

This full awning from Sunncamp is rather unusual – it makes use of inflatable technology, more usually seen in porch awnings. **Sarah Wakely** takes a look inside

AN IMPRESSIVE THREE
years of development went into Sunncamp's Icon Air before it went into production. But the time taken seems to have been worth it, because it promises, and delivers, a lot.

One of the prime reasons behind this is because it's a full, inflatable awning that's also reasonably light in weight. What's more, that 325cm depth is quite unusual, too.

You can also add an annexe (220cm x 160cm, also inflatable, fitting either side, or both), but if you do you should note that they attach at an angle, adding an extra 15cm.

There are a number of sizes available – they range from 11-18; here we tested the 14 (975-1000cm), which is at the mid-point of the range. It has three doors, while those models lower down the line-up have two.

This model weighs 43kg, so it's still a fairly hefty piece of kit to pull through your awning rail. As such, we'd suggest removing some – or perhaps all – of the panels before you do so.

Pumping the awning up is straightforward, not least because a manual pump is included with it (an electric version is a £75 cost option) along with its own storage bag. Inflation is single-point and is available from any one of the four valves. The optimal pressure is 7psi.



Pitch perfect

It's a full awning... and an inflatable, and relatively lightweight, too

The inflation points have zipped covers, for a bit of security – and they look smart, too.

The construction of the awning makes it feel sturdy and hardwearing: it's made from SunnCamp's own-specification Pro-Tek 300 denier polyester, which has a 6000mm hydrostatic head waterproof rating.

Inside there are zipped curtains that can be fully rolled down, tied back and more – they can be arranged in four different ways. The side doors, meanwhile, have a heavy-duty mesh screen.



Bent peg

You'll get just the one verandah pole included as standard

One of the most impressive aspects of the Icon Air is that it offers the overall space of a full awning, but with the practicality of a porch. What's more, this is a wind-resistant design, too – although you get storm straps as standard for extra peace of mind.

VERDICT ★★★★☆

This is a well-designed and well-thought-out awning that looks and feels great quality.

Please note that this review replaces that previously featured in Practical Caravan, which included photographs that were incorrect. **PC**

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Price £1264.99 (size 11) to £1465.00 (size 18)

Web www.sunncamp.com

Weight 43kg (size 14)

Dimensions

975-1000cm (size 14)

Pack size

80cm x 50cm x 50cm

Access Two side doors, two angled side doors, three front doors (size 14)

Selling points Large front windows, 300D Pro-Tek fabric, vertical storm pole pockets, night-visibility guylines, storm buckles and straps, rear weather poles, draught skirt with ventilation

Optional extras Shaped carpet (£170), 12V electric pump (£75), annexe (£290)

Sunncamp Icon Air



Curtains inside the Icon Air can be arranged in four different ways



Zipped covers add security and style to the inflation points



A manual pump is included, but there's an optional electric version



You can fit the optional inflatable annexe to the door on either side