

Best Dog Tents (for Camping)

I love camping! I also love my dog. And if he could talk or write, he would probably say the same. Whenever I go out on an adventure, my dog Cesar, comes with me.

A fundamental part of every camping trip is shelter. Did you know that dogs can have their own tents? I didn't!



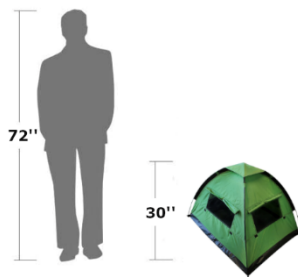
Choosing the right one can have a soothing effect on the dog. Ensuring Cesar has a safe place to lie and rest is helping me feel better and helps him feel more excited for our next adventure outdoors.

Best Dog Tents

I've tried out more than a dozen of different dog tents. Even though many of them are marketed for small dogs or cats, they can be very roomy and accommodate even larger dogs.

Below I've listed the ones that impressed me the most, given what you get for your money and how good they are at accommodating your dog.

1. [Alcott Pup Tent](#)



Alcott Pup tent is stylish green, and it looks very nice. It is made from a durable, well-ventilated material, with 4 windows. You can easily open and close the mesh with a zipper.

You also get stakes in case you need them.

The price point impressed me the most, as it was among the less expensive dog tents I bought.

Cesar is a mid-sized Siberian Samoyed, and he can fit inside the tent without issues with room to spare.

I love that it weighs only 1.5 pounds and is super easy to set up.

The only complaint that I have is that it is partially waterproof.

PROS:

- Low price! Most dog tents that can comfortably fit a mid-sized dog go for much more.

- Very light. No heavy lifting is involved, and you can easily carry the tent. If you have a mid-sized or a giant dog, they can do the carrying for you. It makes dogs happier because it gives them their own function on the camping trip.

CONS:

- It's not entirely waterproof. So, suppose this is a deciding factor for you. You might want to invest in a waterproofing spray to give the tent some extra hydrophobic properties.
- Alcott Dog Tent can fit a large dog, but it might be a tight squeeze.

2. [Pet Play Tent](#)



Some friends advised me to check this product out, and I was surprised.

This pet tent is enormous, and it definitely looks bigger than what I would've imagined from looking at pictures.

It came folded in a carry bag. It is easy to handle. I had to place it on the floor, hold it with one hand, and pull two cords at the top. I had to lock it by pressing a tiny orange clasp.

And that was it! No annoying assembly or disassembly was required.

The whole tent is made from a durable and sturdy mesh, offering fantastic ventilation. There are two large doors, and both can be opened and closed with a zipper. This tent can easily fit my dog Cesar who weighs about 35 pounds.

And to be realistic, there was room for much more.

It is entirely waterproof.

I have used this dog tent for a long time, and there are still no signs of wear, even though Cesar tends lean heavily on the sides while sleeping.

PROS:

- So much space! I loved the fact that my dog has more room in this tent compared to how much space I have in mine.
- I am happy with the quality of the tent, and it will last a very long time.

CONS:

- Higher purchase price! But it is worth every cent for the roominess your dog gets and the product quality.
- Tent size. While I love the roominess, it also causes trouble occasionally. Namely placing it in small or tight spaces was challenging, but I had to look for more open areas with enough space to lay the tent completely flat. This still isn't a real downside, considering the benefits you're getting.

Things to Remember When You Go Camping With Your Dog



Never Leave Your Dog Alone

It is very different when you go alone versus camping with your dog. It is almost like having a small playful child with you. While dogs are more independent and careful than a child, being close to your doggo friend is still suggested.

You don't want your dog running off into the wild because he might get lost and scared. An added safety measure is to put a brightly colored Hi-Viz vest on your dog.

Hydrate Your Dog Properly

I remember learning the two most essential things when camping outdoors: 1) shelter and 2) water. You'll have the shelter part covered with a tent but always bring water. If it is a hot summer day, this is even more important.

Bring Plenty of Toys

I always like to bring at least two or three balls. This helps my dog have a better experience and bonds us together more because I like it as much as Cesar does.

FAQs

What is a dog tent?

In the same way, a camping tent is a shelter for us humans, and a dog tent is a shelter for dogs. It can be used in your yard at home or whatever outside place you are visiting with your dog.

How do I clean a dog tent?

Depending on the material used, most dog tents can be cleaned using a water hose. If you smell any odors coming from the tent after cleaning it, you can use soap, warm water, and a brush. This helps me get all the stubborn dirt out.

How can I calm my dog down in a tent?

From my experience, my dog Cesar didn't enjoy tents at first, but as I've left it open in the backyard and let him get used to it a bit more, he went at his own pace to check it out. Quickly after that, he got used to the tent and used it without me suggesting it at all.

Are dogs OK in tents?

Most dogs will have a biological need to have shelter. A dog will likely enjoy being inside one.

If your dog doesn't like being in one, try giving it time to sniff and get used to it at home a bit more before you go on a long trip outside.

Conclusion



Dog tents come in all colors and sizes. Look for a big tent for your dog to fit in comfortably. If you want it to last longer and be reliable, consider quality. If you like camping and backpacking, ensure the dog tent is 100% waterproof.