

## Cleaning and waterproofing the VAUDE canopy

Clean and maintain the canopy twice a year in spring and fall. This will significantly extend its service life.

### 1. Preparation

For heavy soiling:

- Soak the canopy in **lukewarm water** (e.g., in the bathtub).
- **Do not use regular cleaning or washing detergents.**
- **Never put the canopy in the washing machine!**

### 2. Cleaning

After soaking:

- Rub the dirty areas with a **solution of Nikwax Tech Wash and water.**
- Use a **very soft brush, sponge, or cloth.**
- Let it sit for **5 minutes**, then wipe with a **damp cloth.**
- Rinse the cloth thoroughly and frequently.

For light soiling:

- Wipe gently with a damp cloth.
- For tougher stains: use a little more water and pressure.

### 3. Waterproofing

After cleaning:

- Treat with **Nikwax Tent & Gear SolarProof** and water.
- Products are available at your local dealer.

#### Application:

- The canopy does **not need to be dry.**
- Spray the product evenly on the **outside surface.**
- Recommended amount: **approx. 50 ml per m<sup>2</sup>.**
- Wipe off any excess with a damp cloth.
- Let it sit for a few minutes, check again, and remove any remaining excess.

#### Drying:

- Allow the canopy to **air dry completely.**