

Maintenance & Care of Your Summit SwiftTree

The quality of material and fabrication techniques used in manufacturing the Summit SwiftTree makes it 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 care of your SwiftTree should be used.

If you find the need to leave your SwiftTree outdoors for a short time, perhaps overnight or during lunch break, do not assume that nothing has changed. When you return always re-inspect its' security. Especially make sure the tie ropes on the SwiftTree are tight and that nothing has been damaged or changed.

Since the SwiftTree is constructed primarily of steel, it is very important to assure that any areas where the camouflage finish has been worn or chipped are properly cleaned and re-primed with a quality metal primer to prevent the formation of rust. The finish that is applied during manufacture is very durable and should only need touch-ups in areas of heavy wear or accidental impact.

Should you damage any part of your SwiftTree, you should contact your nearest authorized Summit dealer or us to obtain the proper corrective action procedure and/or replacement parts. Unauthorized repairs, modifications, or alterations will void the warranty and could degrade the integrity of your SwiftTree.

We strongly recommend that you periodically inspect your SwiftTree for damage. Look for nicks, gouges, cracks, bends, corrosion, etc., and similar defects that can be the result of improper use or accidental damage. For instance, this could occur if someone else used your SwiftTree without knowledge of its proper use, or if the SwiftTree were dropped, or hit by a motor vehicle, or subjected to corrosive conditions. Also inspect all ropes and straps for cuts, worn

places, abrasion, fraying, discoloration, etc. The SwiftTree has a high structural integrity by design, material selection and manufacturing technique, but as its' owner only your continued care will assure you trouble-free performance.

NOTE: We recommend that you replace the ropes at least annually or perhaps sooner if necessary.

When the above mentioned guidelines are followed, the SwiftTree will provide you with years of safe and successful hunting.

Conditions to Avoid

1. Do not use the SwiftTree during lightning, rain or snow or while taking drugs or using alcohol.

2. **IMPORTANT!!** - Due to the unique design of the SwiftTree and its' dependency on the tree for support, only attach this product to healthy, actively growing trees. Do not use the SwiftTree on a crooked, dead, damaged or leaning tree.

3. Do not completely remove your weight from the Swifttree when getting onto a treestand or onto a branch until you have checked the stability and security of the treestand or branch.

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