

Penobscot Bay Porch Swings

Hanging Instructions for the Camden, York Harbor and Bar Harbor

Congratulations on the purchase of your Penobscot Bay Porch Swing! We hope it will become a favorite place to relax in your home.

Materials Required

- 2 Eye Bolts/Hooks with a weight load of 250-300lbs each
- 4 S-Hooks with a weight load of 250-300lbs
- 2 lengths of chain **Height of your Ceiling - 56" = chain length required**

Hanging Instructions

1. The swing itself weighs 50 pounds and we recommend a total weight load limit of 500 lbs or less.
2. We do not provide hardware for hanging the swing as every setting is slightly different. Select your hardware and supporting beam with a weight load limit of 250-300lbs for each end. Many large home supply stores will sell hardware specific for hanging a porch swing. An eye bolt or hook with a 250-300 weight load limit will also work to hang the swing.
3. The following websites also offer some excellent options for hardware to hang your swing.
 - www.swingbrackets.com
 - www.backyardcity.com
 - www.byoswingset.com
4. Select the location for your swing. Your swing has a hammock type motion so you need to allow for space behind your swing as well as on the ends. Allow at least 2 feet behind your swing and 1 foot on each end. There is some wiggle room with this but in order to avoid the swing from hitting it is best to allow room. Also if you have children they love to get the swings going.
 - Large Swing –Hooks placed 39" from wall
 - Small Swing- Hooks place 36" from wall

5. When installing the hardware it is best to have them placed approximately 78" apart for the larger swing and 68" for the smaller swing. If needed the hooks can be placed farther apart, up 86" for the larger swing and 76" for the smaller swing. It is best not to place the hooks at a shorter distance than the length of the swing as the swing will not hang properly.
 - Large Swing- Hooks placed 78"-86" apart
 - Small Swing- Hooks Placed 68"-76" apart
6. We then use S-Hooks and chain to obtain the appropriate height of the swing. Once again make sure the chain and S hooks meet the adequate weight load limit. Most people like the seat at approximately 22" high. Use a level to set your swing.
7. The lines used in the swings are Dacron and if they begin to come apart or fray the ends can be "melted" using butane lighter or match. DO NOT CUT THE LINES WITHOUT MELTING THE ENDS OR THEY WILL UNRAVEL.
8. The front flaps of the swing need to be tightened by pulling up the corner lines taught retying the knot. **When your swing arrives these will not be tight.** Sunbrella has a tendency to stretch so you may need to do this on a regular basis depending on swing usage.
9. If you purchased a Bar Harbor or a York Harbor you will need to lace up the wind protector back.
 - The grommet holes are placed so that the holes in the end pieces are higher than the holes in the back. This allows for upward tension.
 - Lace the back corners of the swing from the bottom up ending at the last grommet hole on the back. **Tie a square knot in front of the last grommet on the back.** This knot will prevent the back from sliding down.
 - Bring the line through the last grommet hole on the end piece and tie a square knot in the back.
 - This area may well require tightening at times as well due to stretch.
 - Remember the back of the York Harbor and the Bar Harbor is designed as a wind protector/sun shield and is not designed to lean against. The best way to get support from this swing is to put your feet up and lean against the ends of the swing.

If you have any other questions or concerns please feel free to call us at 207-729-1616 or email pbporchswing@comcast.net.