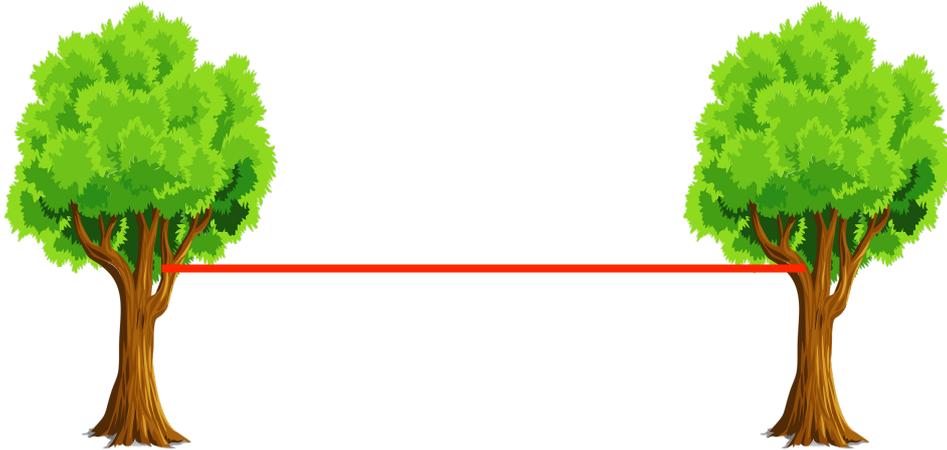


Learning in the Leaves

Ridged Tarp

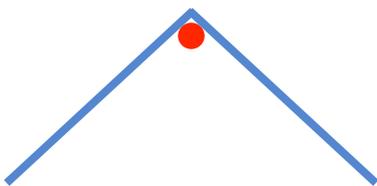


Stage 1: The A frame tarp is one of the easiest to set and can offer great protection from the elements. The first job is to find or create a ridge which is long enough to put your tarp over. This could either be a long straight branch or a ridge created by tying a rope between two trees.

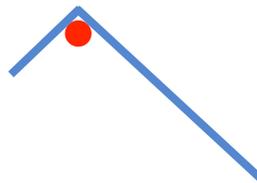


When tying your rope think carefully about the height of your shelter. Lower shelters offering more protection, which can be good for storing kit or sleeping. Higher shelters are good above fire pits or where you need to fit larger groups underneath.

Stage 2: Place your tarpaulin over the ridge you have created. Think carefully about where you want your tarpaulin over the ridge, as it can affect its purpose. See some examples below.



A- Frame – water easily runs down either side.



Open sided A- Frame – one side is more open, often good if watching a group in an area.



Body Bag– usually very low to the ground, ideal for kit and sleeping.

Stage 3: Once situated, tie the tarp in position. Tarps often have eyelets through, which rope can be tied. If not gather the material together and tie rope tightly around it. The other end can be tied to trees, rocks or you could make your own pegs.