

## ALONG THE TRAIL

# Tilt-A-Rack, a Convenient Way to Carry Big Game



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If you own a sport utility vehicle as many sportsmen do, their only drawback is not being able to haul something large or messy as in wild game. I may have found a solution to that problem.

While there are a number of basket-type carriers or wheelless trailers on the market that allow carrying gear or game outside the vehicle, none are big enough to easily accommodate large, bulky loads, two deer or a 500-pound bear.

I recently purchased a Tilt-A-Rack, an aluminum cargo carrier that tilts sideways for easy loading and unloading. And when not in use, it flips up against the back of the vehicle and can be pinned at an angle for SUVs with a protruding spare tire on its tailgate.

To load something onto the Tilt-A-Rack, you merely remove the rail from the loading side, pull out the extension (if more length is desired like when loading from a curb) and pull a release handle that allows the rack to tilt.

I recall attempting to load, onto a conventional aluminum basket carrier, a 240-pound whitetail I arrowed during a Pennsylvania archery hunting season. Its dead-weight was so cumbersome I wasn't able pull it up onto my carrier that was situated 17 inches off the ground. I cell phoned my wife for assistance in loading it. Had the basket had a ramp or tilt mechanism, loading the buck by myself would have been easier, especially in my case as I suffer from a lower back problem.

The Tilt-A-Rack allows one-person loading of game animals, garden equipment, small ATVs or motorized wheelchairs. Unlike a trailer, it requires no license plate or insurance, it eliminates backing problems, wheel-hub burnouts and storage. It



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*Tilt-A-Rack is made by ATV Solutions in Arvada, Colorado.*

can be stowed against a garage or shed wall.

As the Tilt-A-Rack is all aluminum, there's no rusting. It slides into a two-inch receiver hitch and there's an optional wheel that allows one person insertion. Otherwise two people are needed to guide it into the

hitch.

There are two models. One can hold up to 500 pounds while the other is rated for 700 pounds but it must be used on a half-ton truck. Both come with trailer lights and electrical connections.

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