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JESSE LUGGAGE

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Custom Luggage For The World Ahead

**Odyssey Bags**

For Suzuki 650 V-Strom

# Installation Guide

# Jesse Luggage Systems

## Odyssey Bags

**T**hank you for purchasing Jesse Luggage for your motorcycle. Our luggage, handmade in the USA, is designed for those with an interest in finding the most durable and functional luggage for their adventure touring. Al Jesse has been designing and building aluminum touring luggage since 1991. He has traveled over 40 countries on his own motorcycle and knows what it takes to make a good set of luggage. We have built in several unusual features, including hinged lids that not only hold stuff while you are unloading but also serve as additional packing space. The angles provide extra strength as well as clearance in corners and for your heels when paddling in deep sand. Powdercoating provides a durable finished look for your boxes. We hope you enjoy your luggage for years to come!

### Tools Required



plus drill with 6mm or 1/4" bit

## Parts Included

Purchase of Jesse Luggage includes mounting hardware. This hardware is shown below. All bolts, washers and nuts are shrink wrapped to mounting brackets. For your ease in installing the mounts, remove hardware as needed.

Figure1 **Main Mounts:** Upper support rear support, rear muffler supports, front mounts



## Items That Need To Come Off Bike

These items are:

1. Seat
2. Rear rack
3. Upper muffler mounting bolts

**Important:** Recommended to use **Loc-Tite® #242** (Blue-nonpermanent) on all bolts when installing mounts.

## What NOT To Do!

Do NOT tighten any of the bolts while doing initial installation. When everything is loosely bolted together THEN tighten AND remember to use that **Loc-Tite**.

## Step 1. Main Mount Assembly

Loosely bolt together the two main mounts with the upper support as shown above.



## Step 2. Installing Muffler Support



Muffler support

Install rear muffler support using the stock muffler bolts that came on your bike.  
Bolt on right side only.

### Step 3. Installing Main Mount Assembly



Place main mount assembly on top of bike's rear end so that holes in upper support line up with those on the bike, and main mounts line up with side panel mounting points. Use a piece of cardboard or other material to protect your side panels during this process. Replace stock rear rack as shown using 8mm stainless bolts provided. 1/4" spacers are used between main mount and front holes on stock rack. Hand tighten only.



## Step 4. Installing The Left Front Mount



Install left front mount using bolts provided. Attach to main mount and passenger footpeg mount as shown above. Repeat this procedure with the right front mount.

## Step 5. Installing Rear Support



Rear support mounted

Attach rear support to both main mounts. Muffler bolts may need to be tightened slightly for this to fit properly.

## Step 6. Tighten all bolts

*Important:* Remember to use **Loc-Tite® #242** (blue version) on all mount bolts. You will want to start this process with the muffler mount bolts, and finish with the rear rack bolts.

## Step 7. Installing the Teflon pieces

Once you have completely installed and tightened your mounts, you can drill the holes for your Teflon pieces. With the boxes mounted, place the Teflon piece on the front of the box around the round tube of the front mount. Make sure the Teflon blocks are on the lowest possible part of the box, while still making full contact with the box. Mark the boxes (use a piece of masking tape if you have black boxes), remove them from the bike and drill using a 6mm or 1/4" drill bit. Then bolt on your Teflons and re-mount your bags.

## Step 8. Installing Jesse Bags On Mounts



Figure 9.3

To install the bags, make sure that the latches inside the bags are in the open position. Set the front pin in the corresponding groove on the bag mount (as shown in figure 9.1). As the bag is lowered onto the bag mount, settle the Teflon® guide around the tubing on the front mount (as shown in figure 9.2). Now slide the rear pin on the bag mount (as shown in figure 9.3). Once bag is settled into the mounts, push the clamps on the inside of the bags to the closed position.

**Note:** The clamps on the inside of the bags are of a cam type. They are either open or closed. They close facing each other with a firm cam-over action. Each cam is rated at 125 pounds.

Once you have completed this and put all three of your tools away, grab a beer, a map and plan awesome vacation, because you and your Jesse Luggage are going to go places!