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Header Bikini Installation Instructions

For: Jeep® Wrangler 1997 - 2002

Part Number: 52595

with or without Soundbar

with or without Door Surround

Note: Product must be used with a Windshield Header Kit Part #51235-01

Congratulations on your purchasing decision. Bestop designed this Bikini® Top to give you years of dependability and performance with proper care. If you encounter any problems during the installation of your Bikini® Top, or at any later date, please contact your authorized Bestop dealer or call our Consumer Response Department, Monday - Friday 7AM - 5:00PM (MST) at 1-800-845-3567 or (303) 465-1755 in Colorado.

DO NOT INSTALL THIS PRODUCT ON ANY VEHICLE OTHER THAN THOSE LISTED ABOVE.

This product is only designed for the vehicles listed above. Failure to install this product on the proper vehicle could cause injury to the vehicle occupants and damage to the product.



WARNING

This product is designed to enhance the appearance of the vehicle. Do not rely in any way on the components of this product to contain occupants or cargo within the vehicle, or to protect against injury or death in the event of an accident. Never operate vehicle in excess of manufacturer's specifications.

WEAR SEAT BELTS AT ALL TIMES

Read and follow, precisely, all installation instructions provided when installing this product. Failure to do so could place occupants or cargo of the vehicle in a potentially dangerous situation. After installing or reinstalling, check to make sure it has been properly installed.

Installation Tips

Before you begin installing this product, read all instructions thoroughly. Below are a few tips to make this installation easier. After completing the installation, keep these instructions for further reference.

For a smooth fit:

For ease in installation, the Top should be installed at temperatures above 72° F. Below this temperature, the fabric may contract an inch or more, making it difficult to fit to the vehicle.

It is normal for the fabric to contract and wrinkle when stored in the shipping carton. Within a few days after the installation, the fabric will relax and the wrinkles will disappear.

Parts List

Bikini

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Installation



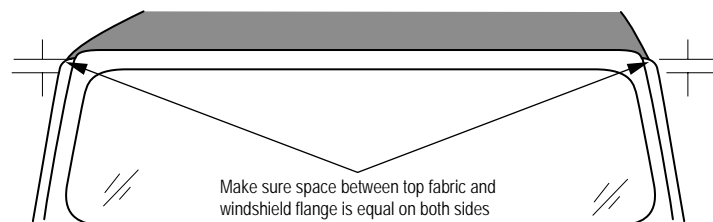
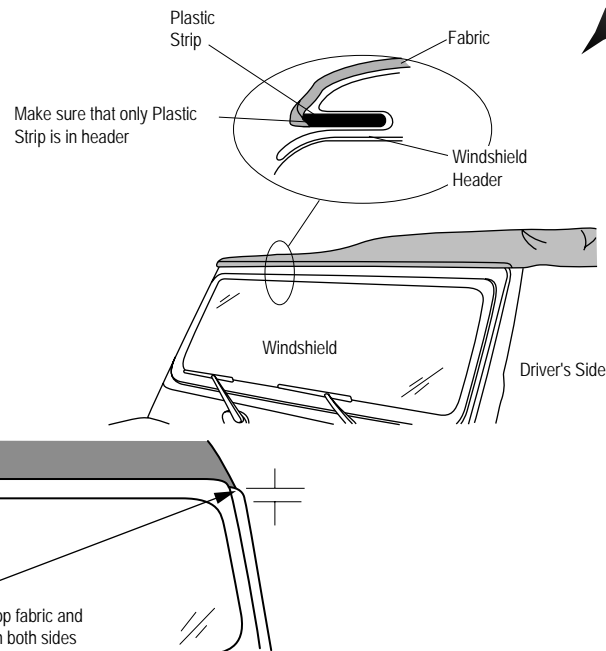
CAUTION

Safety glasses should be worn at all times while installing this product.

Step One

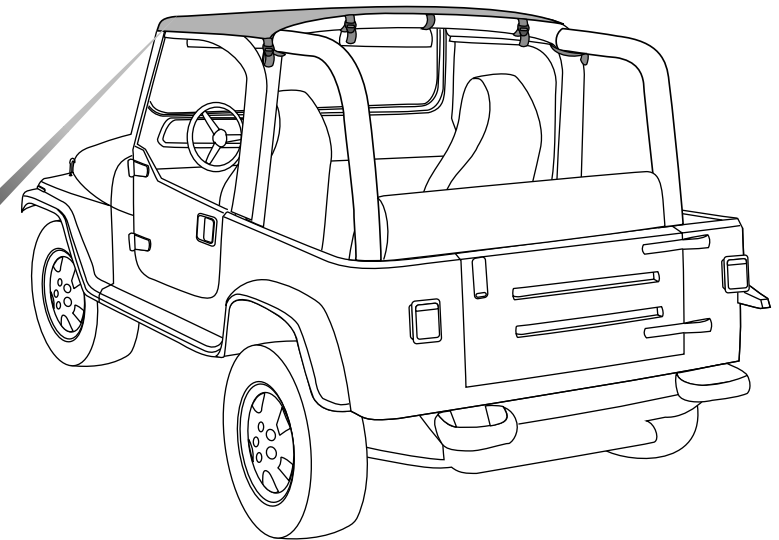
INSTALL BIKINI IN WINDSHIELD HEADER

Orient the Bikini on the vehicle and drape it over the sport bars. Insert the plastic strip sewn along the front of the Bikini into the windshield header. Do not catch the fabric in the header. Center the Bikini on the vehicle so that it is an equal distance from the top of the windshield flange on both sides.



View from front

Note: For best possible installation, check to make sure that the bikini top is perfectly centered on the vehicle.

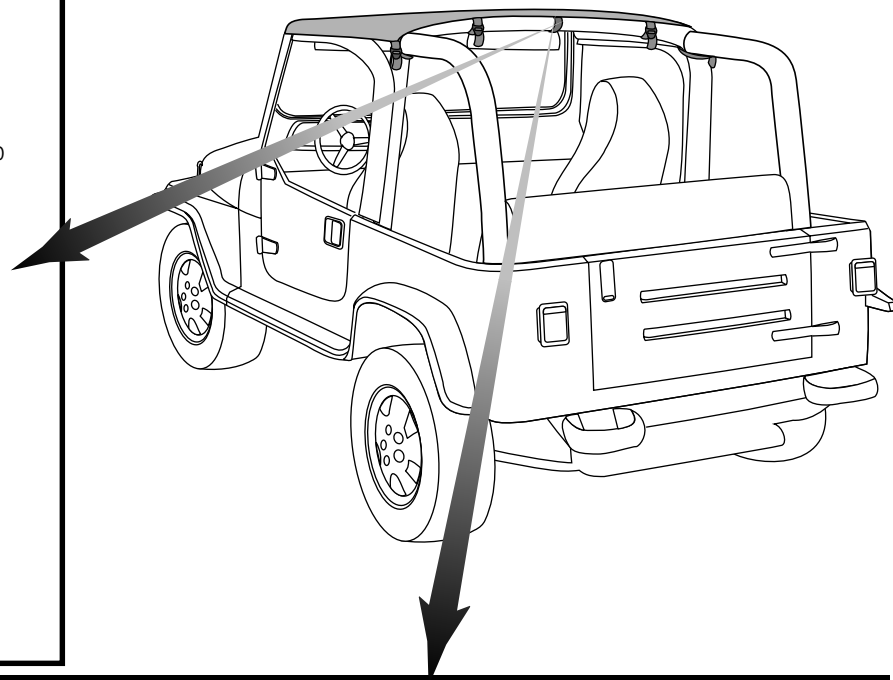
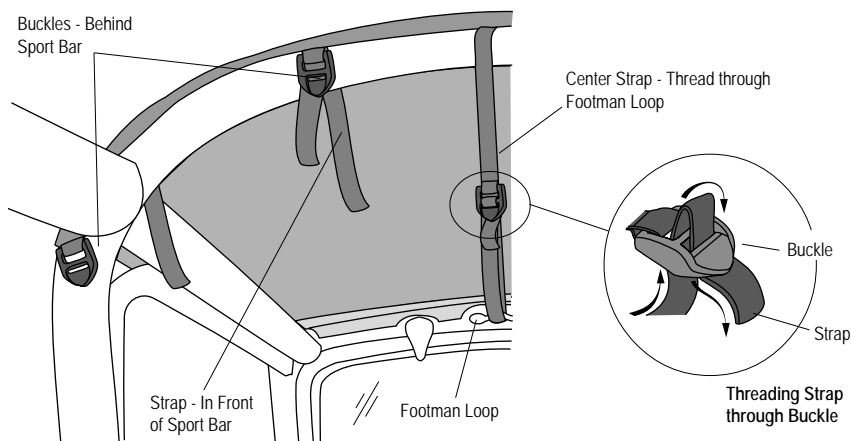


Step Two - Without Soundbar

FASTEN CENTER STRAP

Drape the fabric over the sport bar. Make sure that the long tails of the straps on the rear of the Bikini are in front of the sport bar and that the buckle end of the strap is behind the sport bar, except the long center strap and the two outside straps.

Wrap the long center strap at the rear of the Bikini around the sport bar, pull it forward into the vehicle to the windshield. Thread the strap through the footman loop on the windshield frame. Then pull the end of the strap back and thread it through the buckle. Tighten it securely.



Step Two- With Soundbar

FASTEN CENTER STRAP

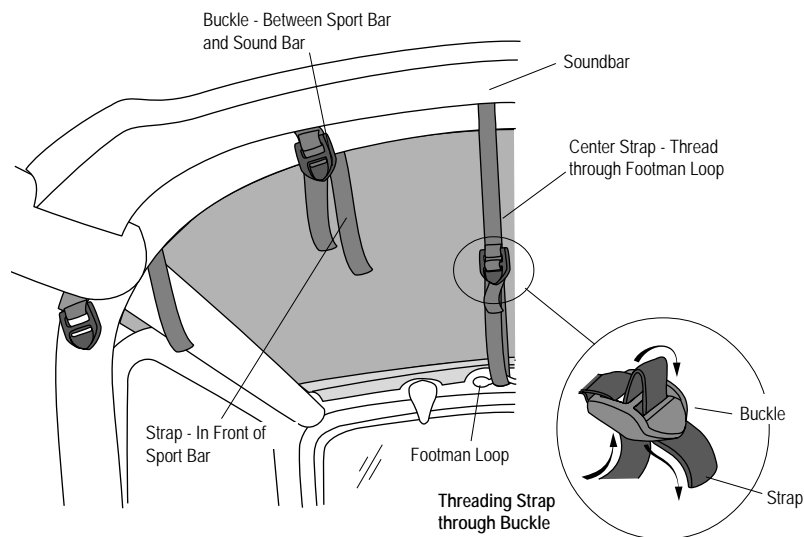
Drape the fabric over the sport bar. Make sure that the long tails of the straps on the rear corners of the Bikini are in front of the sport bar and that the long center strap is resting on top of the soundbar.

Start with the center strap and push the end of the strap between the sport bar and the soundbar. Push the end of the strap through until you can get a hold of the strap to pull the buckle through. Do this on all of the straps.

Wrap the long center strap at the rear of the Bikini around the sport bar, pull it forward into the vehicle to the windshield. Thread the strap through the footman loop on the windshield frame. Then pull the end of the strap back and thread it through the buckle. Tighten it securely.

Note: If your Soundbar fits close. Some soundbars fit extremely tight against the sport bar preventing the buckles easy access to the straps. If this is the case, the soundbar must be moved slightly rearward. The distance will vary on each vehicle.

Remove the four bolts securing the soundbar in place. Reposition the soundbar rearward (check the clearance for buckle accessibility), notch out the soundbar attachment brackets accordingly - in most cases it will be less than 1/4". Reinstall the four bolts.

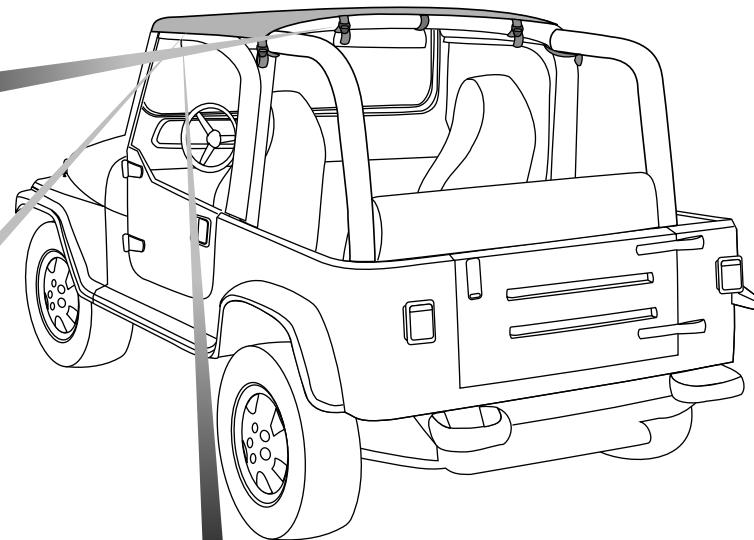
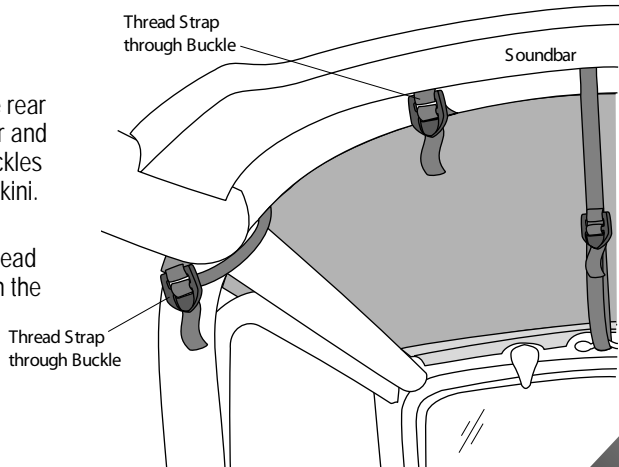


Step Three

FASTEN REAR STRAPS

Wrap the straps sewn to the rear corners around the sport bar and thread them through the buckles on the rear corners of the Bikini.

Then wrap two short straps around the sport bar and thread them through the buckles on the rear of the Bikini.

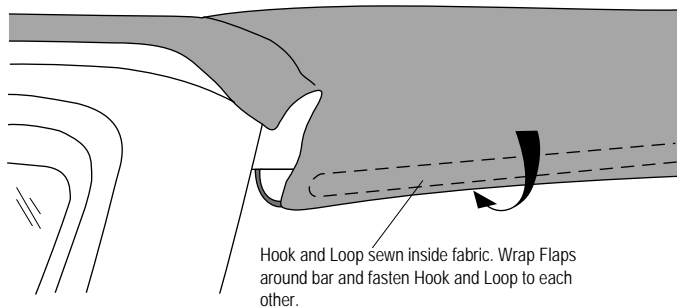


Step Four - without Door Surrounds

FASTEN FLAPS ABOVE DOORS

Locate the hook and loop strips sewn to the front corners of the Bikini. Fasten the strips to each other and tuck them up above the horizontal sport bar, out of the way.

Locate the flap sewn inside the Bikini above the door opening. Wrap the inside and outside flaps around the horizontal sport bar and fasten the Hook and Loop Strips to each other.



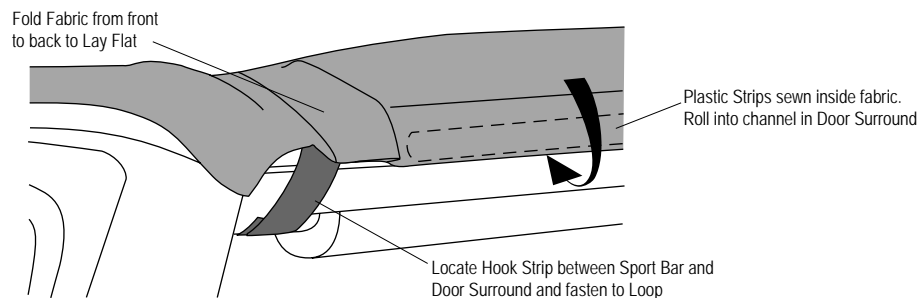
Step Four - with Door Surrounds

SECURE BIKINI ABOVE DOORS

Locate the hook and loop strips sewn to the front corners of the Bikini. Tuck the hook strip between the horizontal sport bar and the Door Surround.

Locate the plastic strip sewn along the edge of the outer flap, above the door opening. Slip the plastic strip into the channel on the Door Surround.

Fold the fabric insert from front to back, so that it lays flat on top of the horizontal sport bar and wrap the outer loop strip around the Door Surround and fasten it to the hook strip tucked inside of the rail to hold the fabric in place. Tuck the inside flap between the Door Surround and the Bikini fabric.



Note: When removing the Bikini, it will be easiest to remove the plastic strips by starting at the front of the plastic and pulling down and out.

Care and Maintenance of your Bestop Top

Your top is made of the finest materials available. To keep it looking new and for the maximum possible wear, it will need periodic cleaning and maintenance.

Washing: The top fabric should be washed often using soap, warm water and a soft bristle brush. Rinse with clear water to remove all traces of soap.

Water: Seeping through at the seams may be stopped by applying 3-M Scotchgard® on the inside of the seams. Rips in the fabric may be repaired with Bondex® iron on patches. Iron the patches to the inside of the top, carefully following the Bondex® instructions.

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