

## Eriba Pan/Familia /Triton /Troll Roof Fitting Instructions

Please read these instructions through completely before starting work.

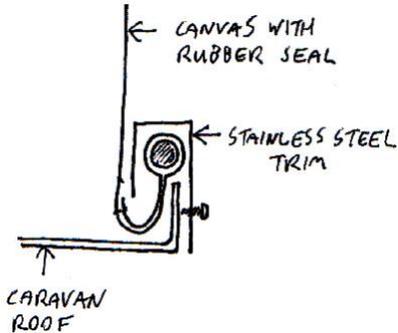
### Extra tools and materials you will need

Good quality fabric glue (e.g. Evostick Contact Adhesive or similar)  
Scalpel or sharp knife or thread unpicker  
Philips screwdriver  
Wide, flat screwdriver or thin lever  
Small mallet or large hammer  
G-clamps and small wooden blocks

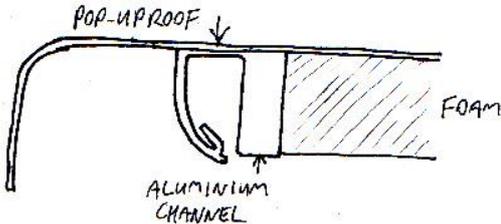
You do not need to unbolt the fibreglass roof from the caravan.

### Stage 1 – Removing the Old Canvas

Raise the roof up on its hinges, then unscrew the clamp hooks and wide stainless band that holds the bottom of the canvas to the top of the raised ridge of the caravan. Carefully note which way round the band and clamps were fitted. The band is made in two halves and may have plastic trims or covers over the joints and screw-heads, which will have to be carefully removed. Note how the canvas is retained by the stainless band.



Having released the bottom of the canvas, look at the top edge where the canvas is held to the lifting section of the roof by an aluminium channel, which is crimped over the canvas and needs to be gently prised open with the flat bladed screwdriver or lever to release the fabric. This diagram shows the shape of the channel.

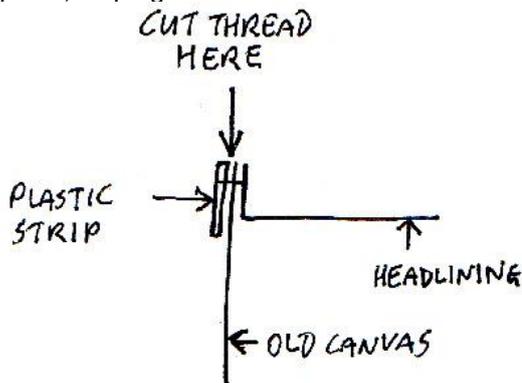


Just open it far enough to be able to pull the canvas out and be careful not to damage the bond between the aluminium channel and the fibreglass.

On earlier models the top edge of the canvas is stitched to a plastic or cardboard strip which is hooked into the aluminium channel. The vinyl roof lining is also stitched to the top of the canvas; be careful not to damage this.

Once the canvas is released all the way round, unpick or cut the stitching between the plastic strip and the canvas, which will release the canvas from the roof lining.

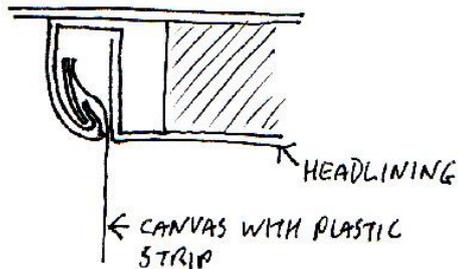
Apply contact adhesive to the inside edge of the aluminium trim and the edge of the roof lining and glue it back in place, keeping it taut.



Later models have a fixed rigid roof liner which is not attached to the top of the canvas, and the canvas incorporates a thicker rubber extrusion to hold it into the metal channel.

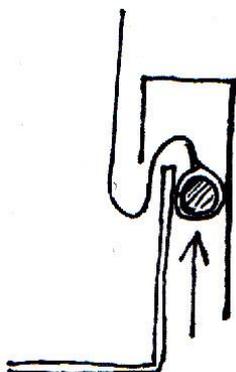
## Stage 2 – Fitting the New Canvas

Offer up the new canvas to the aluminium channel, making sure the plastic trim is to the outside. Also make sure you have the canvas the right way round with the vents to the front and back, and the joins lining up with the corners of the roof. Hook the plastic trim upwards and outwards using a screwdriver so it locates in the rebate of the aluminium channel.

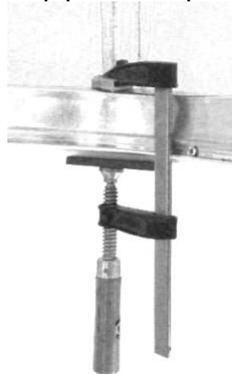


Hook the plastic trim in all the way around, retaining it as necessary by re-crimping small sections of the channel with a gentle tap of the hammer. Work your way around the roof, making sure the canvas is pushed right up into the channel and the plastic strip is located correctly. When you are happy with its position, re-crimp the aluminium channel all the way round.

You should now have the canvas hanging down and just overlapping the inside of the raised fibreglass upstand on the caravan body. Next take the stainless band and push it back in place over the canvas which will need to be curled upwards so that the band traps the canvas and rubber seal against the top edge of the fibreglass. Use a screwdriver to push the rubber seal up into the top of the stainless band.



As the stainless band is pushed into place the canvas is pulled taut and seen from the outside the stitch line should be more or less flat with the caravan roof. You can use the G-clamps and wooden blocks on the corners of the steel band to help pull it into place.



Refit the clamp hooks and any trim you had to remove to access the screws. Close the roof carefully ensuring the canvas does not catch on the frame.

## Looking After Your New Roof

Never fold the roof when it is damp. If this is unavoidable, open it again and allow it to dry at the earliest opportunity. Clean if necessary using detergent-free cleaner (anything designed for cleaning tents is fine).

These products are made by enthusiasts to keep older Eribas on the road!