

Yurt Company Comparison

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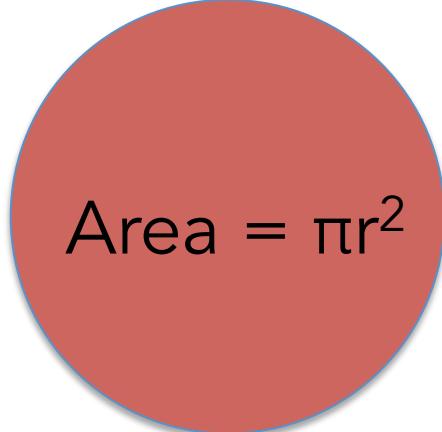


Major yurt manufacturers

Company	Location	Founded
Blue Ridge Yurts	Floyd, VA	2006
Colorado Yurt Company	Montrose, CO	1976
Nomad Shelter	Homer, AK	1995
Pacific Yurts	Cottage Grove, OR	1978
Rainier Yurts	Seattle, WA	2003
Shelter Designs	Missoula, MT	2005
Two Girls Farm & Yurts	Acworth, NH	1999
White Mountain Yurts	East Wakefield, NH	2008
Yurts of America	Indianapolis, IN	1989

Area of yurt by size (sqft.)

Yurt Diameter	Area (Square Feet)
12'	113
14'	154
16'	201
17'	227
18'	254
20'	314
21'	346
24'	452
25'	491
27'	572
30'	707
33'	855
35'	962
40'	1256



Area = πr^2



Yurt = awesome²

Yurt sizes offered (diameter)

Company	12'	14'	16'	17'	18'	20'	21'	24'	25'	27'	30'	33'	34'	35'	40'	50'
Blue Ridge Yurts			✓			✓		✓			✓					
Colorado Yurt Co.				✓			✓		✓		✓		✓			
Nomad Shelter	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓			✓		✓		✓	✓
Pacific Yurts	✓	✓	✓			✓		✓			✓					
Rainier Yurts				✓				✓	✓		✓	✓	✓			
Shelter Designs	✓		✓			✓		✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
Two Girls Farm & Yurts		✓		✓		✓				✓						
White Mountain Yurts			✓			✓		✓			✓					
Yurts of America		✓			✓		✓	✓			✓					

Base yurt prices by size (USD\$)

Company	12'	14'	16'	17'/ 18'	20'	21'	24'/ 25'	27'	30'	33'/ 34	35'	40'
Blue Ridge Yurts	-	-	6,999	-	8,499	-	10,399	-	12,590	-	-	-
Colorado Yurt	-	-	6,395	-	7,855	-	8,945	-	11,050	-	-	-
Nomad Shelter	5,000	7,245	8,505	9,593	11,025	-	13,650	-	17,850	21,000	-	27,825
Pacific Yurts	5,475	6,075	6,380	-	7,895	-	8,960	-	10,995	-	-	-
Rainier Yurts	-	-	6,535	7,350	-	8,270	9,240	10,685	11,755	18,960	-	-
Shelter Designs	5,460	-	6,560	-	7,995	-	9,650	10,750	11,930	-	15,995	23,100
Two Girls Farm	-	3,700	-	4,800	6,000	-	8,400	-	-	-	-	-
White Mountain Yurts	-	-	7,430	-	9,206	-	10,822	-	13,518	-	-	-
Yurts of America	-	5,832	6,124	-	7,579	-	8,601	-	10,555	-	-	-

These numbers represent the very cheapest yurt available in a given size. Standard features and specs differ from company to company, as well as the price of add-ons—it's necessary to consider wall height, insulation options, doors, windows, etc. that apply to your particular needs. Lucky for you, this information is on following slides. (Prices as of Feb. 2018)

**Rainier makes two distinct models—only one model has the 33' option; the other prices here are for sizes of the cheaper model

**Shelter Designs also makes two models—the prices here are for the cheaper model

Standard features & specs

Company	Door(s)	Window(s)	Wall Height	Center Ring Height	Skylight	Warrantied Roof Cover
Blue Ridge Yurts	1	3	7'4"**	7'	✓	Vanguard 8 years**
Colorado Yurt Co.	1	3	7'2"	12'10"	✓	ProStructure No warranty*
Nomad Shelter	1	4	7'****	12'6"	✓	Duro-Last 15 years
Pacific Yurts	1	2	7'	12'6"	✓	10 years
Rainier Yurts	1	3	7'4"	12'8"	✓	7-10 years
Shelter Designs	1	3	7'2"	12'6"	✓	ProShield 8 years***
Two Girls Farm & Yurts	1	0	5'	8'+	✓	Duro-Last 15 years
White Mountain Yurts	1	3	7'	12'5"	✓	Duro-Last 15 years
Yurts of America	1	3	~7'	12'6"	✓	Duro-Last 15 years

Note: Details based on the common 24' yurt size; or nearest smaller size if company doesn't make 24'.

* Colorado Yurt Company offers upgrade to Duro-Last with 15-year warranty for \$575

** Blue Ridge Yurts have 7' walls and have a 10' option on the 30' yurt. Their Duro-Last roof has a 15-year warranty for \$520.

*** Shelter Designs offers Duro-Last roof cover for \$580. Also: Shelter Designs less than 24' comes with 2 windows standard.

**** Nomad Shelter offers 8' wall for \$500.

Cost (\$) of common add-on features

Company	Add'l Door	Add'l Window	Insulation Package	Chimney/ Stovepipe exit	Snow-load capability
Blue Ridge Yurts	460	200	2,215	65	Incl., 40 psf
Colorado Yurt Co.	650	140	2,325	60	Incl.*
Nomad Shelter	630	200	Incl.**	✓	Incl. 60 psf
Pacific Yurts	725	140	2300	60	Incl., 40+ psf
Rainier Yurts	725	custom	2,480	150	Incl. 280 psf
Shelter Designs	695	135	2,350	135	243 psf***
Two Girls Farm & Yurts	1,000	85	1,950	450	Incl.
White Mountain Yurts	950	165	2,486	90	Incl.****
Yurts of America	725	140	2,300	60	50+ psf*****

Add-on features often vary depending on yurt size. **Prices here in blue are for the common 24' yurt size.** Bigger sizes likely mean increased cost; smaller size smaller cost. **Prices in black are the same across yurt sizes.** Note this list is not exhaustive. It only includes the most common add-on options.

* Colorado Yurt Co. is built, basically, for alpine conditions—they also offer a "Full Snow & Winter Load" package for \$1,225.

** Nomad Shelter offers upgrade to Alaska-grade insulation for \$XXX

*** Shelter designs offers snow and wind kit for \$760 (24' yurt).

**** White Mountain Yurts offers snow and wind kit for \$1350.

***** Yurts of America snow and wind kit is \$665.

Delivery & other services

Company	Provided Platform Plans	Assisted Yurt Raising	Yurt Shipping
Blue Ridge Yurts	✓	*	✓ unspecified
Colorado Yurt Co.	✓	*	✓ \$250
Nomad Shelter	✓		✓ quoted FOB***
Pacific Yurts	✓		✓ \$250 crate fee + FOB
Rainier Yurts	✓		✓ quoted FOB
Shelter Designs	✓		\$250 crate fee
Two Girls Farm & Yurts	✓	✓	**
White Mountain Yurts	✓		✓ unspecified
Yurts of America	✓	****	✓ quoted FOB

* Blue Ridge Yurts will discuss the possibility of sending a set-up crew. Colorado Yurt Co. can send a crew within 400 miles.

**Two Girls Farm & Yurts delivers your yurt in person (in New England) and helps you raise it. No shipping.

*** Nomad Shelter has a crate fee and handling fee in addition to shipping cost.

**** Yurts of America has "relationships with contractors." Assistance cost is quoted case-by-case.

Design considerations

Company	Wood type frame/rafters	Locally sourced wood	Vent-able dome	Rain diverter over door	Cover color choices
Blue Ridge Yurts	Poplar, spruce	✓	✓	✓	24
Colorado Yurt Co.	Spruce, pine, fir		\$160	✓	16
Nomad Shelter	Spruce		✓	✓	19
Pacific Yurts	Fir			✓	16
Rainier Yurts	Fir		\$175	\$85	14
Shelter Designs	Fir, larch		165		14
Two Girls Farm & Yurts	Hardwoods	✓	✓		2
White Mountain Yurts	unspecified		215	✓	20
Yurts of America	Poplar		✓	55	15

Note: checkmark means yes, standard. Number means price for this feature. Blank space means not an option.

Wait time on yurt orders

Company	Wait time/lead time
Blue Ridge Yurts	unspecified
Colorado Yurt Company	unspecified
Nomad Shelter	8–16 weeks
Pacific Yurts	6–8 weeks
Rainier Yurts	unspecified
Shelter Designs	8–12 weeks
Two Girls Farm & Yurts	unspecified
White Mountain Yurts	unspecified
Yurts of America	3–4 weeks

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