

## The Manual

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Rack It Up with the Best Snowboard and Ski Racks

Featuring: FatCat EVO, HitchSki, RocketBox Pro 11 & SkyBox 21 Carbonite

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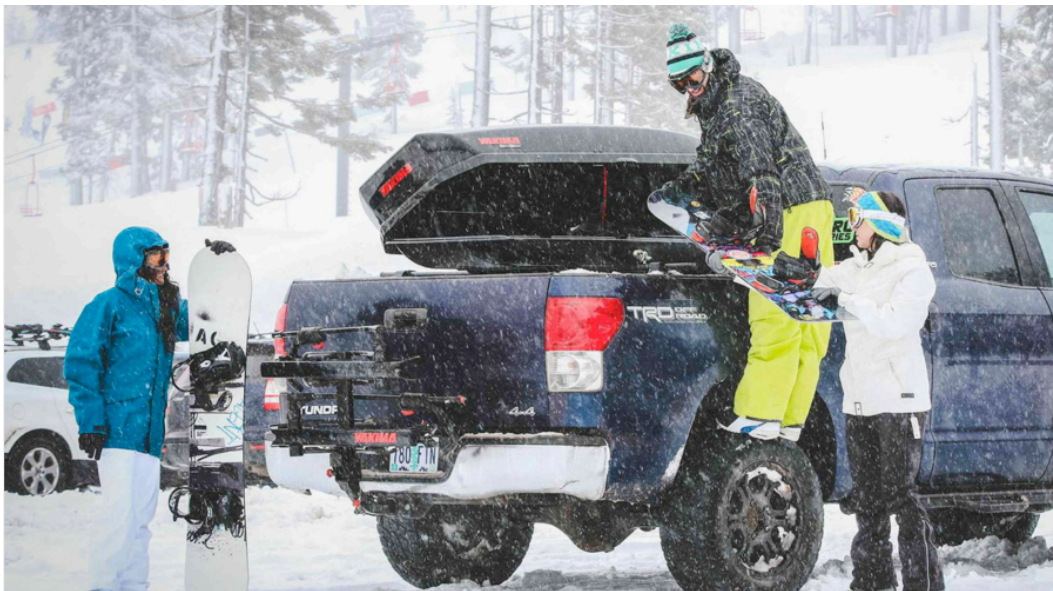
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Have you ever planned a [skiing](#) or [snowboarding](#) trip only to discover you have more gear than room? We've all been there. Even in the largest of SUVs, skis and snowboards require significant room to transport — and nobody wants wet skis and boards [in the car](#) during the trip home. The powder that you navigated all day (and failed to completely remove before loading) will return to its liquid state before you've had time to thawed out.

Here are our favorite snowboard and ski racks from Thule and Yakima — two top-notch transportation product companies — for hauling that gear in the season ahead.





## BEST ROOFTOP CARRIERS

If you already own a rack system or have factory crossbars on your vehicle, consider one of the following options for transporting multiple pairs of skis and snowboards.

Yakima FatCat 4 Evo – [\\$229](#)



FatCat Evo mounts tool-free to virtually any roof rack. The aerodynamic design delivers a quiet ride and the large button allow for smooth access while wearing gloves or mitts. It features integrated SKS (same key system) locks for added security. Looking to carry more? Consider the [FatCat 6 Evo](#) (\$279), which can accommodate up to six pairs of powder skis or four snowboards.

## ADDITIONAL OPTIONS

Both Yakima and Thule make options for converting your hitch-mounted bike racks into ski and snowboard carriers to maximize the use of a single rack.

Yakima HitchSki – [\\$219](#)



The HitchSki fits most four- and five-bike, mast-style hitch racks and will carry up to six pairs of skis or four snowboards. The rig comes with Yakima's same SKS locking mechanism to secure your gear to the rack. Optional locking options are available to secure to entire rig to your car.

## STILL NEED MORE SPACE?

Bulky items like helmets and boots can also be space-consuming. When carpooling to the slopes, all of this gear adds up — and when the vehicle is packed with snow enthusiasts, space is critical.

Yakima



With [10 rooftop cargo boxes](#) — ranging from \$379-\$779 — Yakima has the appropriate box to accommodate your gear needs. The smallest box, the RocketBox Pro 11 (\$379), will hold up to 210 cm skis; the largest box, the SkyBox 21 Carbonite (\$600), will hold up to 215 cm skis (and with 21 cubic feet of storage space, a whole lot more). All feature the universal roof rack fit.

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