

## SPRINTER VAN REAR TIRE CARRIER SP1117B



#### TOOLS REQUIRED (NOT INCLUDED)

9/16" WRENCH

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- 3/4" WRENCH
- 7/32" ALLEN KEY +
- 5MM ALLEN KEY +
  - RATCHET
- - 9/16" DEEP SOCKET
- 13/16" DEEP SOCKET
- 3/16" DRILL BIT
- 1/4" DRILL BIT +
- POWER DRILL +
  - AUTO PANEL REMOVAL TOOL
- +

#### **INSTALL INFO**

TIME TO INSTALL THIS PRODUCT: 1 HOUR Additional help is suggested for a few of the install steps.

#### **BEFORE YOU START**

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## **BEFORE YOU START**

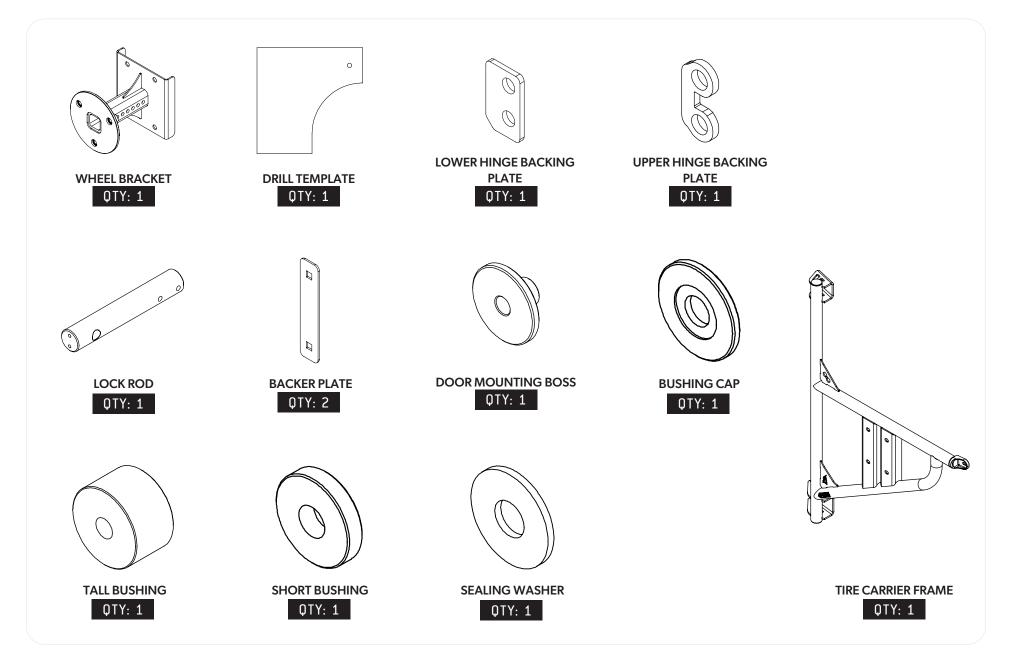
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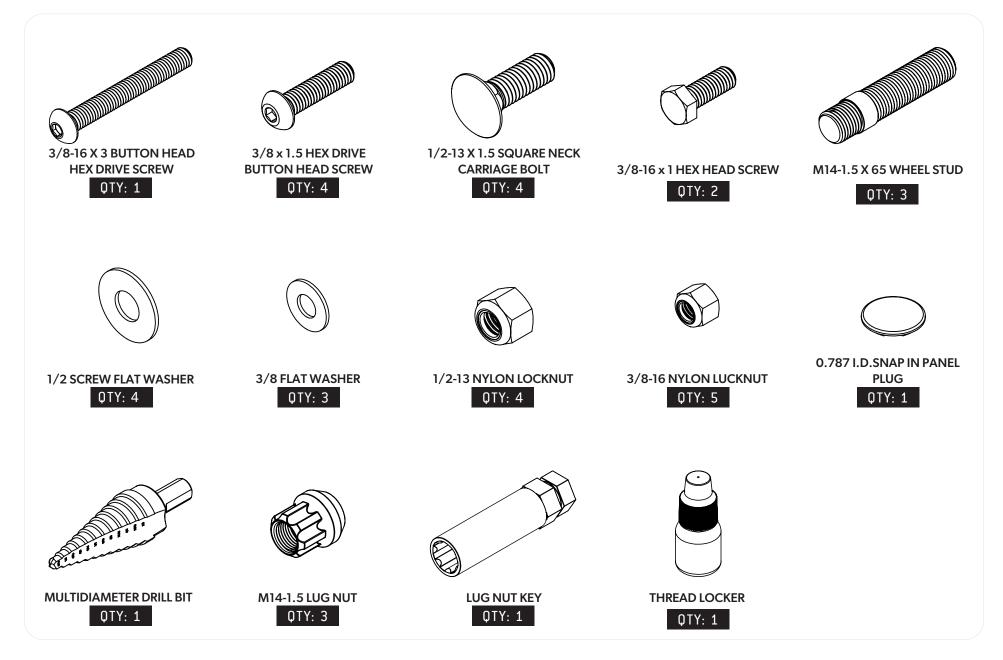
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# INSTALL

#### TOOLS REQUIRED FOR THIS STEP: + AUTO PANEL REMOVAL TOOL

#### **STEP | 01 LAYOUT AND INSTALL PREP**

**1.1 Door Panel Removal:** If applicable, start by removing the lower interior door panel **(FIG 1)** and any obstructions in the area shown in **FIG 2** (wires, insulation, etc.). We recommend using plastic panel removal tools (easily found at harbor freight or similar). Be gentle when prying as to not break the factory panel clips. Once you get the first few popped you should be able to pull it the rest of the way with your hands.

**NOTE-** You may have any number of different door configurations- stock full trim **(Pictured FIG 1)**, stock half trim, stock panel, upholstered wood, etc. Each require their own removal method. Please note that the panel-style trimmed door requires additional drilling and the use of the provided **panel plug (See Step 2.5).** 

**NOTE -** This product is compatible with 2019 and newer vans with 180-degree rear door hinges. If your van has 270-degree hinges, you'll need to have them swapped out for 180-degree hinges. You can find them available for purchase <u>here</u>.

**NOTE -** You may need to migrate the factory rubber bump stop from your original hinges to your new 180-degree hinges.

**NOTE-** Sometimes the clips will get stuck in the door. All you need to do is pop them out and slide them back in to their location on the trim panel.



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#### TOOLS REQUIRED FOR THIS STEP: + M

#### MARKER

- + 3/16" DRILL BIT
- + 1/4" DRILL BIT
  - 3/8" DRILL BIT
  - STEP BIT

#### **STEP | 02 DRILL THIRD MOUNT**

**2.1 Template Marking:** Align the drill template with the van's body lines and mark the spot as shown in **FIG 3**.

**2.2 Pilot Hole:** Drill a pilot hole through the first layer of metal using a **3/16" Drill Bit (FIG 4)**.

**NOTE -** This hole is sized to fit a 9/16" deep well socket to make fastening easier.

2.3 Drilling Steps: Drill through all with a 3/8" Drill Bit (FIG 5).

**2.4 Drill Out Third Mount:** Use a **Step Bit** to drill the outside hole to 5/8" to fit the **Door Mounting Boss** (do not install yet).

**PRO-TIP:** We like to mark the step bit as shown in **(FIG 6)** to avoid drilling too far.

**2.5 Panel Style Door Trim (If Applicable):** If you have the panel style door trim, drill through again using a **1/4" or similar sized bit** that is long enough to reach the sheet metal on the backside. Drill the inside hole out to 7/8" to fit the panel plug.









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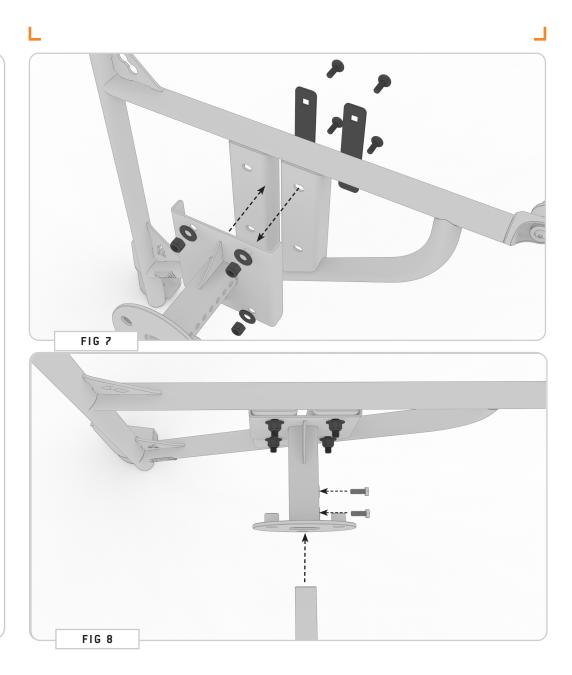
3/4" WRENCH OR SOCKET 9/16" WRENCH OR SOCKET

#### **STEP | 03 BRACKET ASSEMBLY**

3.1 Assemble the Tire Carrier: Attach the Wheel Bracket to the tire carrier frame using: (2) Backer Plates, (4) 1/2-13 X 1.5 Square Neck Carriage Bolts, (4) 1/2 Screw Flat Washers, And (4) 1/2-13 Nylon Insert Locknuts and a 3/4" Wrench or Socket.

**3.2 Lock Rod:** Fasten using **(2) 3/8-16 X 1 Hex Head Screws** and a **9/16" Wrench or Socket**. The depth is adjustable to suit your specific wheel setup.

**Optional:** If you have locking lug nuts, skip the lock rod installation for a clean look.



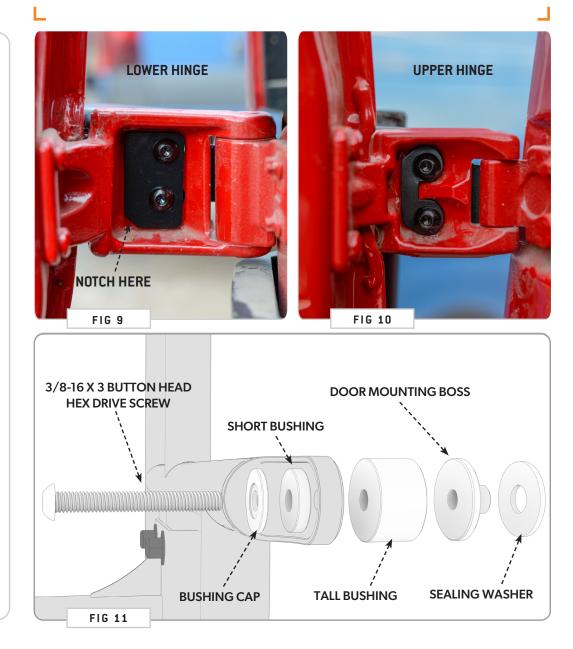
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#### **STEP | 04 VAN MOUNTS**

4.1 Hinge Backing Plates: Grab both hinge backing plates and (4) 3/8-16 X 1.5 Hex Drive Button Head Screws. Place them into the back of your 180 hinges as shown in FIG 9 and FIG 10.

4.2 Bushing Assembly for Third Mount: Gather 3/8-16 x 3" Button Head Hex Drive Screw, Bushing Cap, Short Bushing, Tall Bushing, Mounting Boss and Sealing Washer and assemble onto the carrier as shown in FIG 11.

**NOTE -** A second person is suggested to hold the carrier in place for the following steps.



TOOLS REQUIRED FOR THIS STEP: + 9/16

## + 9/16" DEEP SOCKET + 9/16" WRENCH + 7/32" ALLEN WRENCH

### **STEP | 05 SECURE CARRIER**

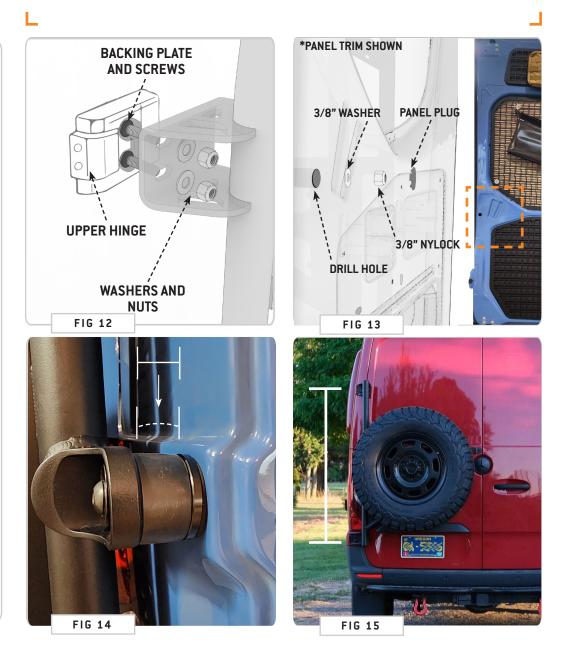
**5.1 Third Mount:** Holding up the assembled carrier to the door, insert the bushing assembly through the third mount hole to center the carrier while you secure it to the hinge mounts in the next step.

**5.2 Hinge Mount:** Fit the tire carrier onto the protruding hardware of the hinges and loosely secure with **(4) 3/8 Washers and Nylon Locknuts (FIG 12)**.

5.3 Secure Bushing Assembly: Using a 3/8" Flat Washer and 3/8" Nylon Locknut, tighten the Bushing Assembly with a 9/16" Socket and 7/32" Allen Wrench to the point where the tall bushing shows a slight compression (Shown in FIG 14).

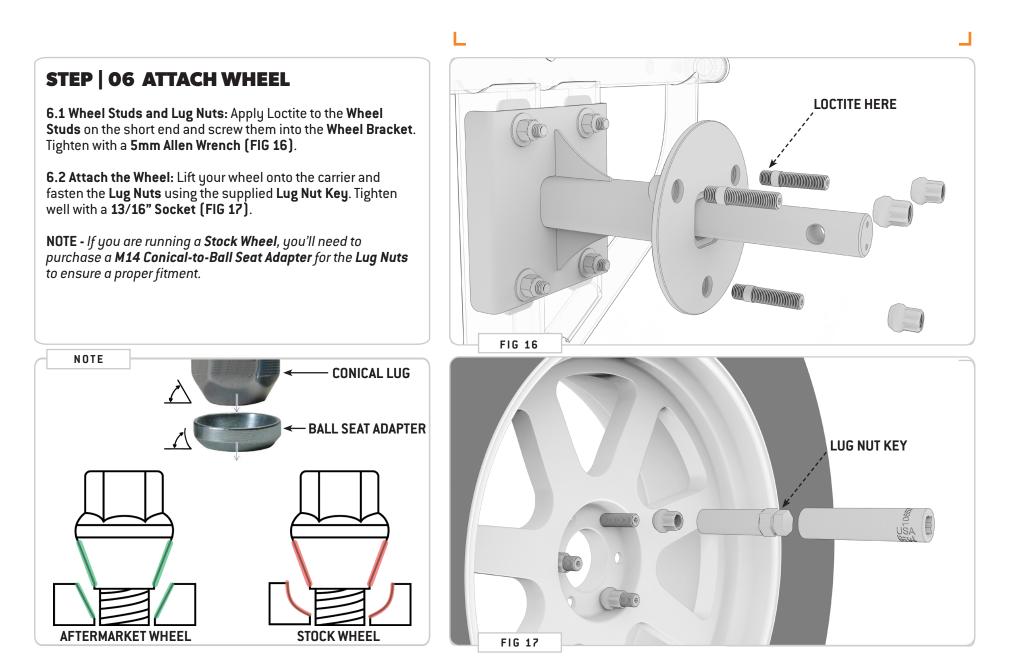
**PRO-TIP:** If you had to drill out the inside of your door to access the third mount hole, use a couple flathead screwdrivers to attach the **3/8**" **Washer** to the **3/8-16 x 3" Button Head Hex Drive Screw** before using the deep well socket to thread on your **3/8" Nylon Locknut (FIG 13)**.

**5.4 Alignment:** Align the tire carrier with the door/window body lines. Open the door to ensure the door stop on the lower hinge bracket engages the factory bump stop. Tighten all fasteners on the hinges **(FIG 15)**.



#### **TOOLS REQUIRED FOR THIS STEP: + 5MM ALLEN WRENCH**

13/16" SOCKET



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