

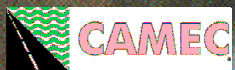
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Best Slide-On

Islander Spirit

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Islander campers are manufactured in beautiful Tasmania, and this beauty has rubbed off on the Spirit. Designed for installation on a tray-back ute, the Spirit brings a touch of class to the world of slide-ons.

Solid, vacuum-bonded fibreglass panels give the Spirit a smooth, sleek external appearance, and these panels provide a strong structural basis for the unit, with no internal framework required. It's a pop-top slide-on that allows plenty of headroom, but with a lower profile to reduce fuel consumption.

Inside, the Spirit is surprisingly spacious. The kitchen is roomy and reasonably equipped, while the 'L-shaped dinette at the rear can be made up into an additional single bed if required. A small, padded step up into the bedroom reveals a double bed with plenty of headroom when the top is popped.

Mounted on a Nissan Navara tray-back ute, the Islander Spirit looks outstanding, and its low profile will allow access along many close, overhung tracks. It's a real get-away-from-it-all weekend. **C&M**

"Stepping inside the Spirit, the first thing you notice is the space. There's a generous floor area and a feeling of roominess that is rare in slide-ons." RRC&M 79