

Softbox Assembly Instructions

Assembling a softbox can be a little tricky. Following these simple steps simplifies the task.

The softbox consists of 5 parts:

1. Outer Skin
2. 4/Steel Rods
3. Speed Ring
4. Inner Diffuser
5. Outer Diffuser

STEP 1: INSERT OPPOSING RODS

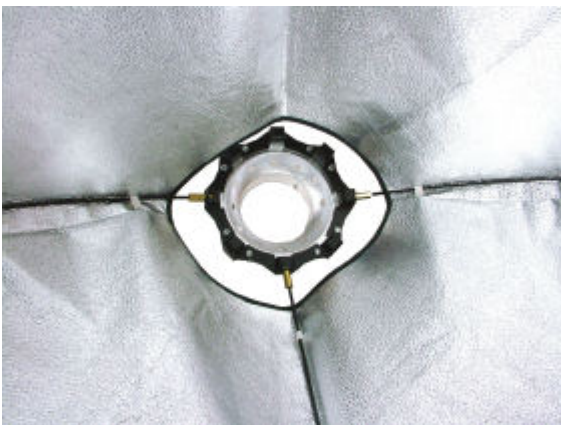
Begin by inserting one of the rods, small end first, through the small elastic loop near the hole in the softbox "Outer skin", shiny side and then into the corner pocket (shown below). The large end of the rod should be near the Outer Skin center hole.



Next, insert the opposing rod in the same manner and then insert the rods large ends into the opposing holes in the "Speed Ring".

STEP 2: INSERT ROD 3

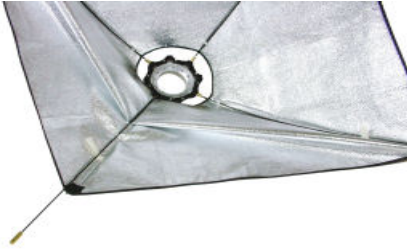
Now insert the third rod through the center of the speed ring, through the elastic loop and then into the 3rd corner pocket. Open up the softbox, rotate the speed ring and insert the third rod into the speed ring capture hole



STEP 3: INSERT ROD 4

Turn the softbox with the 3 installed rods facing up on the work surface with the loose corner facing forward. Fold back the outer skin as shown and insert the 4th rod into the proper speed ring hole. Do not insert this rod through the elastic loop.

Now tug on the last corner of the softbox outer skin and stretch the fabric to insert the 4th rod into the corner pocket. Be careful not to pull on the corner pocket flap for this could damage the stitching. You may need to twist the steel rod a bit to make the fit. It is a very tight fit.



STEP 4: ATTACH INNER DIFFUSER

The inner diffuser is optional for it does not substantially improve dispersion of the light and it will reduce the light output. Installing the inner diffuser is a simple matter of attaching the corner Velcro to the Velcro tabs inside the softbox.

Start with one corner then the opposing corner and finally the last 2 corners. Use only about 1/2 of the Velcro tab on the softbox outer skin, leaving space between the diffuser and the side of the softbox. The inner diffuser does not fit tight against the side of the softbox. There is a gap of about 1" for ventilation.



STEP 5: ATTACH OUTER DIFFUSER

The outer diffuser is also optional for you could successfully use the softbox with only the inner diffuser. The outer diffuser fits over the edge of the outer skin and there are Velcro attachments all around.

