Best budget tents (up to £300)

WINNER

2018: Quechua2017: Hi Gear2016: Quechua

HIGHLY COMMENDED

2018: Hi Gear, Vango2017: Kampa, Quechua2016: Vango, Quechua



2018 Tent Owner Satisfaction Awards update

Our definition: While up to £300 will get you a fair tent, of almost any size, we base this category on the prices respondents told us they paid, hence it also includes any special offers at the time of purchase.

A slight re-arrangement for 2018 sees Quechua (formerly second) pipping Hi Gear (last year's top budget brand), which itself slipped to third, behind Vango.

It's worth noting Vango is the only independent brand here – the other two are own-brands labels, exclusive to retailers Decathlon (some 30 UK stores) and GO Outdoors (around 50), respectively.

Interestingly, with an overall rating of 90% this year, Quechua's score was only slightly higher than last year's. It's the same figure that gave Hi Gear the number

Brand	Satisfaction rating
Quechua	90%
Vango	87%
Hi Gear from GO Outdoors	86%

one spot last time, though Hi Gear was down to 86% this year.

Typically, many of Quechua's Arpenaz, 2 Seconds Easy and Air Seconds models sell for under £300. For Hi Gear, it's the Aura, Enigma, Zenobia models. Certain Vango models from its Artemis, Banshee, Iris, Omega, Talos and Tempest lines sell for under £300.

The main other brand with budget ranges hovering outside the top three was Outwell, with an 84% overall satisfaction score.

Please note: our results are based on prices paid, not manufacturers' recommended selling prices.

As with the other categories, there weren't sufficient numbers for us to pick up on particular models, although we've indicated ranges wherever possible.

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