

BACKPACK MANUAL

OVERVIEW KOALA





4954 **Koala II incl. Raincover** 1800 dark red/ anthracite

KOALA II

Congratulations on your purchase of a SALEWA Pack. We want to be sure that you understand and utilize your new SALEWA pack in the best way.

Following you will find a description of all functions the Pack is offering.



TREKKING CUSTOM FIT CARRYING SYSTEM



ANATOMICALLY SHAPED SHOULDER STRAPS & HIPBELT

Ensures a women/men specific fit and makes it well suited for long alpine trekking trips.



LOAD LIFTER STRAPS Ensure optimal back fit

CARRYING ADJUSTMENT

Easy adjust carrying system for an individualized fit

PRESHAPED HIPFIN

The recess in the fin guarantees a snug fit and a great load transfer.

FEATURES

Inner pocket for values



Load control strap Pull the load control straps tight to stabilize your pack.

Sternum Strap

Slide the strap in the middle of your sternum to stabilize the pack to your body. The elastic strap promotes effective breathing and a snug fit.





Raincover

Unzip the raincover compartment on the base of the pack and pull the raincover over the top. After use, unfasten and remove the raincover to dry it properly.



On the go mesh side pockets

Slanted mesh side pockets for quick and easy access to important items without having to remove your pack.



Hip belt pocket

Valuables such as money, camera and mobile are well taken care of here.

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1. | MAIN BENEFITS

We seek to design the best-possible solutions for mountain enthusiasts based on our philosophy of creating strong ϑ light products.

We understand our users' needs and provides the right features and benefits for them to enjoy their adventures:

Strength & durability

Our design team carefully analyses the exact functions of each part of a backpack to define performance requirements, select an optimum combination of materials and engineer the strongest gear for the longest use.

Lightweight design

Our sophisticated design solutions use the best materials to minimize weight. Lightweight fabrics, buckles, straps and accessories also help keep weight down.

Optimal load distribution

SALEWA trekking backpacks are fitted with Custom FIT and Custom FIT PRO carrying systems. Their easy-adjust torso lengths, mean that even heavy loads can be carried comfortably for long periods. For optimal load distribution, ensure that the carrying system is properly adjusted, including the load control straps. In addition, make sure your pack is set up correctly, both horizontally and vertically.

Ventilation

Sweating cools down the body via evaporation. Conventional backpacks stop this happening as their back panels prevent the ventilation sweat requires to evaporate. The wet back panels mean you get chilled. All SALEWA backpack back panels are designed to ensure good ventilation.

2.| CARRYING SYSTEMS

SALEWA has two different carrying systems. Depending on size and area of use, its backpacks are equipped with an AIR FIT or a CONTACT FIT system. Our AIR FIT system maximizes ventilation and minimizes the backpack surface in contact with the body; the CONTACT FIT system keeps the load barycentre of the backpack close to the body for maximum control on ascents and provides good ventilation through its air channels.

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3. ADJUSTING YOUR BACKPACK

How to get the best fit:

- 1. Loosen all straps (shoulder straps, load control straps, waist belt, compression straps) before you load the pack.
- 2. If your backpack has a back regulation system, follow the instructions in the table to identify your torso length and set the correct back length.

torso measurement	fixed back length size	CUSTOM FIT PRO back length male	CUSTOM FIT PRO back length female
38/40cm	SHORT		SHORT
40/45cm		SHORT	MEDIUM
45/50cm	REGULAR	MEDIUM	LARGE
50/53cm		LARGE	

- 3. Pull in the waist belt so that it sits just above the pelvis. Make sure that your iliac crest is centred between the waist belt padding. Close the buckles. Secure the loose ends of the straps.
- 4. Tighten (but don't overtighten) the shoulder straps until the carrying system meets the back. The attachment point of the shoulder straps should be about one inch below the seventh vertebra (C7). If necessary, readjust the back length.
- 5. If your pack has them, tighten the load control straps at the top of the shoulder straps.
- 6. Close and adjust the length of the chest (sternum) strap, and make sure it sits at the right height (at your sternum). A snug fit will help stabilise the pack. Take care not to create pressure points.
- 7. Check the load control straps again and ensure that your shoulder straps fit snugly around your shoulders.

4.] PACKING YOUR BACKPACK

We recommend that you never pack more than 70% of your pack's volume. The extra room will come in useful if you have to unpack the contents and quickly pack them again.

- Space is limited, so it makes sense to pack systematically. This also makes your pack easier to carry. We recommend packing as follows: store lighter items, such as your sleeping bag and reserve clothes at the bottom; keep heavy items such as your cooking equipment or tent in the area of your upper back.
- Store valuable item such as documents, money, keys etc. in the dedicated pocket.
- Pack items you want close to hand at the top or in outside pockets: extra clothing, water bottle, maps, compass, snacks, etc.
- Fasten longer items, such as tent poles or trekking poles, to the side of the pack using the compression straps – and store the loose ends away in the side pockets. If required, large and bulky items (sleeping mat, tent, etc.) can be attached on the outside using compression straps.
- Store your cooking equipment, food, spare clothing and other items in the main compartment. Keep your most frequently used gear close to the top. Less frequently used kit (e.g. bivouac sack) can stay at the bottom.
- The separate bottom compartment is meant for your lighter items, such as your sleeping bag or spare base layers.

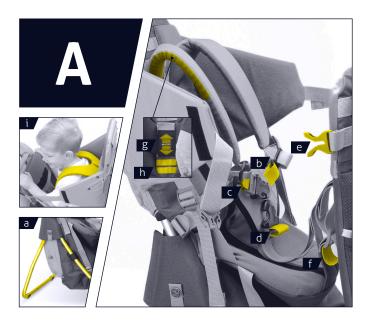
5.| CARE AND MAINTENANCE

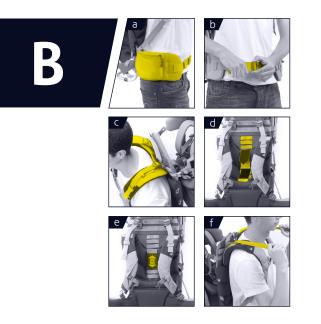
Backpacks do not need much care and maintenance. Stains can be cleaned off with water. Lubricate the zippers occasionally with silicone or oil. Although, if you use your pack in dusty areas, don't use silicone or oil as they attract dust. If your zippers stick, clean them with an old toothbrush.

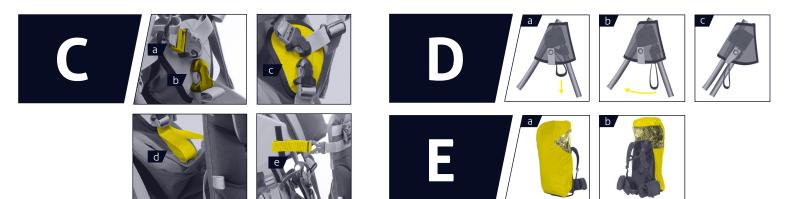
6.| CONTACT

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Please remember: This child carrier is designed solely for the transport of children by adults.

Do not leave your child unattended in this carrier. Do not use until the child is old enough to sit up unaided. The child's head can be higher than the adult's when sitting in the carrier. Pay attention to hazards such as door frames, low tree branches, etc. Adults should be aware of the following when using the carrier: A body movement by the child or the adult can cause the adult carrying the child to lose balance. The adult carrying the child must move particularly cautiously when bending over. This carrier is designed for leisure activities, not for sports activities. Be extra careful when when putting on the carrier or removing it. This carrier is only suitable for small children who weigh up to 15 kg max. and are not taller than 105 cm. Additional load of max. 4 kg allowed. Ensure that the child is properly strapped in as soon as he/she is sitting in the carrier, and that all straps and belts have been adjusted in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Sitting for a long time in the carrier is tiring for a child and can impair blood circulation. It is recommended to take frequent breaks. Be aware that a child in the carrier can suffer from the effects of the weather and temperature before you do. On very hot days the exposed metal parts of the carrier can become so hot that the child in the carrier can suffer burns, likewise on very cold days the metal parts are a hazard. Do not place the carrier on a table or bench. Ensure to avoid injuring the child's foot when the carrier is on or close to the ground. Only use accessories and replacement parts from the manufacturer, and purchase them through your specialist retailer.

A Setting up the child's seat:

For the child's optimal safety and comfort, set up the child carrier as described below. Check the individual steps when placing your child carefully in the carrier. Take the child out of the carrier before continuing.

- Open out the metal stand (a) and set the carrier down on level ground. Make sure it is sitting stable on the ground.
- 2. Loosen the belts (b), (c), (d), (e),...
- Adjust the seat height with the central adjustment at the sliding buckle.
 (f) The seat height is optimal when the back of the child's head is on the level of the neck padding. Please remember: Thread the belt back through the sliding buckle (f) so that the seat position does not slip out of place.

- 4. Now adjust the height of the shoulder belt. To do this, loosen the shoulder belt's central Velcro fastener (g) and pull the Velcro tab out from the holding loop (h). Insert the Velcro tab at the desired height, starting from below and passing through 2 of the holding loops, and then close the Velcro tab again.
- 5. The child's shoulder belt is at the correct height when the shoulder harness fully hugs the child's shoulders and the centre part of the belt rests between the shoulder blades (i).

B Correct adjustment of the carrier's back support system.

- 1. For best results, only load the carrier with a realistic weight. When you place your child in the carrier, ensure the child is correctly strapped and buckled in.
- 2. First loosen all straps on the carrying system, then put it on your back.
- 3. The hip belt should sit centred on the hip bone (Fig. a) and clasp it snugly.
- 4. Close the hip belt and draw it snug tight (Fig. b).
- 5. Draw the shoulder belt only lightly tight, so that the weight of the rucksack is still on your hips.
- 6. The shoulder pad yoke should lie between the shoulder blades and the shoulder harness should enclose the shoulders snugly. (Fig. c). If this is not the case, you need to adjust the back length:
- 7. To do so, open the Velcro tab and pull it out from the multi-fit ladder.
- 8. Slide the lower Velcro tab in at the desired height, and tug the carrying system down as far as it will go (Fig. d).
- 9. Then thread the upper Velcro tab into the ladder again two rungs further up.
- 10. The carrying system is fixed into position by closing the Velcro fastener. (Fig. e.)
- 11. The load control strap (the strap on top of the shoulder harness, see Fig. f) should run upwards at an angle of 40-50°: Thread the load control strap into the correct slide buckle. Use the lower slide buckles to adjust the lower positions of the shoulder belt. If the shoulder belt is fixed in a higher position, use the upper slide buckles.

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- 12. Now tug on the load control strap to get better contact between rucksack and back.
- 13. Close the chest strap when needed to get an optimal fit of the shoulder harness. The height of the chest strap can be adjusted individually.
- 14. When needed you can tug the load control strap taut at the hip belt: This improves stability on difficult terrain, however reduces mobility somewhat.

C How to secure the child correctly into the carrier:

- 1. When the carrier when has been properly adjusted, open the shoulder belts and place the child in it.
- 2. Place the shoulder harness around the child's shoulders.
- 3. Close the buckles (Fig. a and Fig. b) the precise design of buckle will depend on the model and might not look the same as in the diagrams.
- 4. Carefully tug the shoulder straps taut. There should be only the width of a finger between the shoulder straps and the body.
- 5. Slide the centre chest padding (Fig. c) to the desired height.
- 6. Carefully tug the centre strap until (Fig. d) taut. There should be only the width of a finger between the centre strap and the body.
- 7. Lock the side compression straps and carefully tug both compression straps taut (Fig. e)

D Putting on and removing the carrier: The child must be fully buckled in before putting on the carrier.

- 1. Carefully put on the carrier.
- 2. Check the carrier adjustments carried out in B: Most of the weight should be on the hips (2/3), with minimal weight on the shoulders.
- 3. Make any extra adjustments to the carrying system.

4. The metal stand is secured with a locking support to prevent it folding together by accident. To fold the metal stand together first release the locking supports by tugging on the loop, and hold this position (Fig. a). Only then can the metal stand be folded together (Fig. b, c). Ensure to follow the steps in this order as otherwise the locking supports can be damaged. When setting down the carrier fold the stand out again before letting it sit on the ground. The locking supports lock into place automatically when the stand is folded out.

E Use of the sun roof and rain cover

Please note! Use the sun roof and rain cover to protect your child from adverse weather such as direct sun and rain.

- 1. Pass the black rod at the back into the black sleeve close to the neck support, and the white rod into the matching white sleeve.
- 2. Fix the roof in position with the Velcro fastener.
- 3. Clip the elastic straps into the loops beside the chin guard.
- 4. When it is raining you can use the sun roof and rain cover combined: Follow points 1-3.
- 5. Pull the rain cover over the roof and secure by clipping the side elastic strap into the loops.

MAINTENANCE

Before each use, inspect the state of the frame, the belts, and the sewn seams on the carrying system. Pay attention to any cuts or abrasion, and do not hesitate to set a product aside if

it has any weaknesses. Ensure to avoid injuring the child's foot when the carrier is on or close to the ground.

Child carriers are generally quite easy to care for and clean. If the child carrier is wet, let it dry out thoroughly. Wipe off dirt with a wet cloth. Use a mild detergent solution for more resistant

dirt. Spray the zips with silicone from time to time. Then they will work without no problems for years.