

# 2-Bike Hitch Rack

Item 98019

#### INSTRUCTIONS AND PRECAUTIONS



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When unpacking, make sure that the product is intact and undamaged. If any parts are missing or broken, please call 1-800-444-3353 as soon as possible.

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#### **Specifications**

Maximum Weight Capacity	100 lbs		
Bike Capacity	2		
Holding Mechanism	Thermoplastic Bike Holders, Hook & Loop Straps		
Hitch Classes	Used with Class I, II, III, IV Hitches		
Swing-down feature	For opening hatches		

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#### **Important Safety Information**

- 1. Assemble only according to these instructions. Improper assembly can create hazards.
- 2. Wear ANSI-approved safety goggles and heavy-duty work gloves during assembly.
- 3. Keep assembly area clean and well lit.
- 4. Keep bystanders out of the area during assembly.
- 5. Do not assemble when tired or when under the influence of drugs or medication.
- 6. Do not exceed 55 MPH with Carrier attached.
- Contact the Department of Transportation (DOT) and check local regulations for laws regarding the installation and use of this bike rack.
- 8. This product is not a toy. Do not allow children to play with or on this item.
- 9. Use for intended purpose(s) only.
- 10. Inspect before use; do not use if parts are loose or damaged.
- Maintain product labels and nameplates. These carry important safety information. If unreadable or missing, contact Harbor Freight Tools for a replacement.

#### Instructions



Read the <u>ENTIRE</u> INSTRUCTIONS AND PRECAUTIONS section at the beginning of this document including all text under subheadings therein before set up or use of this product.

## **Assembly**

- Slide the Hitch End of the Linker (1) into the vehicle's trailer hitch and lock with a steel pin. See Figure 1.
- 2. Install the Support Column (2) to the upright part of the Linker (1) and secure with a Bolt (5), Nut (7) and two Washers (6), through the bottom hole and the Hitch Pin (4) through the upper hole. When the back hatch or tailgate has to be accessed, pull the Hitch Pin (4) out and swing the rack downward, pivoting at the bolt directly below the Hitch Pin (4).
- 3. Hold the two Bike Rack (3) sections over the upper end of the Support Column (2) aligning the bolt holes. Secure this with two Bolts (5), four Washers (6) and two Nuts (7).
- 4. Double check all nuts and bolts, making sure they are all tight.

## **Operation**

Note: This rack is designed to hold up to two bikes.

- . Make sure that the holders are facing upwards. Open the straps and place the bicycle's cross-bar onto the holders. Close the straps over the bike, pressing the straps together for a secure hold. Place the second bike facing in the opposite direction and secure it with the hook & loop straps as well.
- The Thermoplastic Holders keep the bike(s) in position, preventing them from sliding back and forth, causing damage. The straps keep the bikes from bumping out of the holders.

**Note:** It is recommended that if you plan to carry only one bike, you can place it in the position closest to the vehicle.

#### **Parts List and Diagram**

Part	Description	Qty				
1	Linker	1				
2	Support Column	1				
3	Support Column Bike Rack	2				
4	Hitch Pin	1	A			
5	Bolt	3	San TE	M.		
6	Washer	6			_8	
7	Self Locking Nut	3	X			
8	Holder	4		1		
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**Note:** If product has no serial number, record month and year of purchase instead.

**Note:** Some parts are listed and shown for illustration purposes only, and are not available individually as replacement parts.

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