



Eclipse Parasol

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Owners Manual

# ECLIPSE CANTILEVER PARASOL

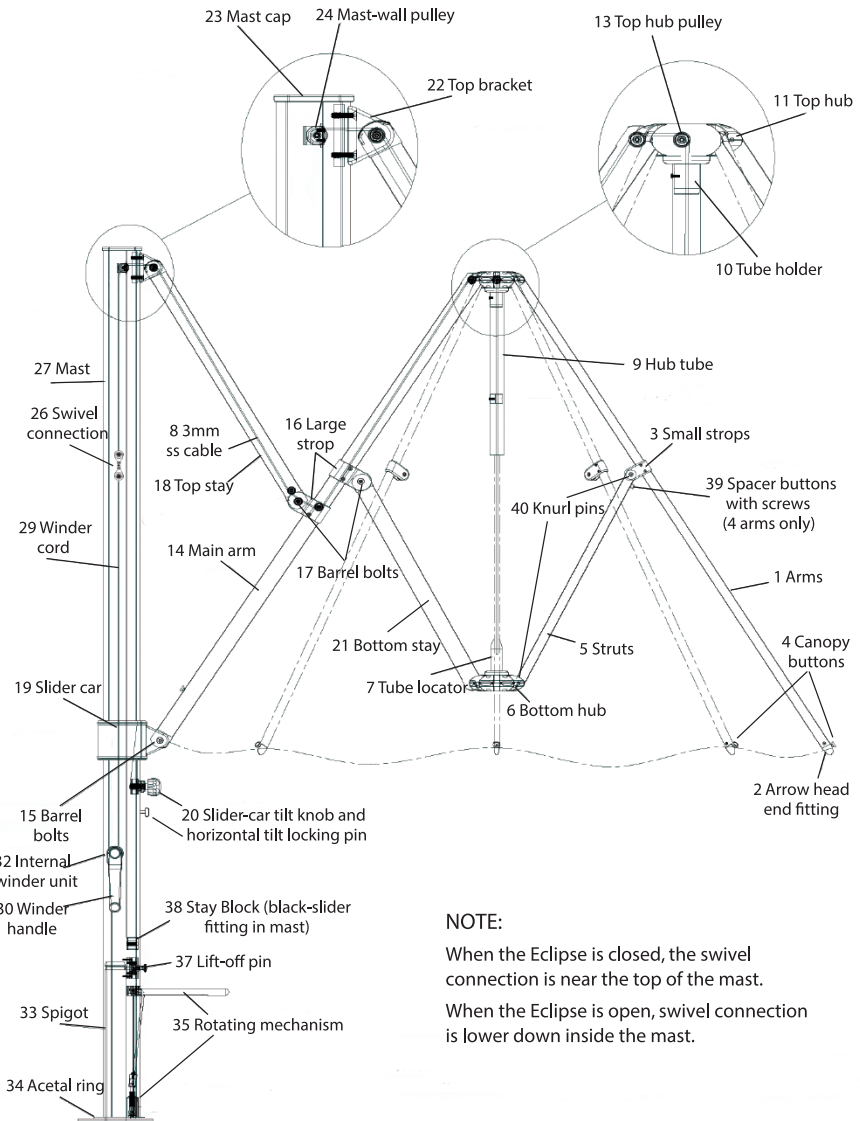
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## General Information

The Eclipse parasol is principally intended for use in low to moderate wind conditions which will provide you with many hours of protection from the sun and light rain. You will get maximum benefit from your parasol when you use it in accordance with our instructions and within appropriate weather conditions.

- Do not leave the parasol open when unattended, particularly in windy conditions.
- The parasol should be securely strapped when closed, especially in strong winds and adverse weather conditions.
- Any modifications to your parasol, except those made by Instashade Ltd. may invalidate the warranty.
- The parasol should be clean and dry prior to storing away for any extended periods of time. This will prevent mould from developing
- Inspect the installation fitting / base on a regular basis and tighten if required.

# ECLIPSE PARTS IDENTIFICATION



**NOTE:**

When the Eclipse is closed, the swivel connection is near the top of the mast.

When the Eclipse is open, swivel connection is lower down inside the mast.

# TO OPEN THE ECLIPSE PARASOL

1. Remove the strap from the canopy.
2. Gently spread the canopy arms open with your hands (**refer Figure A**).
3. Ensure the turning knob for the slider can move freely (**refer Figure B**). Insert the winder handle (30) into the hole on the side of the mast and rotate in a clockwise direction.



**Figure A**

Gently spread the canopy arms open

4. Continue winding until the canopy is fully open and the edge of the canopy is firm (**refer Figure C**). *Note: The winder handle will become a little harder to wind as the parasol is fully open. Stop winding when the canopy is taut/firm. Do not overwind.*



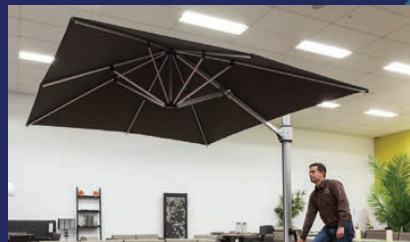
**Figure B**

Ensure tilt knob is loose (turn anti-clockwise) when opening and closing parasol

5. Once the canopy is fully opened, hold the turning knob (20) and push the slider up until the canopy is at the desired tilt angle. Tighten the knob (20) clockwise to secure the parasol at that angle.

*Important: The slider knob (20) must be done up tightly, especially when used in exposed locations. The parasol should not be tilted when windy.*

6. When the slider is pushed up to the highest point, the locking pin (20) will automatically engage, locking the canopy in the horizontal position. The optimum strength of the parasol is reached only when the canopy is in the horizontal position, with the slider at its maximum height and the locking pin (20) engaged.



**Figure C**

Edge of canopy should be tight

7. The tilt angle of the canopy can be adjusted as required at any time by loosening the slider knob (20), pulling the locking pin outward and sliding the slider up and down the mast. **Note: The locking pin will only engage at the horizontal level.**

# TO CLOSE THE ECLIPSE PARASOL

**1.** Rotate the winder handle (30) in an anti-clockwise direction. The canopy will begin to collapse. Continue winding in an anti-clockwise direction until the canopy is mostly closed and the canopy arms are pointing almost vertically down to the ground.

**2.** Turn the slider tilt knob (20) anti-clockwise until loose, hold the slider tilt knob and pull the slider down the mast towards the ground. If the canopy is in the horizontal position, pull the locking pin out first.

**3.** Fold the canopy neatly when storing for extended periods of time to reduce the risk of damage to the canopy caused by constant rubbing against the parasol frame. To do this, stand in front of the canopy and take hold of the front two panels, pull them away from the parasol towards your body and roll them together back towards the parasol frame. Hold the rolled panels with one hand, while grabbing a third panel, tightly folding it over the roll to hold it in place, alternate folding over the remaining five panels from left to right.

**5.** Secure folded panels in place with the canopy strap, wrapping it around the mast and canopy. Gently push the folded canopy back against the mast so that it is compact. **Important:** *When the parasol is closed it should always be firmly strapped.*

**6. FITTING THE OPTIONAL COVERBAG:** Stand in front of the folded canopy and open the coverbag zip completely. Use the handle rod to lift the coverbag behind the mast and up as high as possible to clear the top of the parasol. Pull the coverbag down over the top of the mast and canopy. Zip the coverbag closed. The zip should be on the front side of the canopy, not at the back of the mast.



**Figure A**

Ensure tilt knob is loose (turn anti-clockwise) when closing parasol



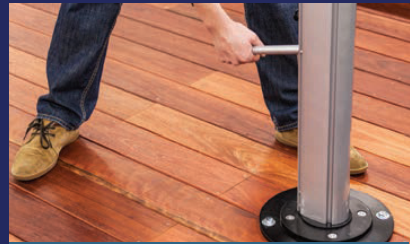
**Figure B**

Fit the cover bag over mast and frame and zip up

# TO ROTATE THE ECLIPSE PARASOL

There are 16 rotational-locking holes in the spigot. These location holes are found at every 22.5 degrees around the spigot base. They are located where indicated on the spigot base and are under the nylon indexing shield (34) which acts as a dust cover for the holes not in use.

1. Pull the rotation lift handle (35) out from the mast cavity (**refer Figure A**)



**Figure A**  
Lift rotation handle

2. Lift up on the handle and feel the resistance from the spring that houses the rotating lock pin.

**Warning:** *In lifting this handle you are not attempting to lift the whole parasol, rather just the spring on the rotating lock pin that locates the rotation lock pin. Do not apply too much force when lifting up on the handle.*



**Figure B**  
Rotate the parasol by using the handle

3. By using the rotating lift handle (35) as a lever you may rotate the parasol on the base (**refer Figure B**) until you arrive at the new required position.

**NOTE:** *There is some resistance to rotation as the weight of the parasol when opened and friction need to be overcome. For easier rotation close the parasol canopy first.*



**Figure C**  
Align the indicator arrow with a notch

4. Each position is marked by a notch on the spigot base. Align the indicator arrow with a notch (**refer Figure C**). Once aligned with a notch, lower the rotating handle down to locate the rotating lock pin. **WARNING:** *Do not force the rotating handle down if the indicator arrow is between notch positions. The rotating handle should close down easily. If any resistance is encountered do not force it, rotate the parasol further slightly to locate the correct hole position.*



# TO USE YOUR (OPTIONAL) STABILISER BARS

Your Eclipse cantilever parasol can be fitted with an optional stabilising bar to assist its performance in a wider range of wind conditions.

**Note:** The Eclipse parasol does not need to be fitted with the stabilising bar for normal operation in calm to moderate wind conditions. However for higher wind environments or for commercial applications it is advisable to fit the stabilising bar to add stability to the parasol.



**Figure A**  
Slide stay block up the mast

1. Slide the stabiliser arm block (38) up the internal mast housing to a height roughly the same as the height of the stabiliser bars when standing vertical (**refer Figure A**).



**Figure B**  
Screw stays into stay block

2. Attach the threaded stainless screw (with the two aluminium stays attached) to the stay block and tighten the screw sufficiently for the stay block to remain in position without sliding down the mast (**refer Figure B**).

3. Swing either aluminum stay arm off the ground and attach to the parasol arms (**refer Figure C**) using the black 'screw in' fittings.



**Figure C**  
Slide end stay arm over T-lock

4. You may need to loosen the locking knob (**refer Figure B**) and adjust up or down the mast for the stabiliser arms to reach the correct position on the arms (**refer Figure C**). Once both stabiliser arms have been attached, tighten the central threaded-locking knob to lock in position (**refer Figure C**).

**Caution:** Do not use tension as this may distort the parasol arms. Reverse the process to remove the stabilising bar. It must be removed to close the parasol or tilt the canopy.

**Important:** Your Eclipse parasol even when fitted with the stabilising bar, is not a permanent, all-weather structure. We recommend the parasol should be closed and folded when not in use and never left open in strong winds.

# SIMPLE MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS

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## Simple Maintenance Procedures:

- 1.** In coastal or metropolitan environments frequent washing (with a hose) of the complete unit is very beneficial.
- 2.** Should the 16 rotating mechanism stop pin holes become filled with sand or dust lift the parasol spigot up 20cm and allow the dust cover to be lifted and the 16 holes can be cleaned.
- 3.** Periodic cleaning of the slider tracks with mineral turpentine is recommended. It is important to keep tracks free of dirt, grit, cobwebs and other foreign objects. Spray can be used to lubricate the tracks after cleaning.
- 4.** Always fold the canopy as described in section "TO CLOSE AURORA PARASOL". This will prolong the new look of the canvas and prevent marking and holes caused by "pinching" in the parasol frame.
- 5.** If you have a cover bag it is advisable to fit it if the parasol is not being used for some time.
- 6.** It is recommended that if the parasol is not being used for a period of time during the winter months, then it is a good policy to put the umbrella in storage. You may even remove the spigot if required.
- 7.** The canvas canopy can be cleaned or mould removed by using a mild mixture of an approved mould remover and or warm soapy water using a soft brush. Test first on the strap to ensure no damage will be caused to the parasol canopy fabric.



## CARE INSTRUCTIONS FOR YOUR INSTASHADE PARASOL

### Recasens 100% Solution-Dyed Acrylic Canvas Fabric

- Instashade uses the finest marine grade solution-dyed acrylic canvas fabric manufactured by S.A. Recasens in Spain. This premium outdoor fabric has the best available colour fastness rating of 7.8 out of 8.
- Recasens fabrics also has the highest possible UV protection rating of UPF 80 according to the European UV standard 801, cutting out the maximum amount of harmful UV light for excellent sun protection.

### HOW TO CLEAN YOUR OUTDOOR PARASOL FABRIC

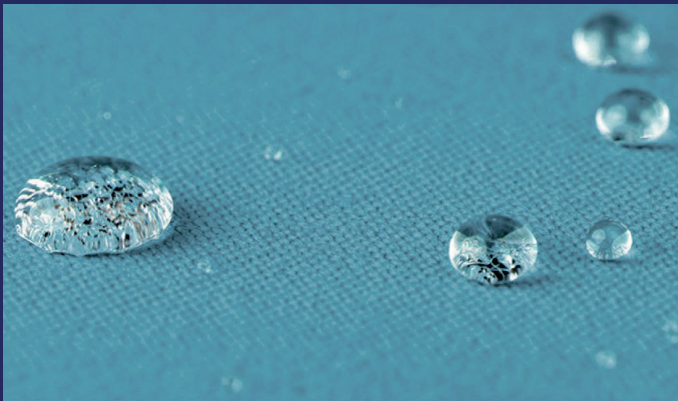
- Recasens acrylic canvas fabric is water and mould repellent and will last a very long time if maintained well. However, over time, the accumulation of dust, pollution particles, organic plant matter, pollen and general dirt can embed itself into the fabric and shorten the life of it.
- It is a good idea to periodically give your parasol fabric a light brush down with a soft bristled brush/broom and water from a garden hose. This will help to dislodge and remove loose dust and dirt that has settled on the fabric before it can embed itself deeply. Although mould will not grow directly on clean acrylic canvas, as dirt and organic matter embeds itself into the fabric the mould will be able to grow on the embedded dirt and organic matter, so it is best to remove dirt early.

#### **How to clean light dirt and marks from your outdoor parasol fabric:**

- Depending on how often you use your parasol, you may eventually need to give it a more thorough wash to remove any embedded dirt or early signs of mould growth. To do this you will need to mix warm water and sugar soap in a bucket. Use a soft bristled brush (or a long broom) to generously work this soapy water into a lather over the parasol fabric. Focus mostly on the areas with the most dirt or stains, then allow the soapy water to soak into the parasol fabric.
- Once you are finished soaking the parasol fabric, rinse it thoroughly with a hose until all soap residue is removed, and then air dry the fabric.
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### **How to remove heavy dirt or mould from your outdoor parasol acrylic canvas fabric:**

- If you have heavy dirt or mould growth in your acrylic canvas fabric and the instructions above have not removed it, you may need to repeat the instructions again, but add between half and one cup of bleach to the bucket of soapy water. The acrylic canvas fabric used by Instashade should not fade or lose colour when using bleach (diluted with water) when cleaning. Feel free to test the bleach mixture on the canopy strap first to check that there is no colour loss.
- The best way to remove heavy dirt and mould is to remove the canopy from the parasol and soak it in warm water with something like bleach or "Vanish Oxi Action". You might need to change the water and repeat this process until all the dirt or stains are removed. It is then essential that the fabric is thoroughly rinsed with water to remove any cleaning product. A good way to do this is to put the fabric through a gentle machine wash with cold water and washing detergent. Once this is done, put the parasol fabric back on to the parasol frame wet and then allow to air dry..



### **Warranty:**

- Recasens fabrics are manufactured with only the highest quality raw materials and the most rigorous quality-assurance procedures. Recasens fabrics are covered by a 10 year residential warranty (5 years for commercial use) covering rot and colour fading\* in normal environments and conditions of use. The warranty does not cover wear and tear, or wind related damage.

*\*Colours with red pigmentation (red, orange and yellow etc) will have lower colour fastness than other colours and will show some fading earlier.*

## PARASOL BASE CARE

- Do not let dirt build up on the bases. Cleaning with mild soap and water, and seasonal touch-up of any scratches, chips or occasional rust seepage from crevices or hidden, unfinished surfaces inherent in some designs is all that is required. Never leave bases standing in water. To keep your bases looking their best, you may wish to store them when not in use for any extended period of time.

## SUMMARY

### Light Cleaning

- Brush off dust and dirt with a soft brush. NEVER brush with stiff brushes since this can damage the fabric finish.
- Spray the parasol with clean water. If a hose is used, avoid high pressure.
- Prepare a solution of sugar soap in warm water (no more than 30°C) and apply it to the fabric and stitching.
- Scrub with a soft brush, allowing the solution to penetrate the fabric.
- Rinse with water to remove all traces of soap.
- Let air dry and do not close the parasol until the canvas is completely dry.

### Deep Cleaning

- Brush off dust and dirt with a soft brush. NEVER brush with stiff brushes since this can damage the fabric finish.
- Remove the roof fabric from the parasol.
- Prepare a solution of something like bleach or "Vanish Oxi Action" in warm water (no more than 30°C).
- Scrub with a soft brush, allowing the solution to penetrate the fabric.
- You may need to change the water and repeat if necessary.
- Ensure that all the product is rinsed from the fabric put on a gentle machine was on a Gentle Machine wash with cold water and laundry detergent.
- Let air dry and do not close the parasol until the canvas is completely dry.



## WARRANTY

INSTASHADE PARASOLS ECLIPSE, AURORA, NOVA ALL COME WITH THE FOLLOWING WARRANTIES:

- 3 year NO FADE olefin canvas
- 10 year NO FADE on acrylic (Eclipse/Nova)

The warranty covers faulty materials and faulty workmanship only. Wind damage is not covered by this warranty.

### WARRANTY TERMS:

- This warranty does not cover damage caused by wind or adverse weather conditions, fair wear and tear, accidents or misuse.
- This warranty is valid only if the parasol is installed and operated as per the instructions in this manual.
- This is a back base warranty. In the case of repairs to the parasol being required (regardless of whether the repairs are covered under warranty) the cost of transportation to/from Instashade Ltd. is to be paid by the claimant.
- Installation fittings and spigots are made using galvanised steel. Rust is a natural part of the aging process of all steel, based materials and is therefore not considered a defect and is not covered under warranty.
- This warranty is given by Instashade Ltd. No person has the authority to change or add to these obligations and liabilities without Instashade Ltd. approval in writing.
- Instashade Ltd. reserves the right to determine whether fault is caused by faulty workmanship, faulty materials or that any part is defective. Where fault is determined, we reserve the right to repair or replace products at our discretion.
- Instashade Ltd. or its authorised agent may offer advice but accepts not responsibility as to the ultimate positioning of the parasol. In the case of installations, the owner is to ascertain position of all underground pipes and electrical wires and notify the installer of any obstacles. Although all care will be taken, no responsibility can be accepted for any damage during installation.
- Any parasol repair, hardware replacement or fabric replacement supplied under the warranty is covered for the time remaining in the original warranty and does not activate a new warranty period.
- This warranty applies to the original purchaser only.

### FABRIC WARRANTY TERMS:

#### Our solution dyed acrylic fabrics are guaranteed against:

- Rot or significant loss of strength from normal usage and exposure conditions. It does not apply against any deterioration of any kind due to wind or weather-related damage, misuse, burns, negligence, vandalism, perforations or stains due to environmental pollution and fair wear and tear.
- Loss of colour. Our acrylic canvas fabric is warranted to remain colour-fast to a rating of 7-8 on a 1-8 scale (meaning minimum fading).
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