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Frequently Asked Questions

What is the difference between a freeform stretch Marquee, Tent and a Canopy?

Freeform Tents differ dramatically from Standard PVC or clearspan peg and pole structures and Marquees. The 100% waterproof BEDOUINFLEX™ two-way stretch fabric used in Freeform Tents enables us to shape and design a solution uniquely suited to each event. Re-determining a particular space is simply a matter of repositioning poles within the tent to provide a graceful and attractive solution to suit any outdoor site.

Freeform Tents and Freeform Marquees are generally larger freestanding structures while canopies are usually attached to an existing structure. Either way, a Freeform Tent or Stretch Tent can be transformed into a Canopy and a Canopy can be transformed into a tent (if size and site permit). We interchange the term Marquee and Tent to describe our freestyle structures based only on the function they are to be used for.

Clear span stretch marquees are also available for rental and sale. Ask us about further details of our “echidna” or stretchee pod marquee range.

Freeform Tents & Canopies are also not restricted to outside venues, our unique products can also transform indoor venues into a tented experience.

Indoor venues can also be transformed using one of our funky indoor stretch tents, or a selection of our other event décor items.

Can I erect a tent in a variety of shapes and sizes?

Yes! We use the name freeform, freestyle or stretch tent to describe the unique ability to stretch and shape the tent to the suit individual sites or clients requirements.

Larger tents can be erected with sides up or down or a combination thereof. Poles can be moved around to accommodate numbers and create different shapes. Canopies can be wrapped around trees, rocks and walls – and erected with or without poles. There literally isn't a space that a Freeform tent won't transform into a viable entertainment zone!

What type of fabric is it?

Tents are made out of our range of two-way 100% waterproof BEDOUINFLEX™ stretch fabric specially developed by us for this application.

The range of BEDOUINFLEX™ fabric all contain a UV Absorber to prevent fading and a non toxic microbial treatment to ensure the fabric is anti-fungal and bacteria resistant to provide the longest lasting stretch tent solution in the market. The fabric is incredibly strong with a two tonne breaking strain at any point, yet provides greater stretch than any comparable product.

BEDOUINFLEX™ is also the only stretch fabric designed in Australia to specifically meet the local climate conditions and rigorous fire, structural and safety standards. The additional unique feature of this fabric is its 100% recovery. BEDOUINFLEX™ fabric completely retains its original shape. This means poles can be removed or repositioned to achieve a completely unique shape every time without the dimple effect common to other inferior products.

There are 3 different grades of fabric within the BEDOUINFLEX™ fabric range -

- BEDOUINFLEX™,
- BEDOUINFLEX™ twice
- BEDOUINFLEX™ trevira

BEDOUINFLEX™ is our flagship product. It is a single ply two-way stretch nylon filament fabric with a 100% waterproof coating, providing a hydrostatic head greater than 3000mm applied to a single outer side of the fabric. BEDOUINFLEX™ fabric is incredibly strong with a tensile warp breaking strength in excess of 3 Ton.

BEDOUINFLEX™ is the embodiment of textile elasticity; the brand stands out for its exceptional stretchability, elastic recovery and great durability. The inner side of the BEDOUINFLEX™ fabric provides for a lovely soft fabric draped effect, saving on costly silk or fabric linings usually required within standard PVC marquees. The revolutionary outer waterproof coating ensures you will stay dry and warm in any weather. Machine washable and dryable, to 95 degrees C, BEDOUINFLEX™ can also be dry or steam cleaned. With built in FR BEDOUINFLEX™ has been tested and certified to Australian Standards AS.1530 part 2 and part 3

BEDOUINFLEX™ twice is a revolutionary double strength fabric based on our standard proven flagship BEDOUINFLEX™ fabric. Using the same two-way stretch nylon filament we have applied our revolutionary 100% waterproof coating to both sides of the fabric. This provides a more durable and longer lasting fabric. Improved durability of the BEDOUINFLEX™ twice fabric is also combined with the additional benefit of easy wipe off cleaning. 100% waterproof, 100% fire resistant, and incredibly durable BEDOUINFLEX™ twice is ideal for larger tents, semi-permanent applications or for use in our clear span range of marquees and custom structures.

BEDOUINFLEX™ trevira is a higher FR alternative to our flagship BEDOUINFLEX™ and BEDOUINFLEX™ twice. Available in both the twice and single coated versions BEDOUINFLEX™ trevira is certified to British Standards: BS 5651: 1989 and BS 7837:1996 and the European and German standard DIN.4102 B1

Is there a maximum or minimum size?

Currently our largest single sized freeform tent in the rental stock is 30m x 20m, though should your event require it we can manufacture larger tents (up to 100m x 30m). Where a larger tent is required, we can also join multiple tents together as required. Our smallest rental tent is 4.5m x 6m though smaller tents are available for purchase. All tents are manufactured in Australia and adhere to the strictest quality control standards.

Clear span “echidna” or stretchee pod marquees can be made in spans from 3m to 40m – and are modular so can be made to any length you require.

Are tents and canopies waterproof?

The BEDOUINFLEX™ fabric is the only 100% waterproof stretch fabric on the market today. Other lower cost imitators are either shower proof or made from layers of low stretch fabrics that do not provide the same dramatic stretch shapes uniquely available to Bedouin Freeform Tents.

All seams on both our freeform tents and stretchee pods are both stitched and welded to ensure they are both 100% waterproof and the strongest possible product in the market.

How do you fix the tents to a structure?

This depends on the site the tent will be rigged at, but we usually use a combination of weights, bolts and sail hooks, rope, pegs and aluminium poles.

What are the standard colour options?

White, Light Grey, Dark Grey, Sand, Burnt Orange, Red, Blue, Yellow, Black, Forrest Green and Lime.

Custom colours can also be produced to suit.

BEDOUINFLEX™ is also available in a range of translucent coated coloured fabrics. These provide a near opaque fabric ideal for stage covers or where a light box effect is required.

Does your fabric meet fire regulations?

Bedouin Freeform Tents are the only supplier to conform to both Australian fire standards AS1530.2 and AS1530.3, European standards DIN.4102 & BS.7837 and US standards.

Can I brand my tent?

Absolutely! As all Bedouin freeform tents are manufactured in Australia. We are the only company that locally produce's our freeform tents with the option for full colour branding of any size.

There are three standard options available:

Manual Application – Full colour reproduction

Screen printing - Traditional single colour screen printing

Laser Printing - Full colour photographic quality image printing

Can I have a customised shape or structure manufactured?

Bedouin Freeform Tents and the first and only manufacturer of Freeform styled tents in Australasia. With the most experience in erecting customising and manufacturing freeform tents we are the only company internationally to be able to offer customised solutions.

We provide a one stop design shop for any custom solution from a 3m x 3m point of presence up to clear span structures 40m in width. With the ability to design integrated floors, glass or hard walls in combination with clear span structures we can provide a unique and customised solution for any event.

Can Freeform Tents be used inside?

Freeform Tents can often be erected inside venues to transform them into a fully tented experience. However we also stock a broad range of lycra structures designed specifically for indoor events.

With our custom design facilities we can manufacture indoor structures and solutions to transform any venue.