YETI MEGA TREE TOPPERS

BOOM BABY!

You just bought a Yeti™ Topper and saved a ton of moola on your new mega tree! Say goodbye to expensive and unsightly nuts and bolts and give your tree the look it deserves with it's patent-pending Strip Slots™. Below is a guide to get your new Yeti™ up and running.

1. Yeti tree toppers are designed to use a 1/2"-2" galvanized threaded floor flange. You'll want to buy two of the same size, so the holes line up when mounting to both sides of the plate. Your flange size does not necessarily need to match your base pole size. You may add a reducing coupler to your larger center pole, then add precut (6", 12", 18", 24", 36" etc.) threaded nipples to attach your Yeti topper and Star topper. Your pole can be static or incorporate a telescoping "ASAP" pole design. The Yeti comes primed, but feel free to mount your flanges then spray paint green/black/white to match your desired look. A 5'- 8' diameter trampoline ring (check fb marketplace!) is commonly used as a base ring to attach your strips to create your cone-shaped mega tree.

2. To assemble your YETI mega tree, first push all of your pixels into your mega tree mounting strips and **be sure to leave 6-8" of excess strip on the bottom of each strip** to allow adjustments for your bungee tension on individual strips. **IMPORTANT: You must leave at least 2"-3" of empty holes at the top of each strip** to allow for installation of your strips into your Snow Leopard. The Strip Slot design allows the tightest possible grouping of top pixels - your top row of pixels should all be almost touching the bottom of the plate. Excess strip above the topper can be cut after installation, or folded-in and zip tied into a cone for an aesthetic daytime appeal. This hides your tree star post and creates a more natural look to your mega tree.
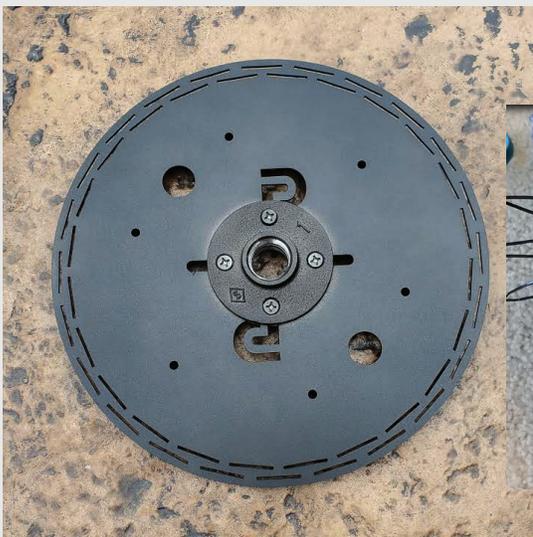
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CAUTION:

*** BEFORE SECURING YOUR STRIPS TO YOUR YETI, DETERMINE IF YOU WILL BE SECURING YOUR STRIPS TO THE TOPPER <u>PRIOR TO OR AFTER</u> ATTACHING YOUR YETI TO YOUR CENTER POLE. THIS ALL DEPENDS ON THE WEIGHT OF YOUR STRIPS, YOUR OWN PERSONAL STRENGTH, AND WHETHER OR NOT YOU HAVE ACCESS TO A LIFT, LADDER, AND HELP FROM OTHERS. *** DO SO AT YOUR OWN RISK ***

3. It is recommended to start on one slot then **alternate outer-inner rows in one direction.** This ensures more working room for pushing your zip ties. **NOTE:** If you are connecting your pixels into multiple strands on your mega tree, please <u>MAKE SURE the correct male/female pigtail ends are alternated before inserting into your topper</u>. ***Always insert your 4" zip tie through a center hole first and then back out through a side hole.*** During this process, you may find that <u>temporarily removing the top pixel in each strip can help if you feel a bit cramped</u>. **NOTE:** Some manufacturers of mega tree mounting strips do not include the smaller zip tie holes (Boscoyo). For those, you will just use a larger zip tie through a center hole (reinforced with a washer or rivet) to mount the mega tree strip to the topper. Below is a diagram of how to best push your zip ties through the zip tie holes. NOTE: If adding more than 200 pixels per strip, it is a good idea to reinforce your zip tie holes by folding over your strips or adding reinforcing material like washers or MISR clips.

ALWAYS START BY PUSHING THROUGH THE CENTER HOLE, THEN PULLLING OUT THROUGH A SIDE HOLE
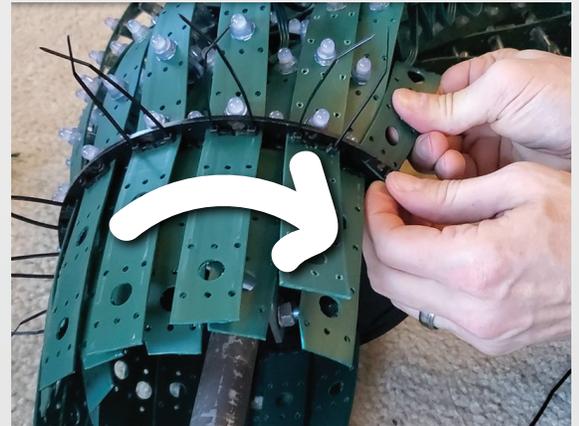
4. Once all of your strips are pushed and secured, trim your zip ties before mounting your YETI to your center pole. A zip tie gun is handy for setting consistent tension on all cables while also simultaneously cutting the excess. For the next step - if your tree is 10' or less, lay your center pole horizontally, preferably elevated (chairs, sawhorses), for trees greater than 10', it is recommended to mount your center pole vertically and assemble your topper using a lift or ladder.

5. Thread your YETI topper onto your center pole. **NOTE:** If using an ASAP pole you can simply spin your center pole freely into your YETI without having to spin the YETI at all. Attach your strips and star topper if you have not yet already done so. Consider using cables or zip ties and washers to secure the outer arms of your star to the YETI to prevent your star from twisting due to strong winds. Now secure your center pole and begin attaching your strips to your tree ring. This is commonly done with bungee balls or zip ties.

6. Guy Wires - There are 6 holes designed to install eye bolts to attach guy wire cabling. Geometrically, adding three wires in an equal triangular shape is most effective- **DO NOT** assume a single guy wire or just two will adequately support your tree, as winds can shift during weather events and stress can occur. For 180-270 degree trees, there is unequal weight distribution that can be corrected by the use of cabling and turnbuckles. Throughout the season, it is important to check the tension of your guy wires often. They only serve their purpose if they are correctly installed and have proper tension.

Your install is finished! Whew! Now crack a cold one and bask in the glory of your new YETI! Don't forget to snap a pic and tag us on Facebook or Instagram to spread the Yeti™ sightings! For smaller YETI's, you may choose to store your strips still connected to your topper. This will make setup the following year a breeze!

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