

Nemo Gogo Elite 1-Person Minimalist Shelter

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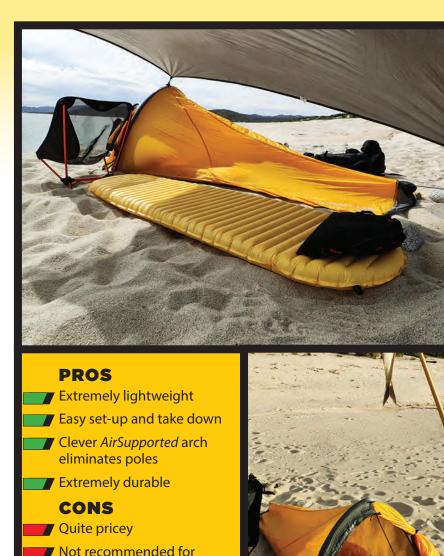
The Gogo Elite 1-Person Minimalist Shelter from NEMO boasts the smallest weight and volume for any tent or bivy in its category. The Gogo Elite easily inflates and collapses with a clever integrated air pump and the elliptical arch formed by the AirSupported technology gives the tent structural rigidity even in gusting winds of 30–40 mph. Because there are no poles, the ingenious design collapses to fit into its ultra-light watertight stuff sack (or even a 1L water bottle).

In controlled testing I found the set-up easy and straightforward. But once in the outback, it took the first night to adjust to the tight quarters; this tent is not for really big people. My six feet, two inches and 190 pounds are about the maximum for any reasonable expectation of a good night's sleep. Getting in and out required some finesse as well; it's a little like tucking into a Japanese capsule motel. But after a few nights I found it to be an awesome way to start each dawn, looking out the netted window of my personal sleep capsule.

The Gogo Elite comes with the ExoFly morphing vestibule which provides wind-blocking shade or rain shelter for dry storage of excess gear on the head side of the bivy. An extra footprint can double as a shady awning when tied off to the arch and tail end of the tent. And when heavy winds set in, the AirSupported arch remained stable and the bivy anchored to the surface.

In summary, what matters to minimalist ADV campers is whether the tent is lightweight, lowvolume and durable. In these categories, the Gogo Elite is unmatched. The only thing we'd add are more interior storage pouches for basecamp essentials.

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