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In every walk with nature one receives far more than he seeks.
—John Muir

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NEW TRIBE T-SHIRT #3

This is our #3 T-shirt design, featuring our new “Climb Trees” logo in beautiful full color. This T is from Beneficial Ts, a Patagonia product made by fair-trade workers in USA and Mexico, of 100% undyed natural organic cotton, a shirt with a social conscience and green values. We love it. Modeling the shirt here is our very own Casey Jones, New Tribe’s Anchorman. Item TS3. Please specify size XS, S, L, XL or XXL. Sorry, size M is sold out.

NEW TRIBE T-SHIRT #2

Our second tee is available in long sleeves to protect your arms from bark scratches and sunburn, and to keep you warmer in cool weather. This shirt features the original New Tribe logo over your heart in front. For the back, it’s a drawing of our 2004 Catalog cover photo—three climbers ascending a dramatic old Douglas Fir. Quality cotton shirts made in USA in colors and sizes shown here.

NEW TRIBE STICKER

We give you a free CLIMB TREES sticker with every New Tribe Saddle you buy. Or, you can order one separately here. It’s a big new size that measures 5” across. Display it on your car, water bottle, window, or anything else you can think of. Send us a photo of your CLIMB TREES sticker on display, and we’ll send you a New Tribe T-Shirt on us! Item STKR

NEW TRIBE PATCH

Here’s a new way you can tell the world you’re one of the Tribe—our CLIMB TREES patch! It’s perfect for your hat, fleece, or jacket. Or, you can put it on your Climb Bucket or Easy Rigger bag. It’s a beautifully embroidered emblem that measures 3 inches across. The back side is sealed for durability, and it’s ready to sew onto the fabric item of your choice.

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WELCOME to NEW TRIBE!
NEW TRIBE is dedicated to meeting the tree climbing equipment and training needs of recreational tree climbers.

These are some of the same needs that working arborists and forest research scientists share. We are proud to have many good friends in all three groups. Every tree climber is important to us. Our purpose is to provide the highest quality tree climbing gear, to assist you to choose yours and use it safely, and to conduct our business with integrity.

Why New Tribe?
Folks often ask us, “You’re into tree climbing gear. Why the name New Tribe? Are you guys related to Native Americans or something?”

We are a new tribe of people who enjoy each other and our home places.
We are inspired by the old tribes everywhere who could craft a way of life in harmony with their surroundings.
We share a sense of connection with wild nature.
We take modern tools and materials and create a way to be as at home outdoors as we are inside our houses.
We erase the line that divides work and play.
We see each other and all creatures as kindred spirits.
Trees are the venerable elders of our world.
We go to them to give respect and find renewal.
We are full of Life.

New Tribe includes the family of folks who work here, the larger family of you who use our tree climbing gear, and the even greater family of you who share our passion.

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NEW TRIBE Saddles

NEW TRIBE SADDLES are carefully built for life-safety performance. They have been TESTED AND MEET ANSI A10.14-1991 STANDARD, Class I HARNESS FOR FALL ARREST/RERAINT, and Class II WORK POSITIONING.

Every New Tribe Saddle comes complete with a galvanized steel Screw Link (rated 9,920 lbs) for closure. See Screw Links on page 8 for more information and options for saddle closure hardware.

We also include a full color New Tribe “Climb Trees” sticker with every saddle!

## CHOOSING SADDLE SIZE

Choose size according to your “over the clothes” measurements, using the body measurement chart below. **NOTE:** The waist measurement is **NOT** the same as your pants waist size. Be sure to measure your body, over your clothes, above your hipbones, to get the correct waist number. Belt and Legstrap sizes can be mixed for optimum fit. Please specify Belt and Legstrap sizes when ordering, or call us to help you choose your size. If you don’t find your size on our measurement chart, call us to arrange for your custom size.

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## NEW TRIBE RECREATIONAL SADDLES

These are the lightest and simplest saddles we make. If you want top comfort and safety with minimal weight and bulk, choose a rec saddle. For many tree climbers, this is the only saddle they’ll ever need.

### BASIC NEW TRIBE SADDLE

Here is the lightweight, comfortable recreational tree climbing saddle New Tribe is known for. The belt design includes two slots where you can mount bags, buckets or tools. This is a legstrap-type saddle with a sliding “D” on the bridge in front for freedom of movement. The large teardrop legpads make it comfortable to hang in. You can’t slip out of it in any position, even upside down.

Strong, abrasion-resistant nylon canvas covers 4” wide closed cell foam padding. Life-safety system is made with 5500 lbs parachute webbing and 7500 lbs forged steel D ring. Clip in your gear to a quicksnap hook and three rolled aluminum accessory rings on the belt. Comes with galvanized steel Delta Screw Link for closure. Wt 2 lbs.

Item SDL in sizes S, M and L. Size XL available at additional charge.

### TREE CLIMBING FOR KIDS! NEW TRIBE KIDS SADDLE

Nearly everyone remembers scrambling up trees as a kid. With today’s techniques and safety gear, kids and grownups alike can climb higher and safer than we did before. Our Kids Saddle is serious safety equipment, built to the same professional standards as our adult models. This is our Basic Saddle, scaled down to kid size and without the rear aluminum ring and side snap hook. Open up a new world that families can share—climb a tree with kids! For kids about 5 years and up. Fits waist to 26”, upper thigh to 19”. Comes with galvanized Delta Screw Link.

Wt 1 lb 13 oz. Item SDLK

### NEW TRIBE SADDLE WITH SIDE DS

Many recreational tree climbers prefer a saddle with side D rings, especially those who first learned to climb using an arborist harness. The side Ds are essential when climbing with a flip line, and they are handy for anyone who does a lot of complex rigging such as setting up multiple ropes or hammocks.

If you prefer a saddle with side D rings, you’ll like this version of the New Tribe Saddle. It has forged steel side D rings sewn in to life-safety standards. It also has a 1¼" wide cinch strap at the waist (compare to the 1” cinch strap on the Basic Saddle) for comfortable support while using the side Ds. Includes the same aluminum accessory rings and quicksnap hook as the Basic Saddle. Comes with galvanized Delta Screw Link. Wt 2 lbs 15 oz.

Item SDLD in size S, M, and L. (Choose Tengu, VI Special or ProGear Saddle for size XL.)

When you enter into a grove peopled with ancient trees, higher than the ordinary, and shutting out the sky with their thickly inter-twined branches, do not the stately shadows of the wood, the stillness of the place, and the awful gloom of this domed cavern strike you with the presence of a deity?

—Seneca
NEW TRIBE WORK SADDLES

The following tree saddles are beefed up versions of our Basic Saddle, designed to stand up to daily heavy use by avid tree climbers—riggers, climbing guides and instructors, and other professionals like arborists, cone harvesters, and canopy researchers. Work saddles include our legstrap design with its sliding D-ring, with Extended Legpads as a standard feature, increasing support and comfortable along the inner thigh. Work saddles also have double-density foam padding on both belt and legstraps, providing better support and load distribution, and longer wear. Belt pad width is 6" at the rear, tapering toward the front. Cinch strap at waist is made of 1½" parachute webbing with a stainless steel adjuster buckle. Side D rings are sewn in to life safety standards. Each saddle includes two gaps along the belt for mounting buckets, bags, or other tools.

VI SPECIAL SADDLE

The Vi Special is a work saddle designed for round-the-clock comfort while leading a climb and rigging Treeboats. This is the ultimate saddle Viola Brumbaugh dreamed up for herself for a day of hard work followed by an overnight of comfort in the treetops.

Belt features include:

- **Webbing loop** at the rear, great for hauling up additional rope. It can also hold a carabiner, working like an additional gear loop. When it’s time to rest, this saddle has no lumpy rings or hooks poking you in the back when you stretch out in your Treeboat Hammock.

- **Small steel Ds** on the sides are minimal to reduce weight. They are great tie-in points for the limb walking called for when rigging a Treeboat Hammock or setting a re-direct. Forged steel with a 1 ¾" inside diameter, 2500 lbs proof load.

- **Gear loops** on the sides carry plenty of carabiners.

- **Small swivel snaps** make handy attachment points for things like radio or camera lanyards.

On the belt Viola likes to carry an Open Climbing Bucket on the left for ascenders and various straps. On the right she uses a Zippered Climbing Bucket for rappel device, pulley, grapnel, knife and chocolate.

Color olive green with black trim. Wt 3 lbs.
Item SDLVI in sizes S, M, L. Size XL available at additional charge.

It is not so much for its beauty that the forest makes a claim upon men's hearts, as for that subtle something, that quality of air that emanates from old trees, that so wonderfully changes and renews a weary spirit.

—Robert Louis Stevenson

TENGUI SADDLE

This is an “ultralight” work saddle named for Tim “Tengu” Kovar, who wants a saddle as lightweight and as quiet and comfortable as possible without sacrificing safety. All of these features are important to a climber who wears his saddle while hiking into rough forestland, spends a lot of nights sleeping in his saddle, and wants to be ready for complicated rigging and rescue maneuvers. He also wants to vanish into his surroundings by keeping his visual and audio impact low.

The belt pad and leg pads on the Tengu are work saddle shape and density, providing great support without restricting movement. The side D rings on the belt and the sliding D ring on the legstrap bridge are “soft” Ds that trim the weight and reduce noise, yet retain the life-safety strength of the saddle.

The belt details include:

- **three soft gear loops**, one on each side and one at the back
- **a carabiner loop** behind each side gear loop
- **soft side Ds**
- **two gaps** on the belt webbing that can carry either New Tribe climb buckets or additional carabiners

The leg strap details include:

- **quick-release buckles**, making it easier to put on the saddle, or to open the leg straps for bathroom convenience.

- **two accessory loops**, one on each leg strap. These little loops come in handy for a variety of applications, since whatever you put there will be within easy reach: Linemug, handsaw, water bottle, camera bag. It’s a quick place to tie the other end of your rope when double-end climbing.

- **the soft floating D** on the legstrap bridge glides smoothly when you shift from one side to the other. If you place the apex of your delta screw link into the floating D, it grabs the Delta tighter to prevent it from rotating as you climb.

Color black with grey trim. Wt 3 lbs.
Item SDLTE in sizes S, M, L. Size XL available at additional charge.
CUSTOMIZING YOUR WORK SADDLE

We can make a Vi Special or a ProGear work saddle to your specifications using any doable combination of the items shown here. If you want details not shown here, ask us. If we can do it, we will, with custom charges starting at $30.00 above the price of the work saddle model you are customizing. To place a custom order, please call us. Please allow 2-4 weeks for delivery of custom work.

Tengu and Recreational saddles are excluded from this custom offer.

11. Accessory gap for mounting bags and other tools

SADDLE ACCESSORIES

Designed to snap securely into any saddle belt, the Climbing Buckets can carry your small equipment such as Monkeytail, Limb Loop, rappel device, or gloves. Buckets can be mounted on any kind of belt thanks to a rugged attachment flap made of rigid webbing that secures with Velcro and a steel snap.

OPEN CLIMBING BUCKET allows for quick access to its contents. It measures 8” x 11” x 2”. Wt 3 oz. Item CLBKT

ZIPPERED CLIMBING BUCKET adds the extra security of a zipper closure. Size 6” x 10” x 2½”. Wt 2 oz. Item CLBKTZ

EASY RIGGER

Made to order for big-tree researcher Steve Sillett, this line bag is a deep drawstring bag that flares at the lower end for greater volume, with an oval shape (instead of round) for compactness, to keep it closer to your body. Ideal for tree climbers who want a smart way to carry an extra-long lanyard, Double Daisy rig (see page 8), or split-tail rig. It holds up to 55 feet of ½” arborist rope. Designed to slide onto your saddle belt. Wt 5 oz. Item EASYRIG

WORK SADDLE SUSPENDER

If you carry a lot of weight on your saddle belt like working arborists do, it helps to distribute the load using some kind of suspenders. This is a sash-style single suspender for use with our ProGear saddle. Our Suspenders will stay on your shoulder, and it’s so close-fitting it never gets in your way. The strap length can be adjusted at both ends, so you can position the fixed shoulder pad where you want it and it will stay there. You can use two Suspenders, one over each shoulder, for when you want an even support for both sides of the belt.

Requires small D ring (or equivalent) such as item 4 above, situated on the side of the climbing belt. Wt 4 oz. Item SUSP

Trees are poems that earth writes upon the sky. We fell them down and turn them into paper, That we may record our emptiness.

—Kahlil Gibran
SPECIAL SADDLE FEATURES

These features can be added to any saddle that doesn't already have them.

EXTENDED LEGPADS

If you are buying a Basic or Side D Saddle and want to upgrade to Extended Legpads, you can. This is the extension on the legstrap pad that cushions the strap across your inner thigh. We also use double density foam padding on these, so they are firmer to provide more support than the standard pads. Some climbers who’ve tried these wouldn’t want to climb without this super comfort feature. (Extended Legpads are standard on all of our work saddles and in size XL for all saddle models.) Item EXTLEG

Our standard legstrap design is made with closed loops of webbing. You put them on like a pair of pants, by stepping into the loops. With Quick-Release Legstraps, we build a buckle into each loop, so you can open them for ease of getting in and out. Veteran climber “Swampy Joe” Maher returned from a Panama climbing trip boasting that this was the first time he never got mud on his belt—thanks to Quick-Release buckles.

The Tengu Saddle comes with Quick-Release Legstraps. If you want this feature with any other model, you can have it. (This is not an adjuster buckle; the Legstrap size is fixed and designed to be loose on all Legstrap models.) Item QRLEGS

CHEST HARNESSSES

Some climbers find that when wearing a saddle alone, their upper body will tend to tip backwards, making climbing awkward and more effortful. This often occurs for people whose body weight is carried more above the waist than below. To solve this problem, a chest harness may be your answer for upper body support.

All of the following methods for rigging a chest harness involve using a carabiner to connect the two front eyes of the chest harness to another part of your climbing system. Experiment with these to find the one that works best for you.

1) Connect to the clip in point on your saddle. On a New Tribe Saddle, connect to your Delta Screw Link.
2) DRT climbers: Clip the carabiner around your bridge rope, or into any link or eye between your climbing saddle and your Blake’s Hitch. Or clip it around your “up rope” so that the carabiner floats freely up and down. Or add a prusik loop on the “up rope” and connect to that, if you want your connection point to stay put. Instead of a prusik loop, you can tie a butterfly knot in your “up rope” and connect to that.
3) SRT climbers: Clip the carabiner around your upper ascender strap so it floats freely up and down as you move.

“HAMMOCK” CHEST HARNESS from On Rope 1

This nicely constructed harness feels like a hammock across your back. The 5” wide padded panel is bordered with 1” tubular webbing and is contoured to curve under the armpits. Clip a carabiner or screw link into the two soft attachment eyes. Some climbers like having this chest harness connected to their climbing belt at the rear. If this is what you want, we can add a connecting strap for a small additional charge. Call us to place your order and ask for the added strap. Wt 1.5 lbs.

To choose correct size, measure around your chest at armpit level with your arms down at your sides. Then find that measurement on this chart to find your size:

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PETZL VOLTIGE ADJUSTABLE CHEST HARNESS

The Petzl Voltige Chest Harness is lightweight and compact. It includes two double-back buckles for quick and easy size adjustment. You can wear the buckles up on your shoulders, or under your arms.

As always, Petzl includes well-illustrated usage information with this product. Wt 12.8 oz. Item PVOLT

CALL TOLL FREE 866-223-3371
SCREW LINKS

The best saddle closure device is one that is equally strong on all sides (no weak gate side like a carabiner) and one that cannot come unlocked accidentally. Our choice is the Maillon-Rapide Screw Links by Peguet in France.

SCREW LINK MAINTENANCE Screw Links last for years if they are properly cared for. Keep the threads free of dirt. They can be lightly oiled, and cleaned with a solvent. Keep the gate screwed shut when not in use to protect the threads from being damaged by other hardware. Never load a screw link with the gate open—it can tweak the frame enough to misalign the threads.

A. DELTA SCREW LINK We include a galvanized steel Screw Link as standard equipment with every saddle, so you won’t have to use a carabiner in this critical location. We also have these in stainless steel. Stainless is stronger, it’s corrosion resistant and has a smoother feel to the thread function. If you are buying a saddle, you can upgrade to stainless steel for the difference in cost over galvanized.

B. PEAR SCREW LINK If our Delta Screw Link is not roomy enough for the gear you want to use with it, try a Pear Screw Link with more internal area. We have it in galvanized or stainless steel. If you are buying a Saddle, you can upgrade to the galvanized Pear or to the stainless Pear for the difference in cost.

C. OVAL SCREW LINK This is our favorite way to secure the rope in Single Rope Technique tree climbing. It’s more convenient than handling a knot, and it’s cheaper and safer than using a carabiner. You can choose between galvanized steel and stainless steel.

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D. SMALL DELTA SCREW LINK This is the smaller Delta Screw Link that we use with our Ascender Straps Only, to join the straps to your ascenders. You can buy it separately. Stainless steel only.

E. SMALL PEAR SCREW LINK This is the Link we use to join the upper and lower New Tribe Ascenders straps to each other and to your harness. You can buy it separately. Stainless steel only.

DOUBLE DAISY ROPE KIT

Here’s what Tim “Tengu” Kovar says about this rig:

The Double Daisy Rope setup is a great way to fine-tune your position in a tree. Use it when rigging up a Treeboat, a pulley, or your camera, or for setting up a comfortable spot for your next pitch. The Daisy Rope is like a third arm and it will become your best friend in the canopy. You can create this simple lanyard using just a 25-foot hank of rope, a couple of knots, and a couple of carabiners.

To create the Daisy Rope, you will tie two figure eights on a bight, and a slip knot. Tie one figure eight on a bight on each end of the rope, creating a rope eye at each end. Use one carabiner to clip one eye to your harness, i.e. to the floating D on your New Tribe saddle legstrap bridge. As close to that as possible, tie a slip knot, pulling through a giant loop. Clip your second carabiner onto this loop. Throw the loop, with the carabiner, around the branch you want to get close to. Clip that carabiner to your Delta Screw Link and pull down on the free part of the rope that is hanging toward the ground (the down rope). This will shorten the loop you’re clipped into and cinch you closer to the branch. To descend, reach above the slip knot and pull the “down rope” back up towards the branch. Sounds complicated, but after some practice this maneuver will become second nature.

Our Double Daisy Rope Kit includes 25 feet of Chameleon rope and two Petzl AM’D Ball carabiners. Item DDR

For an illustrated guide to tying and using the Double Daisy Rope, look online at www.newtribe.com for “Tengu Tip #3”
CARABINERS

These are the carabiners we find most useful when we climb. For life-safety applications, always choose a locking carabiner. You’ll find a selection of non-locking carabiners here, too, for handling your gear. Our chart gives specifications for our complete line of carabiners. Strengths are given in kN (kilo-Newtons), which is a fall force measurement: one kN equals 225 pounds. The UIAA minimum acceptable strength is 23 kN.

NON-LOCKING

For handling your gear only. Not for life safety.

LIBERTY MOUNTAIN

OVAL NON-LOCKING

A basic oval carabiner with more internal area than a D-shape. Made in USA by Omega Pacific. Item LMOV

PETZL SPIRIT NON-LOCKING

Especially lightweight, this Petzl non-locking carabiner is made of hot-forged Zicral aluminum and is extremely strong. It is easy to clip on and off any anchor point, thanks to the ergonomic shape and the keylock gate. Item PSPORT

SCREW LOCK

These locking carabiners are good for life safety, provided you screw the barrel shut and locked.

Be aware that any screw lock biner CAN come unlocked accidentally. Keep an eye on it.

LIBERTY MOUNTAIN

SCREWGATE LOCKING D

D-shape body design, plus a screw gate to make it good for life safety. Made in USA by Omega Pacific. Item LMSL

OMEGA BIG STEEL LOCKING D

A low-cost heavy screw lock carabiner for those who prefer steel to aluminum. Omega Pacific. Item OMBSL

AUTO-LOCK

Auto-locking biners are spring-loaded to lock when you release the barrel. They are not likely to unlock accidentally, but it has been known to happen. These are best if you want both safety and convenience.

OMEGA STEEL TWISTLOCK D

A heavy carabiner with the speed and convenience of an automatic lock. Made in USA by Omega Pacific. Item OMST

TRIPLE-LOCK

These are spring-loaded to lock AND they require an extra move to unlock and open. Triple-locking biners are less convenient to use, but they are the safest you can buy.

PETZL AM’D TRIACT

This triple locking carabiner has an asymmetrical shape for increased strength and roomy gate. To open, raise and twist the barrel; simply release to close and lock. Item PAMDTRI

PETZL AM’D BALL LOCK

Tim Kovar’s favorite biner. Asymmetrical shape allows a .875” gate opening on this beautiful carabiner. It includes a ball-lock feature that snaps shut and locked when you release it. Push the green ball and twist the ergonomic barrel to open. Item PAMDBALL

PETZL KADOR

A world-class quality triple-locking tempered steel carabiner. To open, raise and twist the barrel; release to close and lock. The shape is perfect for easy operation with one hand, surprising for such a heavy carabiner. Item PKADOR

CARABINER SPECIFICATIONS

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HELMETS

You'll see a lot of images of recreational tree climbers bare-headed. If you ask around, you'll learn that few climbers have ever taken a fall, but nearly all have had their share of bangs and bruises during their time aloft. Even without a fall, the chance of impact due to dropping branches, uncontrolled swings, or blind moves is a matter of concern. The wisest plan is to get a good helmet and use it.

PETZL ECRIN ROC HELMET

The Ecrin Roc from Petzl is labeled ANSI Z89.1-1986 for the professionals. This model has an adjustable size band and air vents that can be plugged in rough weather. (Plugs sold separately.) White. Wt 1 lb 1 oz. Item PECRIN

PETZL ELIOS HELMET

Here’s a helmet with size options that work for kids and adults, at an affordable price. Petzl’s Elios is constructed with an expanded polycarbonate liner and an injected polycarbonate shell, so it’s lightweight yet durable. It sits well on the head, and the ergonomic shape gives a large area of protection while still allowing an excellent field of vision. Rear adjustment wheel and chinstrap allow for quick fitting. Color White. (Blue or Orange by special order.) Wt 12 oz. Item PELIOS1, Size 1 fits 18.9” to 22” Item PELIOS2, Size 2 fits 20.9” to 24”

PETZL VERTEX VENT HELMET

Comfortable and durable helmet with ventilation, meets requirements for working at height. When we tried this one on, we were amazed by the comfort. We tried it combined with Husqvarna face & ear protection and were impressed with the stability. This is an IDEAL helmet.

Adjustable ventilation: 5 holes on each side, can be closed with 2 sliding shutters. Chin strap designed to decrease the risk of losing the helmet in case of impact during a fall. Polycarbonate shell, resistant to impact and wear.

Customizable: Side slots for mounting a face shield and/or standard hearing protection. Shell designed with clearance over the ears to accommodate hearing protection. Integral headlamp clips.

Simple, complete adjustability: A single adjustment wheel with 2 height positions adjusts the headband size. Chin strap position can be adjusted forward or backward. Position of straps around the ears can be adjusted (rear clip with 2 positions). Adjustable chin strap.

Comfortable: Polyester strap suspension. Thick foam headband. Head band adjustable from 53 to 63 cm (20 2/3” to 24 1/2”). Wt 1 lb 4.5 oz. We carry it in White. Also available in Red by special order. Item PVERT

TREE GEAR KITS

KIDS KIT

A Young Treeclimber’s Dream Come True

Here is our Kids Saddle along with the tools a kid needs to climb safely to about 60 feet into a tree using Doubled Rope Technique (DRT). Item KIDKIT

New Tribe Kids Saddle (upgrade available to Basic Saddle size Small)
Petzl Elios Helmet (Size 1 or 2)
Petzl AM’D Ball Lock Carabiner
12 oz Shot Pouch
Sweet 14 Shot Pouch
150 feet Throwline (2)
Ropebag, Medium Olive
120 feet Safety Blue ½” Arborist Rope
12 feet Accessory Cord
Dan House Rope Sleeve
“Climb Trees” Sticker

Also recommended:
Book: Recreational Tree Climbing by Dick Flowers, page 30
Whistle, page 21
Gloves, inexpensive coated knit style from hardware store.
Folks often ask us for a list of equipment that new climbers would want when they are just starting out. There is no standard kit that all tree climbers would agree on, because recreational tree climbing is relatively new and continues to evolve with the input of creative pioneers who have developed their own personal styles.

The best way to learn the ropes is with an experienced climber at your side. You’ll also get a good basic knowledge of gear and techniques from books like Dick Flowers’ Recreational Tree Climbing—A Newcomer’s Guide and Jeff Jepson’s Tree Climber’s Companion, and the new DVD from Peter Jenkins, Tree Climbing Basics. All of these sources can help you decide what you want in your own tree climbing bag.

There are two main styles of tree climbing—Doubled Rope Technique (DRT) and Single Rope Technique (SRT). There is a big difference in the gear you’ll want depending on the climbing style you choose. We’ve put together a variety of climb gear collections for you, reflecting our favorite choices for maximum safety and convenience with minimum gear.

The special kit price applies when you purchase a kit as listed here, without substitutions. If you want to make substitutions, your price will be higher—call us for a quote.

Please Note: The special price for Tree Gear Kits is available for USA deliveries only.

**NEW!**

Instructors’ Choice DOUBLED ROPE TECHNIQUE (DRT) KIT

For tree climbers who want a minimal amount of gear to climb shorter trees (summit branches 60 feet or lower)

Three notable tree climbing instructors, Tim Kovar, Genevieve Summers and Abe Winters, collaborated to create this list of gear. Here’s their recommendation for students of Doubled Rope Technique (DRT) climbing. DRT is the simplest climbing style, requiring the smallest investment in equipment to get started.

**Item DRTKIT**

- Basic New Tribe Saddle (size S, M, or L. Upgrade to XL available at additional charge.)
- Petzl Elios Helmet (size 1 or 2)
- 150 feet Throwline (2)
- 50 feet Throwline
- 12 oz Shot Pouch
- Sweet 14 Shot Pouch (2)
- Linemug, Olive
- Petzl Am’D Ball Lock Carabiner (3)
- Petzl Spirit non-locking Carabiner (2)
- 120 feet Safety Blue 1/2” Arborist Rope
- Dan House Rope Sleeve (2)
- Ropebag, Medium, olive
- 12 feet Accessory Cord
- “Climb Trees” Sticker

Also recommended:

- Whistle, page 21
- Book: Tree Climber’s Companion by Jeff Jepson, page 30
- Gloves, inexpensive coated knit style from hardware store.
- Personal First Aid Kit

**NEW!**

DRT DELUXE KIT

**Item DRTDKIT**

Instructor’s Choice

DRT KIT (above) - AND -

Upgrade Saddle to Vi Special
Linemug, Forest
Open Climbing Bucket
Zippered Climbing Bucket
King Grapnel
Double Daisy Setup: 25 feet Chameleon Rope and 2 Petzl Am’D Ball Lock Carabiners
“Climb Trees” Patch
Advice from a Tree
By Ilan Shamir

Dear Friend,

Stand Tall and Proud
Sink your roots deeply into the Earth
Reflect the light of a greater source
Think long term
Go out on a limb
Remember your place among all living beings
Embrace with joy the changing seasons
For each yields its own abundance
The Energy and Birth of Spring
The Growth and Contentment of Summer
The Wisdom to let go of leaves in the Fall
The Rest and Quiet Renewal of Winter
Feel the wind and the sun
And delight in their presence
Look up at the moon that shines down upon you
And the mystery of the stars at night.
Seek nourishment from the good things in life
Simple pleasures
Earth, fresh air, light
Be content with your natural beauty
Drink plenty of water
Let your limbs sway and dance in the breezes
Be flexible
Remember your roots
Enjoy the view!

TREE GEAR KITS

SINGLE ROPE TECHNIQUE (SRT) UPGRADE KIT

This is for climbers who already have gear for Doubled Rope Technique (DRT). (If you don’t, then we recommend our DRT KIT —see page 11.) This SRT Upgrade Kit contains only the additional gear you’ll need for SRT climbing as well. Item SRTUPGRADE

Ascenders with Straps (choose Petzl or CMI)
Petzl Grigri Descender
200 feet Petzl Vector 11mm Static Rope, Black
Ropebag, Large olive
Rappel Gloves (size XS, S, M, L or XL)
200 feet Target Line
Monkeytail Safety Lanyard
Petzl William Ball Lock Carabiner (2)
Oval Screw Link, galvanized (2)

Also recommended:

Book: On Rope, Smith & Padgett, page 30
Book: Rappelling, Martin, page 30
Zippered Climbing Bucket, page 6
Open Climbing Bucket, page 6
Petzl Pirana Descender, page 23
Petzl Fixe Pulley, page 19
Safety Goggles from hardware store

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SINGLE ROPE TECHNIQUE (SRT) KIT

For tree climbers who want the aid of mechanical ascenders, or who want to climb taller trees (lowest branches 50 feet or higher, or summit branches 100 feet or higher)

Item SRTKIT

- Basic New Tribe Saddle (size S, M or L. Upgrade to XL available at additional charge.)
- Petzl Elios Helmet (size 1 or 2)
- Open Climbing Bucket
- Monkeytail Safety Lanyard
- Petzl William Ball Lock Carabiner (3)
- Petzl Spirit Non-locking Carabiner (2)
- Ropebag, Large Olive
- 200 feet Petzl Vector 11mm Static Rope, Black
- 12 oz Shot Pouch
- Sweet 14 Shot Pouch (2)
- 50 feet Throwline
- 150 feet Throwline
- 200 feet Target Line
- Linemug, Forest
- Linemug, Olive
- Big Linemug, Yellow
- Ascenders with Straps (choose Petzl or CMI)
- Petzl Grigri descender
- Rappel Gloves (size XS, S, M, L, and XL)
- Oval Screw Link, galvanized (2)
- “Climb Trees” Sticker

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Also recommended:

- Book: Tree Climber’s Companion by Jeff Jepson, page 30
- Book: On Rope by Smith & Padgett, page 30
- Book: Rappelling by Tom Martin, page 30
- Zippered Climbing Bucket, page 6
- Limb Loop, page 20
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- Personal First Aid Kit

SRT DELUXE KIT

Item SRTDKIT

- SRT KIT (above)

  - AND -

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  Oval Screw Link, galvanized
  King Grapnel
  “Climb Trees” Patch
TREE ENTRY by HAND-THROWING THROWLINES

TARGET LINE
Target Line is extremely slick, with a waxy feel. It’s ¼” diameter 100% polyethylene, smooth and firmly braided for excellent resistance to abrasion and snagging. Its supple texture is easy to manage. Be warned though: until you get good at handling it, Target Line can slip out of your hands. If you are inexperienced with throwing technique, we recommend that you practice first with a thicker or softer cord like Blackline. 250 lbs average breaking strength.

BLACKLINE
One of New Tribe’s earliest choices for effective and economical throwline is this ¼” nylon kernmantle cord that we call Blackline. Because it is so supple and soft, this is the perfect throwline to use with our Linemug. The Linemug easily holds up to 200 feet plus a Shot Pouch. Some climbers find that this line tangles too easily, but others love it for its manageability. Properly stuffed in the bag or flaked onto the ground, Blackline pays out beautifully, and slides easily over most branches. This is also a great low-visibility line to leave in the tree after you bring your rope down, ready to haul your rope back up the next time you want to climb. Precut to popular lengths of 100’ and 150’ and 200’ or 3000 feet on a spool. 250 lbs breaking strength. Wt 7 oz per 150 feet.

NEW THROWLINE
We are always on alert to find new gear and techniques in the tree climbing field. At the time this catalog goes to print we are testing another variety of throwline. If we like it, we’ll offer it to you. Look online at www.newtribe.com to see what’s new.

THROW WEIGHTS

SHOT POUCH
Ours is the original aerodynamically shaped pouch conceived by New Tribe in 1986 and made from tough, abrasion resistant nylon canvas filled with measured weights of #8 birdshot. The Shot Pouch is a throw weight that flies high and doesn’t bounce around unpredictably. The size of throw weight you choose depends on the texture of the bark on your climbing trees and the type of throwline you are using. With a smooth-running throwline, you can use a 12 oz weight for everything and maybe take a 16 oz along in case you run into some snappy bark. You can throw the lighter weights higher than the heavier. The deciding factor is how heavy the weight needs to be to pull your line down the other side of the target branch.

If you want only one throw weight, a 14 oz is a good compromise. (We are not making 14 oz Shot Pouches while we still have a stock of Sweet Fourteens.) High visibility neon orange. Item SP12 (12 oz), SP16 (16 oz), SP18 (18 oz)

SWEET FOURTEEN
The Sweet Fourteen is the ugliest shot pouch we’ve ever seen. But this is Tim Kovar’s favorite throw weight, because it flies so high, it’s nearly indestructible, and it’s filled with steel, not lead, shot. We did you a favor and bought up the whole supply from the guy who isn’t making these anymore.

You’ll notice that Sweet Fourteen has a lumpy shape, sewn in sappy yellow or pink canvas, and dipped in a stiff vinyl coating that might be yellow, hot orange, blue or red. It’s rock hard, so watch your head when you’re throwing it—it doesn’t have that beanbag squishiness that our New Tribe Shot Pouches do. It’s finished off with two rivets that secure the webbing and welded ring at the top. 14 oz weight only, while supplies last. Item SW14

KING GRAPNEL
With this little (4 inches long) Grapnel you can retrieve a line or rope from as far away as twenty feet. You’ll be glad you have one when you make an in-tree throw to a higher branch and your throw weight slides back down, dangling out of reach, when you want to traverse to another branch in the same tree, or traverse into a neighboring tree, or when you want to retrieve a lost arrow or bolt dangling out in branches too skinny to climb on. We supply each one with 20 feet of ⅛” throwline. High visibility orange color. Not for life safety use! Wt 3 oz. Item GRAPNEL

NIFTY THROWING KIT
Linemug forest green, Shot Pouch 16 oz, Blackline 150 feet

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**LINE BAGS**

**LINEMUG**
The Linemug is a little stuff sack for your throwline. The line pays out smoothly when you throw, and stuffs back in when you’re finished. The bag features an external D ring for clipping to your saddle, a webbing loop inside for tying off the end of your throwline, a webbing side handle, and a drawstring top to keep line and weight inside when you aren’t using them. The finishing touch is a swivel snap hook on the rim for clipping onto your pants belt—a very convenient setup when handling line. The snap hook is also a handy way to attach your Shot Pouch for easy access. The webbing side handle slides over the belt of our Kids or Basic saddle, allowing you to carry it neatly aloft. The Linemug is 5” in diameter and 6” tall, easily holding over 150 feet of light nylon line like our Blackline. Available in Olive, Forest, Black, or Red. Wt 2.5 oz. Item LMUG (olive), LMUGF (forest), LMUGBK (black) or LMUGR (red)

**BIG LINEMUG**
For climbers who use stiffer throwlines like Slickline or Target Line, a larger bag like our Big Linemug can make stuffing practical. It also makes a good carabiner/climbing hardware bag. 8” x 8” with a drawstring top and a Linemug-style handle down the side that makes it possible to slip it over your saddle belt for carrying rigging straps and hardware aloft. Wt 4.5 oz. Available in Yellow. Item BLMUG

**LINEBAG**
This is the choice gear bag for recreational tree climbers. We made this our 2005 Rendezvous gift to participants, who loved it so much they came back to buy more. The Linebag is the same 8” x 8” size as the Big Linemug, but with handles like a small Ropebag. New Tribe embroidered patch is sewn on. Good for stuffing a Double Daisy rig (see page 8). The Linebag is also a good general-purpose carabiner/hardware/lanyard bag, and it’s swell for a feed bag, too. Pack your lunch and climb. Wt 7 oz. Forest green color. Item LNBAG

**EASY RIGGER**
Made to order for big-tree researcher Steve Sillett, this line bag is a deeper drawstring bag that flares at the lower end for greater volume, with an oval shape (instead of round) for compactness, to keep it closer to your body. Ideal for tree climbers who want a smart way to carry an extra-long lanyard, Double Daisy rig (see page 8), or split-tail rig. It holds up to 55 feet of ½” arborist rope. Designed to slide onto your saddle belt. Wt 5 oz. Olive green color. Item EASYRIG

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**TALL TREE TOOLS**

**FOR BOW & ARROW**

**REEL MOUNT**
If the lowest branch in a tree is higher than you can throw, you may want to try bow-and-arrow entry. When you have your own bow and reel, our Reel Mount is the answer to putting them together for tree entry. This is a ¾” steel tube long enough to attach a reel using the two hose clamps we provide. It has a 5/16-24 bolt welded into one end that will thread into the standard stabilizer mount on the front of most compound bows. A wood plug on the end of the tube has a thin slot that gently holds the line to prevent it from unwinding while you aim. Wt 5 oz. Item MOUNT

**TREE ENTRY ARROW**
Our solid fiberglass arrow shaft weighs enough to pull light fishing line high over a branch, and then drop back to the ground on the other side. These arrows are 33” overall and have a rubber blunt tip. It includes rubber fletching to increase accuracy on the highest shots, topping out at about 250 feet. Consider having 4 or 5 arrows on hand in case any get stuck or lost as you try to make your shot. Wt 3 oz. Item ARROW

**CROSSBOW BOLT**
Some climbers prefer a pistol crossbow for compactness and a steady aim without the effort of holding a drawn bowstring. Our fiberglass bolt with rubber blunt tip is an ideal projectile for tree entry using a crossbow setup (with the Barnett Commando Pistol Crossbow, 11” flight track). It’s a good idea to have 4 or 5 bolts with you, to allow for any that get stuck or lost as you try to make your shot. Wt 1.3 oz. Item BOLT

*Note: The larger, standard crossbows have a longer flight track (17-22 inches) and require a longer bolt. If this is what you need, we’ll make it for you for a small extra charge. Custom Bolt Length, please call us to order.*

**FOR SLINGSHOT**
Researchers doing wildlife surveys in the forests of the Pacific Northwest may climb over 20 tall conifers a day. It’s no surprise that they are the ones inventing fast, accurate and compact tree entry solutions. Scotty Altenhoff has modified slingshot to fire a line over 120 feet up. Scotty came to New Tribe and worked with Viola to come up with the Scott Shot, a tiny 1.5 ounce shot pouch that is the perfect slingshot projectile. It flies high and true, doesn’t snag on branches, and pulls Berkeley Fireline over and down reliably. As with any projectile, it’s smart to have 4 or 5 along in case any get stuck or lost. High visibility neon orange. Wt 1.5 oz. Item SSHOT
ROPE

There are two popular techniques for tree climbing that call for different classes of rope. ARBORIST ROPE works for Doubled Rope Technique. STATIC ROPE works for Single Rope Technique. And HYBRID STATIC ROPE works for both climbing styles.

ARBORIST ROPE FOR DOUBLED ROPE TECHNIQUE (DRT)

Doubled Rope Technique (DRT) requires a special friction knot that only works in supple rope like ARBORIST ROPE and HYBRID ROPE. Also called tautline hitch or Blake’s hitch climbing, DRT is the standard method in commercial tree work where a lot of maneuvering around is part of the job and the trees are usually not that large. DRT climbing is quite safe because the knot used is its own safety device; let go of it and you stop. In DRT climbing, the rope slides over the branch under the load of your full body weight, which wears out the rope faster and can harm the bark on a fast descent unless you are using a Rope Sleeve or Bark Buddy.

SAFETY BLUE

Made by New England Ropes, this is the tree care industry standard: a true ½" braided climbing line, the finest available. It is favored as well by tree climbing instructors and facilitators. The tightly plied, 16-strand polyester cover offers a smooth, snag-free surface. Polyolefin yarns in the core of each cover strand reduce weight and improve handling. Twisted parallel blue yarns in the core allow the rope to stay firm and round while in use. The core color acts as a warning flag if the cover is worn or cut. The tough durable cover is treated with a protective finish that minimizes abrasion and maximizes rope life. In addition to climbing lengths, you can also buy “a short piece of rope,” 10 feet of Safety Blue that’s great for knot practice. White with blue core. Strength 7700 lbs. Wt 7.4 lbs per 100 feet.

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STATIC ROPE FOR SINGLE ROPE TECHNIQUE (SRT)

Single Rope Technique (SRT) requires ascenders for going up and a rappel device for coming down; these work best on STATIC KERNMANTLE rappel rope with its low stretch and firm construction, or on HYBRID STATIC ROPE. SRT is best for tall tree climbing and for recreational climbing by those who want mechanical assistance for ascending. Ascenders used in SRT are very safe for going up. While rappelling has its dangers, there are a variety of ways to protect your descent while using a rappel device. In SRT the rope slides over the branch only when you set it up and pull it down, when your weight is not on the rope; no Rope Sleeve or Bark Buddy is needed.

PETZL VECTOR 7/16" (11MM) STATIC KERNMANTLE ROPE

Petzl partnered with Samson Rope to create Vector Lifeline, a new configuration in nylon core/polyester sheath static rope. A new core design provides the best balance between energy absorption, strength and handling. A thermal braiding process stabilizes the core yarn and sheath for shape retention and no sheath slippage. The end product is a rope that feels firm in the hand, yet remains supple for exceptional handling and knotability. Vector Rope is ideal for use in tree climbing, rope access systems, tower climbing and tactical applications. Minimum breaking strength 7000 lbs (31.2 kN). Safe working load 700 lbs.

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SPIDER 3/8" (9.5MM) STATIC KERNMANTLE ROPE

The lightest, most compact rope available for SRT tree climbing. At 6500 lbs breaking strength, it is plenty strong enough for big tree climbing. For researchers, cone harvesters, and recreational climbers who want to carry rope deep into the woods, this skinny rope is a back-saver. The light weight also makes it much easier to pull a long length over a high branch. It works well with ascenders. It runs a bit fast in rappel devices, which calls for an extra friction element in the system to compensate. Comes in White with blue tracers, and in Black. Made in USA by New England Ropes. Wt 4.5 lbs per 100 feet.

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And so she comes to dream herself the tree,
The wind possessing her, weaving her young veins,
Holding her to the sky and its quick blue,
Drowning the fever of her hands in sunlight.
She has no memory, nor fear, nor hope
Beyond the grass and shadows at her feet.
—Hart Crane, Abstract Garden, 1932
HYBRID STATIC ROPE FOR BOTH DRT AND SRT TREE CLIMBING

Static kernmantle rope has always been best for use with mechanical hardware for SRT climbing. But it has always been limited—it didn’t work with DRT arborist knots, and it couldn’t be spliced. Now a new class of ropes has changed that. We are proud to bring you a selection of HYBRID STATIC ROPES that can do it all.

CHAMELEON 7/16” (11MM) STATIC KERNMANTLE ROPE

This is a recreational tree climber’s dream rope—and it’s affordable! We are always interested in lightweight, versatile climbing ropes. Like The Fly from New England Ropes, this one from Yale Cordage is a static kernmantle rope that’s supple enough to work with arborist knots and firm enough to use with climbing devices—so it’s suitable for all styles of tree climbing.

Yale calls this rope Blaze and their standard color for it is orange/yellow/black, just like fire. This version is called Chameleon, in colors designed by John Gathright and the people of Tree Climbing Japan. It is a wonderful reptilian mix of green, blue and yellow. 24-strand braided sleeve kernmantle construction, less than 3% elongation at working load, tensile strength 5600 lbs. Wt 6 lbs per 100 feet.

THE FLY 7/16” (11MM) STATIC KERNMANTLE ROPE

This rope is a favorite of Tim Kovar. The Fly’s unique construction is spliceable, it’s easy to knot, and DRT friction hitches work great with it. It resists flattening and glazing when used with rappel devices like Petzl’s Grigri. Field-proven in the toughest rainforest conditions, this popular new rope even resists water, dries fast, and never gets soggy or heavy in wet weather. The Fly is the perfect balance between firm and supple for all your climbing activities. Polyester cover, nylon core. 6000 lbs test. Grey color. Wt 3 oz.

ROPE TOOLS

BARK BUDDY

Also known as false crotch or friction saver, this tool is another way to protect both your rope and the tree’s bark from wear during doubled rope climbing. Jeff Jepson gives good instructions for using these in The Tree Climber’s Companion. Ours is an eye-to-eye strap, more versatile than a sleeve—it will accommodate a wider range of branch diameters and we make it in four lengths. It is a triple-layer splice of 5600 lbs tensile strength, with smooth ferrules at each end. The Sleeve will bend around limbs as small as 6” diameter. For ropes ½” diameter and smaller. Length 30”.

SU ROPE SLEEVE

Our friend Elliot Su of Tree Climbing Taiwan introduced us to this variation on the Dan House Rope Sleeve design. Dan’s original sleeve uses flexible conduit that works great for branches down to 6” diameter. Elliot’s version is made of softer black vinyl conduit that flexes to a 4” diameter. The beauty of the more flexible sleeve is that it will take a tighter radius with NO risk of crimping or cracking. Also, it’s convenient to carry. It fits neatly into our Linemug!

The Su Sleeve is finished with smooth ferrules at each end. It is sized for 7/16” (11 mm) and smaller ropes, so it will work with our Chameleon and Fly. 30” length. Black color. Wt 4.8 oz. Item SU30

KING GRAPNEL

With this little (4 inches long) Grapnel you can retrieve a line or rope from as far away as twenty feet. You’ll be glad you have one when you make an in-tree throw to a higher branch and your throw weight slides back down, dangling out of reach, when you want to traverse to another branch in the same tree, or traverse into a neighboring tree, or when you want to retrieve a lost arrow or bolt dangling out in branches too skinny to climb on. We supply each one with 20 feet of ¼” throwline. High visibility orange color. Wt 3 oz. Not for life safety use! Item GRAPNEL
**ROPEBAGS**

Proper care and storage makes a big difference in how long your rope will hold its value. You can protect your rope from light, moisture, abrasive grit and damaging solvents if you keep it clean and dry in a bag. A bag also makes transporting your rope safe and convenient. We think the best way to manage a rope is to keep it stuffed (not coiled) into a good rope bag. Stuffing doesn’t put twists in the rope and it pays back out of the bag like magic.

Our bags have tough reinforced rims and sides so they stand open for stuffing. They’re made of 1000 denier nylon canvas and firm webbing for stiffness. They have a packcloth top with drawstring closure and two carrying handles, plus a convenient steel ring at the rim and webbing loop inside at the bottom.

We make five sizes, with capacities shown for 7/16” static or ½” arborist rope. Capacities for smaller ropes like Spider will be considerably greater.

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**THE BETTER BAG (ROPEBAG WITH POCKETS)**

Folks have always used our New Tribe Ropebags for more than just rope! They’re perfect for carry-on luggage, student book bag, portable office, weekender, multi-purpose tote, even as a laundry or grocery bag!

The Better Bag is our Ropebag improved for these multiple uses. We’ve added layers of pockets all around the outside, giving extra body and carrying power to an already outstanding bag. There’s a comfortable shoulder strap, so you can carry everything everywhere with ease. Of course, The Better Bag is still super for handling your climbing rope. And you’ll like how the pockets give you a convenient place to stow your small gear like carabiners, gloves, or cell phone...

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The forest is a peculiar organism of unlimited kindness and benevolence that makes no demands for its sustenance and extends generously the products of its life and activity; it affords protection to all beings.

—Buddhist Sutra

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PULLEYS & SWIVELS

CMI MICROPULLEY AND CMI “ORIGINAL” PULLEY

A pulley is an important tool for raising and lowering gear, making it easier on you, your rope, and the tree’s bark. The CMI MICRO PULLEY provides the benefit and a hefty strength rating, without the bulk. At just 2.125 oz, this jewel goes unnoticed until you need it. If you do a lot of hauling or are dealing with heavier weights, you may prefer to bend your rope around the larger sheave on the CMI “Original” PULLEY. Both models are snatch blocks: the aluminum cheek plates can be rotated open so the pulley can be placed anywhere on the rope without threading the rope end through. Aluminum sheave, stainless steel axle on both models.

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A trick for hoisting loads: Rig the pulley at about eye level (clip it to your upper ascender if there isn’t a branch in the right place) and put your lower ascender on the haul rope. Then put your foot in the ascender’s stirrup so you can use your leg power to hoist the load, locking the rope between leg strokes by gripping both ropes together just below the pulley. With this method you can haul a full overnight pack into a tall tree without even breaking a sweat.

PETZL FIXE PULLEY

The design of a pulley determines how the pulley is attached to the rope. Pulleys with fixed side plates like the Petzl Fixe are quick and easy to install but they must be used with symmetrically-shaped carabiners. (Pulleys with moving side plates must be opened to load the rope, but they work with all carabiner types.)

This small pulley is perfect for your rescue kit. The fixed side-plates make it fast and sure to rig one-handed in an emergency situation. Suitable for hauling systems and as a directional pulley, the Petzl Fixe is lightweight, compact and very strong. The sheave is fitted with self-lubricating bushings for good efficiency. It may be combined with a mechanical rope clamp/grab to retain your stroke advance in haul systems. Breaking strength 22 kN. Working load 5 kN. For use with ropes of ½” (13 mm) maximum diameter. Weight 3.15 oz. Item PFXE

PETZL MINITRAXION PULLEY-ROPE GRAB

This is a light, compact, and versatile combination tool for hauling loads or a person. A pulley with self-lubricating bushings is teamed with a rope grab device that prevents the rope from returning between haul strokes. The snatch block design allows you to place it on the rope at any point without threading the end. The Minitraxion together with the Petzl Swivel are the perfect combination for traverse from tree to tree. The Minitraxion can also function as a chest ascender in SRT climbing, and as a lanyard cam. This new tool is full of exciting possibilities! Use with a pear or oval shaped carabiner for proper seating. Self-ratcheting pulley for one rope 5/16” to ½” diameter. Wt 5.8 oz. Item PMTRAX

PETZL PROTRAXION PULLEY-ROPE GRAB

The Protraxion is a swing-sided self-jamming ball bearing pulley designed for hauling systems. Press a button and the side swings free for easy rope installation, even when Protraxion is already secured to the anchor point. Like the Minitraxion, this device has a rope-grab cam that puts an anti-return lock on the rope between haul strokes. Use with a pear or oval shaped carabiner for proper seating. For one rope 5/16” to ½” diameter. Wt 9.3 oz. Item PTRAX

PETZL SWIVEL

Swivel fitted with sealed ball bearings. Positioned between the rope and the load (you, or your gear), the Swivel avoids twisting of the rope as the load turns. Great for tricky maneuvers like traverses, and for hauling. UL classified for general use. Wt 4.6 oz. Item PSWIVEL

Detail from New Tribe’s Oregon Mountain Forest mural painted by jb Palasini © 2006
MONKEYTAIL
A lanyard is important when it comes to stabilizing your position, or having a backup safety line when switching over. The Monkeytail is a lanyard that is adjustable, versatile, lightweight and strong. It’s a strap of 5500 lbs test parachute webbing that adjusts from nine feet down to five feet using a forged steel three-bar slide. We stitch a reinforced eye at one end and add a sliding parachute harness triangle (rated at 9,000 lbs) at the other end. You can put the steel triangle into your saddle Screw Link before leaving the ground and keep an auto-locking carabiner on the other end of the strap, ready to use. Stuff this rig into the Open Climbing Bucket on your saddle and it’s out of your way until you want it. The Monkeytail is the perfect length for lobbing over near branches to set temporary and back-up safety, or for work positioning. It can be used in a basket configuration (around a branch and clipped to your saddle) or in a choker configuration (around a branch and clipped onto itself). For overnight safety, the Monkeytail is a more comfortable life-line than a rope. Wt 11 oz. Item MNKY

LIMB LOOP
This is a smaller, lighter safety strap made of 5600 lbs test webbing. It is a fixed 52 inches long with a reinforced sewn eye at each end, perfect for tying to near branches while moving your rope. It also works well for special rigging situations like hanging a pulley for hauling gear up or hanging a descender for lowering gear down. Wt 2 oz. Color blue. Item LLOOP

SEWN RUNNER
Commonly used by rock climbers, these are useful for rigging on tree branches, too. A 5-inch splice preserves the strength of the 5600 lbs test webbing. Available in three lengths and two colors.

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DYNEEMA DAISY CHAIN
You’ll be glad you have this Daisy Chain when you want your gear close by, but not hanging on your saddle. If you are working or camping in the treetops, this is your canopy closet. The Daisy Chain is a handy place to hang your hardware, saw, and other heavy equipment. Or, it can be your organizing station for setting up your treetop camp: clip on your sleeping bag, rainfly, backpack and food bag. The pockets are for static use only, and not for life safety. But when rigged as a sling, this Daisy Chain tests at 22kN, plenty strong enough for use as a temporary safety lanyard. Abrasion resistant, water resistant Dyneema webbing. 120 cm long (close to 48 inches). Item DAISY

PETZL GRILLON
Made of low-stretch rope, the Grillon is an adjustable lanyard that’s great for positioning and as a temporary lifeline. You can attach it to your saddle Screw Link, or to your saddle side D-rings, and adjust the rope length with the Grigri-like device that comes with it. It includes a sliding sleeve that protects the rope from abrasion. For carabiner connection, there are whipped eyes at each end, covered in plastic protectors. Petzl makes it in five lengths from 2m (6' 7") to 20m (65' 7"). We’ve chosen two lengths for this catalog, and we can order others for you upon request. Rated 15 kN, temporary horizontal lifeline. Item PGRIL3 length 3m (9’ 10") wt 1 lb 2.7 oz Item PGRIL5 length 5m (16’ 5") wt 1 lb 8 oz

PETZL RESCUE CORD (8.5 MM)
Here is an accessory cord that’s perfect for making prusik loops that slide up a rope when they’re slack but grab it under load. DRT climbers often use such a loop as a stirrup on the rope, to make ascending easier. You can create a pair of stirrups for this purpose using 12 feet of this cord tied in a triple crown knot. Two loops of the knot form the stirrups; tie the third loop in a prusik onto your climbing rope. (See “Tengu Tip #1” at www.newtribe.com for illustrated instructions on this triple crown trick.) Made by Samson Ropes for Petzl, this is a smooth strong cord with a fine hand. It tests at 4000 lbs breaking strength. Petzl has designed and tested this cord for high performance in rope rescue systems. Combined with Vector Lifeline, it excels for making prusiks, load release devices, compact pulley systems, and anchor systems. Color bright green. Sold by the foot. Please specify the length you want. Item PRCORD

( NOTE: See page 22, New Tribe Stirrups and Petzl Microcender for another way to add stirrups to your DRT climb! )

Keep a green tree in your heart and a singing bird may come.
—Chinese Proverb, found by Harv “Ponderosa” Teitelbaum, Treeclimbing Colorado
BREAR CLAW RESCUE KNIFE
Russ Kommer, who designed this knife in Anchorage, Alaska, thought a knife that was easy to grip and hard to lose would be a big hit. His original concept was a self-defense knife for women that would be lightweight and easy to access and control. But it seems that every parachutist, bush pilot and commercial fisherman who sees one, wants one. That goes for tree climbers, too.

The Bear Claw is a cutting machine that, thanks to the generous size finger hole, acts just like an extension of your hand. This knife is the perfect emergency cutting tool for anyone who needs to quickly cut rope, webbing, netting, clothing, or hair, especially if life depends on it.

We carry the Bear Claw in Triple-Point™ Serrated with tear drop tip for fast cutting without danger of point penetration—ideal for emergency rescue. Blade is full-tang, taper-ground AUS 4 stainless steel with a fine bead-blast finish. Friction grooves are placed on the blade spine, choil and near the tip for maximum blade control and safety. The contoured Zytel® handle fills the hand neatly. The Bear Claw weighs in at a lightweight but stout 3.4 oz, and measures 6 ½” long overall, in the sheath.

CRKT's trademark high-tech sheath for the Bear Claw is only 1.1 oz. of tough, durable, injection-molded Zytel. It allows efficient quick release of the knife—just thumb push against the sheath to release smoothly and quietly—or give a sharp pull. The sheath features molded-in threaded fittings for attachment of the black stainless steel Teflon®-plated pocket clip at either end, using the Torx® tool and screws provided. The sheath also has a total of seven lanyard holes and belting slots to permit a variety of carry positions, and a lanyard is provided. Made in Taiwan by Columbia River Knife & Tool. Item KNIFE

WINDSTORM SAFETY WHISTLE
Even shouting on a calm day, it can be hard to hear your climbing buddies calling between the ground and the top of a tree. Miss a message and someone's life could hang in the balance. This is especially true for those who guide climbs with inexperienced clients and students. The Windstorm Whistle gets attention better than any yell, no matter what the noise conditions may be. That's why we include the Windstorm in our Facilitator Package. One sharp blow and you can bring dangerous activity to a sudden halt.

Here's what this fierce whistle says about itself:

Whistles help keep people safe. The sound of a whistle can be vital in preventing injury. Tests show that whistles producing a low frequency sound are more easily heard when compared to whistles generating high frequency tones. In addition, low frequency tones carry more effectively over long distances. The Windstorm, which produces a low frequency sound, is a natural solution when safety is a consideration.

WARNING THIS WHISTLE IS VERY LOUD
Extremely loud -- Keep Out of Reach of Children. Continued use may cause hearing loss. Use ear protection and never blow close to listener's ear.

Made in USA of high-impact thermoplastic. Screams above crowds, howling wind, or virtually any competing noise. Emits an alarm that draws immediate attention. Item WHISTLE

YATES PICK-OFF STRAP
Having a rescue option is crucial for all folks who are taking others aloft. There is no better insurance for tree climbing facilitators and guides than to be prepared with this small but essential rescue tool. This strap is also good as an adjustable personal safety anchor.

This is a 1 to 1 Standard Pick-off/Transfer Strap used for patient pick-off situations. It's made with 1 ¾” heavy resin treated webbing and forged steel D rings. Length is adjustable to maximum 6 feet. Strength 5000 lbf. Working load vertical 450 lbs. Working load in basket configuration 750 lbs. Weight 1 lb. Made in USA by Yates. Item YPOSS

PETZL ZIPKA L.E.D. LAMP
This little gem has been a sensation at New Tribe. Not only did we each get one for ourselves, we stocked up to give them to our family and friends. The Zipka is small enough to hide in your hand, yet it shines a powerful light for over 100 hours on three AAA batteries. When batteries are fresh, the beam extends 20 feet. After 12 hours, its range declines to 8 feet, tapering off to about 5 feet for the next 75 hours. Unlike a traditional flashlight, the Zipka's beam is free of rings and hotspots. It has a retractable elastic band that allows you to mount it in a variety of ways—on your brow or helmet, on your wrist or water bottle. It's great for emergencies, for night walking, night climbing, setting camp after dark, and reading anywhere. Superb Petzl quality with a three-year guarantee. Wt 2.2 oz. Item PZIPKA
ASCENDERS

Single Rope Technique, pioneered by cavers using mechanical ascenders to climb the rope, works great for climbing trees. The New Tribe Ascenders system was created especially for tree climbers for efficiency, comfort and ease. We permanently apply 4000 lb test webbing straps and stirrups to our favorite Petzl or CMI ascenders and include a stainless steel Pear Screw Link to join the system to your saddle. With New Tribe Ascenders, any person of ordinary strength can go straight up a rope safely, stopping to rest at any time. The large stirrups make it easy to insert or remove your feet, so you can quickly switch back and forth between climbing the rope and climbing the branches. The Screw Link makes it easy to connect the straps to your climbing saddle, and allows you to use the ascenders separately when you want to.

CMI ULTRASCENDERS
Made of extruded aluminum with corrosion-resistant chrome-moly steel cams, rated at 4500 lbs. They feature a molded grip and room enough inside to grab like a handle on the rope. They come with our ascender straps permanently sewn on, or you can buy them by the pair without straps. Made in USA.

Item ASCCSET (pair, with straps) wt 2 lbs 1 oz
Item CMIASC (pair, without straps) wt 1 lb 6 oz

PETZL ASCENSION
For the most comfortable grip and ease of use, Petzl Ascensions win the prize. They are made of stamped aluminum with a chrome steel auto-locking cam, and test as strong as CMI Ultrascenders. Right (blue) and Left (gold) ascenders are color-coded for easy recognition in the field. As with all Petzl products, they come with detailed, well-illustrated safety and use information. You can have them with our New Tribe ascender straps, or without. Petzl sells Right and Left separately, and so can we.

Petzl pair with Ascender Straps wt 1 lb 12 oz Item ASCPSET
Petzl Ascender, left (without straps) wt 6.9 oz Item PASCL
Petzl Ascender, right (without straps) wt 6.9 oz Item PASCR

NEW TRIBE ASCENDER STRAPS ONLY
Already have a pair of ascenders, or do you sometimes want to use ascenders apart from their straps? This is a set of New Tribe Ascender straps and stirrups fitted with three stainless steel screw links. You can connect them to any ascending devices, and remove them, as it suits you. Wt 15 oz.

Item ASCSTRAPSM Small size for people 5 feet tall and under.
Item ASCSTRAP Standard size for people over 5 feet tall.

PETZL PANTIN FOOT-MOUNTED ASCENDER
Made for the right foot, this little foot strap ascender can be used in place of a foot loop in DRT, or together with Ascenders in SRT climbing. It glides up the rope when you lift your foot, then grabs the rope when you put your weight on it. You can easily kick your foot free of the strap when you want to step onto a branch. IMPORTANT: Not for life-safety use. This ascender assists in upward movement only. Always rely on your DRT knot or SRT ascenders for life safety, when using the Pantin foot ascender. Made for use with 8mm to 13 mm ropes. Wt 4.5 oz Item PANTIN

PETZL MICROASCENDER
This little ascender from Petzl is a favorite of arborists for tending slack with a rope lanyard. Climbing instructor Genevieve Summers uses the Microcender as a rope grab in conjunction with a set of stirrups, to assist in Doubled Rope Technique climbing. It is easier to lift than a prusik and she likes that it also doubles as a slack tender. It advances up the rope easily and the cam releases with a bit of pressure from your thumb to lengthen and slack your lanyard.

Intended for moving on fixed ropes (as a back-up belay), for hauling heavy loads, and as a progress capture device in hauling systems. Not for fall-protection use.

• Very compact and lightweight.
• Slides easily up the rope and jams when pulled down by the cam.
• Slides easily downwards when pulled down if the cam is held in.
• If overloaded or subjected to an impact force, the rope may slip through the device.
• Locking pin gives greater safety: separation from the rope requires two separate actions.
For use with single ropes 9 mm to 13 mm (⅜” to ½”) diameter. Wt 5.7 oz. Item PMICRO

NEW TRIBE STIRRUPS
In DRT climbing, it helps to apply some leg power to assist your ascent. For faster, more comfortable ascending, choose New Tribe Stirrups and a Petzl Microcender. These Stirrups are made of the same 4000 lb tubular webbing as our Ascender Straps, and they come with a small stainless steel Delta Screw Link (rated at 4960 lb) so you can link them to an ascender device or prusik on the rope. Wt 8 oz. Item STIR

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DESCENDERS

Rappelling out of a tall tree at the end of an SRT climb can be great fun. It is also extremely risky unless you do it with care and a good foundation of knowledge. We urge all climbers to seek training from someone experienced in the risks and techniques of safe rappelling. As with all tree climbing activities, Gravity Rules! Practice low and slow, and know what you’re doing before you begin. Tom Martin’s book Rappelling, Edition II (see page 30) can help you stay smart and safe, and assist you in choosing the right rappel device for your climbing style. In addition to rappelling, these devices can also be employed for lowering gear or people out of trees: strap one to an anchor using a Limb Loop or Sewn Runner, rig your lowering rope through it, and you have easy control of your load.

PETZL GRIGRI
Our canopy research friends prefer the Grigri for its ability to quickly run the rope and then stop on a dime, allowing hands-free observation time when moving down the tree. It has a handle that you use to unlock the rope, and to control how it runs. It works well for moving and positioning on inclined surfaces, making it handy for branch walking. Coming down, take your time: be aware that on long fast rappels where heat buildup can become extreme, the Grigri has been known to glaze the rope. Wt 9.3 oz. Item PGRI

PETZL I’D
This large descender is amazingly easy to place on the rope, and both easy and safe to use. To descend, simply pull on the handle while keeping hold of the rope with the other hand, controlling your speed by varying your grip on the free end of the rope. As soon as you release the handle, it locks the rope in mid-rappel. For unmatched security, it has an “anti-panic” feature: it locks if you pull the handle too hard. Made of anodized aluminum and stainless steel, with a strong handle of fiberglass-reinforced nylon. Comes with thorough information on use and safety from Petzl. Wt 1 lb 2.7 oz. Item PID

CMI RESCUE “8”
CMI’s Rescue 8 is the industry standard for rescue grade descenders. It’s big enough to handle the largest ropes—two of them. Extended horns on the upper ring prevent rope from sliding up and locking when tying off. Dual holes on the tie-in end allow the eight to remain attached to the harness while threading the rope, preventing loss of the device in extreme conditions. Aluminum forging with hard coating. Made in USA. Measures 6¼” x 6½” Breathing strength 7000 lbs, wt 7.8 oz. Item RESCUE8

CMI STANDARD “8”
A smaller, lighter, less expensive alternative to the Rescue “8”. Measures 5½”x3”, breaking strength 8000 lbs, wt 4.2 oz. Item STAND8

PETZL PIRANA
Though Petzl designed this for canyoning, it’s great for rappelling out of trees, too. For single or double rope. With 3 different braking positions, you can vary the friction for best performance for your rope diameter and your weight. Use with a Petzl Attache or a Petzl William Triact locking carabiner. For ropes ⅜” to ½” (8 to 13 mm). Wt 3.2 oz. Item PIRANA

CMI HYPER RACK
Some climbers prefer a single-plane rappel device for descent, since it avoids the accumulation of twist in the rope that can occur with “8” style devices. For tree descent, this minimal version of the rack is just right. It has the weight down to 16 oz, and the length down to 8 inches. It gives a smooth rappel with a variety of rope sizes. Four solid aluminum bars, including one HyperBar with locking pin for easier, safer lock off. The two upper bars are ¾” diameter and the two lower bars are ⅜”. Made in USA by Colorado Mountain Industries. Item CMHRACK

RAPPEL GLOVES
Constructed from high quality sheep skin leather reinforced with cowhide across the palm to give you extra heat protection right where you need it. Elastic at the wrist makes sure they stay on. Comfortable, sensitive and durable. Available in five sizes. The extra small size will fit larger kids, something that’s hard to find in hardware store glove displays. Made in China (best we could do). Wt 8 oz. Item GLOVXS (extra small), GLOVS (small), GLOVM (medium), GLOVL (large) or GLOVXL (extra large)
Imagine climbing up into the top of a tree, and then getting to stay there, in blissful comfort, all day and even all night... Although we originally created Treeboat for backpacking—it gave us a way to camp that was better than sleeping on hard ground—Treeboat’s strength and stability proved to be perfect for tree canopy camping.

Treeboat is more than just a great piece of outdoor gear. Creating the first Treeboat in 1985 was a watershed event in our lives that changed how we spent our time outdoors. Nothing we own gives us the same feeling of wealth as the Treeboat, and if we could keep only one of our New Tribe creations, Treeboat would win hands down. It’s tremendously satisfying to watch Treeboat continue to change other people’s lives the way it did ours.

BASIC TREEBOAT HAMMOCK

Treeboat opens up a world of possibilities for getting comfortable at ground level and high in the trees, in all kinds of weather. Treeboat is a hammock that is sturdy, stable and warm. It won’t tip or sway. It won’t clamp shut around you. It is strong and roomy enough for two people to share (for lounging; overnight sleeping is usually best with one person per hammock).

This rugged portable bed is 6’6” long, 30” wide, and made of tough nylon canvas renowned for its strength and abrasion resistance. The shrouds are 4000 lbs test 1” tubular nylon webbing running full length along both sides of the boat, ending with a buckle at each corner. It comes with 35 more feet of webbing, in 15- and 20-foot lengths for versatile rigging possibilities. The four buckles are 500 lbs proof load stainless steel. They are easy to adjust and eliminate knot tying during set up. Each corner bears a 2500 lbs test rolled aluminum ring that helps stop rain water from wicking down the shrouds; the rings are also handy attachment points for the inventive rigging often called for in tree top hammocking. The slip-in battens at each end are lightweight fiberglass epoxy composite, to brace Treeboat out to its full width. For easy handling in the field, every Treeboat comes with its own haul bag. Wt 4 lbs 10 oz. Item TBH

LONGBOAT

Now you can stretch out like never before!

This is the Treeboat Hammock, made a FULL 12” LONGER for our long-limbed friends. It’s 7’6” long and 30” wide. The additional length provides for more spacious comfort when two people share it. We were happy to discover that this model has a flatter profile once you’re inside—there is less bend in the fabric to affect your back and knees. It’s a dreamy improvement over the already wonderful Treeboat design, for taller folks and for those who like to double up for their hammock time. Wt 4 lb 13 oz. Item TBHL

TREEBOAT with SLEEVE and LONGBOAT with SLEEVE

Our friend John Gathright of Japan wanted a Treeboat with a sleeve on the deck that he could use to enclose a ground sleeping pad for warmth and cushioning. We tried his idea and it’s a winner. Our Cozy insulation (next page) works great for the Basic Treeboat described above, but if you already own a ground pad, you’ll get good comfort using it with this version of the Treeboat. Same features as the Basic Treeboat, plus a full length layer of 500 denier nylon canvas on the deck. Treeboat with Sleeve: Wt 5 lbs 12 oz. Item TBHS

Longboat with Sleeve: Wt 6 lbs. Item TBHLS

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And see the peaceful trees extend
Their myriad leaves in leisured dance –
They bear the weight of sky and cloud
Upon the fountain of their veins.
— Kathleen Raine, Envoi

TREEBOAT MOSQUITO NET (SKIRTED)
This full length netting is basic to peace of mind and bodily comfort during the buggy season. It is open at the bottom, with a 12 inch skirt that can be tucked in or left hanging out. For tree climbers, the Skirted Mosquito Net is easier to climb in and out of when branches limit approach angles and you are still tied in to your rope. Its corners are fitted with D rings for tying the skirts snug around the hammock.
Wt 10 oz. Treeboat Mosquito Net: Item TBMQNET
Longboat Mosquito Net: Item TBMQNETL

TREEBOAT MOSQUITO NET (ZIPPERED)
For really aggressive bugs or in the tropics where insect borne disease is a risk. The Zippered Mosquito Net completely envelops the Treeboat and zips closed at the bottom. Corner openings allow shrouds to pass through, and snap closed. Wt 13 oz.
Treeboat Zippered Net: Item TBMQNETZ
Longboat Zippered Net: Item TBMQNETZL

TREEBOAT RAINFLY
This is a lightweight, versatile sheet of weather resistant nylon oxford cloth that arches over the Treeboat. It is fitted with snap hooks, ties and D rings that allow you to rig it as a rain shelter, sun shade, wind break, or privacy shield. With fiberglass ribs at each end that shape it into an adjustable arch. The Rainfly can be used together with either of our Mosquito Nets. Wt 1 lb 12 oz.
Treeboat Rainfly: Item TBRAINFLY
Longboat Rainfly: Item TBRAINFLYL

TREEBOAT TENT
More roomy and weather tight than the Rainfly, the Tent has three fiberglass ribs that hold it out like a covered wagon top. Made of water resistant 200 denier coated nylon oxford. The center rib can be set to flare outward giving ventilation and entry access from beneath, or it can be pulled in close to the sides of the Treeboat to keep wind out. Zippered vent doors at each end. Snap hooks at each end allow mounting of the Mosquito Net inside the Tent. Wt 2 lbs 10 oz.
Treeboat Tent: Item TBTENT
Longboat Tent: Item TBTENTL

TREEBOAT COZY
Imagine Treeboating year ‘round! This accessory for the Treeboat completes the perfect comfort of your hammocking experience. Even in a Treeboat, hammocks in our climate lose heat from the all around air contact. Our Cozy is insulation that snaps to the underside of the Treeboat where body weight can’t crush it. In temperatures below 70° the reflective warmth of the Cozy turns your Treeboat into a soothing cradle that will delight you and can extend your hammocking time throughout the day and night and across the seasons. Once on an overnight, Viola used a second Cozy snapped over the Treeboat and found it created a cocoon of comfort. Made of 8 oz fiberfill insulation sandwiched between lightweight nylon and weather resistant coated nylon oxford.

Treeboat Cozy: Wt 2 lbs, Item TBCOZY
Longboat Cozy: Wt 2 lbs 13 oz, Item TBCOZYL
TREEBOAT OUTRIGGER BAG

One of the best things about using a Treeboat Hammock is the lovely, lazy feeling of relaxing in the trees. It's heaven to read a book, watch birds, eat a picnic lunch, take photographs, or just chug some water while lounging there. Viola came up with this ideal way to keep book, binoculars, lunch, camera and water bottle within easy reach.

The Outrigger is made of 400 denier nylon packcloth. It measures 18" long and 16" deep, so it can accommodate a variety of items for your hammocking convenience, even a notebook computer! Inside, it has one main compartment and two smaller pockets that are made of mesh so you can see their contents. Stiff webbing reinforces the top of the bag so it won't capsize when loaded. It clips between any two D-rings along the sides of your Treeboat, so you can hang it where it suits you best. It has a generous top flap that closes with a Velcro fastener, to keep the weather out of the bag. Finally, there are additional carabiner loops and a snaphook inside, so you can tether your valuables to keep from dropping them. The Outrigger is a cinch to carry, since it folds completely flat when empty. Wt 6 oz. Item TBOUTRIG

TREEBOAT BUDDY BLANKET

It is a great joy to relax with your friend outdoors even in cool weather and stay perfectly warm. This specialized field blanket traps the body heat of two people for better warmth than one person alone. With a hole at each end for your head to poke through, you and your friend can talk or nap with just your faces exposed while you stay tucked in. This also conceals your human shape to make your Treeboat an even better nature-watching blind.

Each hole is large enough to put your arms or even your shoulders through for sitting up while the rest of you stays covered. The simple design works much better for two-up Treeboat lounging than either an ordinary flat blanket or a zippered sleeping bag, yet it is affordable, lightweight, and easy to pack. Lightweight nylon shell, 4 oz fiberfill insulation inside. Sized for the Basic Treeboat. Wt 2 lbs 14 oz. Item TBUDY

TREEBOAT PILLOW

This is the special touch to make your Treeboat heaven complete. A minimal 12" X 14" pillow with two tie strings sewn in so you can’t lose it over the side when you’re 100 feet up in your favorite high hammocking spot. Soft polyester fleece cover in a neutral color with fiber filling. Easy to carry, divine to use. Wt 8 oz. Item TBPILL

TREEBOAT EYE SHROUDS

Expand your Treeboat rigging possibilities, and make setup even easier! The Eye Shroud is a length of the same 4000 lbs tubular webbing as the original Treeboat shrouds, with an eye sewn at one end. You can wrap it once around a branch or trunk, pass the end through the eye, and cinch it snug. Then join the free end to the Treeboat’s corner buckle, and adjust it to the tension you want. Use one Eye Shroud per corner, in placements where a longer standard shroud is less convenient. Sold by the pair, one 6 feet and the other 11 feet long. Wt 8 oz. per pair. Item TBEYE

TREE FROG

With the Tree Frog you can quickly make a comfortable seat high in a tree, between branches. It is an 18" x 14" pillow cover with four straps for buckling or tying it into a big crotch or between any two, three, or four branches strong enough to hold your weight. The underside is made of the same rugged nylon canvas as the Treeboat, with 4000 lbs rated webbing straps that extend 40" from each corner. The top is soft 4-ply Taslan the color of light filtering through bright green leaves. You can set up the Tree Frog without a pillow; it works great and feels like a canvas chair. For the utmost luxury, though, insert your own pillow through the zippered opening. Wt 14 oz. Item FROG

God has cared for these trees, saved them from drought, disease, avalanches, and a thousand tempests and floods. But he cannot save them from fools.
—John Muir
TREEBOAT SPECIALS

We REALLY want you to experience Treeboat Heaven. With these combinations, you can save money doing it!

BASIC TREEBOAT KIT
Basic Treeboat Hammock
Treeboat Cozy
Treeboat Haul Bag
Treeboat Mosquito Net (Skirted)
Treeboat Pillow
Wt 10 lbs Item TBKIT

See deluxe Treeboat kit next page →
MORE TREEBOAT SPECIALS

The Treeboat Hammock experience can enhance your life. This Kit is an investment that pays huge dividends, and costs you less when you buy the bundle. This combination of Treeboat items allows you to share your Treeboat bliss with your best friend, anytime, throughout the year. The Cozy keeps you warm, and with the Sleeve you can add a pad for additional insulation in the bitterest cold. With the Net and the Rainfly, you will stay free of bugs, warm and dry no matter what the weather. The Blanket and Pillows are the luxury touches that rival the best hotel for classy comfort. And the Outrigger Bag serves as a most convenient “bedside table” for anything you like to keep handy.

LAP O’ LUXURY ALL-SEASON TREEBOAT KIT

Treeboat Hammock with Sleeve
Treeboat Haul Bag
Treeboat Cozy
Treeboat Mosquito Net (Zippered)
Treeboat Rainfly
Treeboat Buddy Blanket
Treeboat Pillow (2)
Treeboat Outrigger Bag
Wt 14 lbs Item TBLUX

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God is the experience of looking at a tree and saying, "Ah!"

—Joseph Campbell
RAPPELLING EDITION II BY TOM MARTIN

Rock climber Tom Martin has created a thorough introduction to the wide variety of hardware used for ascending and rappelling. He details how to use it and what’s right or wrong with each one. We offer the most recent revision, dated 1989. Some old gizmos Tom describes are no longer available, and newer items have since appeared that Tom doesn’t cover. There is a lot of information here for non-tree climbers that you won’t use. Still, what does apply to getting in and out of trees is so valuable for your safety that it is well worth the price of the book.

Quality hardcover. Wt 1 lb 2 oz. Item BKRAP

THE TREE CLIMBER’S COMPANION BY JEFF JEPSON

Here is a text that outlines the basic techniques of safe tree climbing. Arborist and climbing instructor Jeff Jepson does the job well in 104 pages, with plenty of clear illustrations by Bryan Kotwicka. Jeff’s systematic approach is helpful for both working and recreational climbers. The compact format is intended to encourage climbers to take this guide into the field for handy reference anytime you need to review a knot or technique. Wt 5 oz. Item BKCOMP

RECREATIONAL TREE CLIMBING – A NEWCOMER’S GUIDE

BY DICK FLOWERS

Unlike manuals written for commercial arborists, this book by our friend Dick Flowers assumes you are starting at the very beginning. It also assumes that you are going to climb for pleasure, not to prune the tree. It emphasizes DRT, the climbing style best for the author’s Midwest hardwood trees, and it covers SRT as well. For years, Dick has been teaching climbing around Michigan where he lives. His enthusiastic tree climbing converts tell us that he is giving them a hearty introduction. Wt 3 oz. Item BKREC

ON ROPE BY BRUCE SMITH AND ALLEN PADGETT

This is the 1996 revised edition of the best comprehensive book about vertical safety. It was information from the first version of On Rope that helped assure that New Tribe’s early products were properly made for life-safety. And we learned some key techniques and warnings that contributed to our efficient SRT climbing style.

The first thing you’ll notice in this version of Bruce Smith and Allen Padgett’s masterpiece is the greatly improved illustrations by Ron Buffington. Looking closer, you’ll appreciate the updated info on hardware and techniques, with tables to help you compare them. It’s good to see special sections addressed to window washers, river runners, challenge courses, theater and circus riggers, among others. Their piece on arborists disregards the women in this profession, and it’s a bit narrow and outdated. They don’t mention canopy research or recreational tree climbing at all. Don’t let that put you off.

Smith and Padgett are cavers. Though their perspective is from below the ground instead of high above it, everything they share in this book is useful to tree climbers. This volume is an essential investment in your climbing know-how, with its detailed, thoroughly illustrated coverage of knots, rigging, belaying, rappelling, ascending and rescue. Cheap at twice the price.

Large format 8½ x 11 inches, 382 pages, quality hardcover. Hefty, at 2 lbs 15 oz. Item BKONROPE

A few minutes ago every tree was excited,
bowing to the roaring storm, waving, swirling,
tossing their branches in glorious enthusiasm
like worship.
But though to the outer ear these trees are now silent,
their songs never cease.
Every hidden cell is throbbing with music and life,
every fiber thrilling like harp strings,
while incense is ever flowing from the balsam bells and leaves.
No wonder the hills and groves were God’s first temples,
and the more they are cut down and hewn into cathedrals and churches,
the farther off and dimmer seems the Lord himself.

—John Muir

Illustration by Fiona King from The Wild Muir, Twenty-two of John Muir’s Greatest Adventures, selected and introduced by Lee Stetson

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Because they are primeval, because they outlive us, because they are fixed, trees seem to emanate a sense of permanence. And though rooted in earth, they seem to touch the sky.

For these reasons it is natural to feel we might learn wisdom from them, to haunt about them with the idea that if we could only read their silent riddle rightly we should learn some secret vital to our own lives; or even, more specifically, some secret vital to our real, our lasting and spiritual existence.

—Kim Taplin, Tongues in Trees, 1989
New Tribe is excited to bring you a new tree climbing school based in southern Oregon—the first tree climbing school west of the Rockies to offer official Tree Climbers International standard courses and unforgettable adventures, here in Oregon, or at your location by special arrangement.

**TIM "TENGU" KOVAR JOINS NEW TRIBE**

New Tribe’s school is possible thanks to our great friend Tim Kovar, a Master Instructor with Tree Climbers International, who helped design and fine-tune the TCI tree climbing courses that are being taught worldwide.

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Learn the basics to safely do technical tree climbing on your own.

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Advance your skills maneuvering in the crown, setting lines and pitching Treeboat Hammocks

**SINGLE ROPE TECHNIQUE**
Introduction to climbing tall trees using mechanical ascenders and rappel devices.

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Learn how to safely share this experience with others.

**TREE WEEK**
A Tree Climbing Northwest exclusive! This week-long training intensive covers three tree climbing courses—Basic, Rigging, and Single Rope Technique—and adds a wilderness climb, an overnight in a tree, and a visit to New Tribe’s workshop. By special arrangement, Tim takes Tree Week students on a pilgrimage walk through the magnificent Coast Redwood groves in northern California.

*Time is running out for our ancient forests. They need our help but cannot ask for it. It is up to us to see through the eyes of the Trees, and to act to protect the forests. Let me take you where your child heart soars, and let the love of the Trees touch you in a way that nothing else can.*

—Tim Tengu Kovar

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