### "Rich's List"

Of

# Teardrop & TTT Internet & Mail Order

# **Parts and Supplies**

This document contains a list of mail order/internet links to aid in finding that hard to locate part that probably can't be found locally.

Below you will find a brief description of the supplier and what they sell and a link to their website.

• The most important link is the one to the following site, what you will find here above all else is information and support for your new addiction.

Teardrops & Tiny Travel Trailers at <a href="http://mikenchell.com/forums/">http://mikenchell.com/forums/</a>

This list was compiled and will be updated regularly by Rich U. My Teardrop & TTT Forum username is Nitetimes. I can be contacted at 'nitetimes@lycos.com' with any problems with the list or additions you think might be relevant to the list.

Editors Note: Please keep in mind as you click on the links below that even if they are listed for a particular item it is often a good idea to browse the site, you might be pleasantly surprised to find something else you were looking for is in the same site. Some of the sites do not allow linking to a particular page/item (hot linking) for those sites I have tried to give a part number and/or a name of the item to search for. I will be updating this list as I collect more links to things I think should be in it. If you think something that might be useful here please bring it to my attention, also if you find any dead links let me know. I have done my best to make sure all links go where they are supposed to but the web is an ever changing thing so there's always a chance that a page with move or change. Please keep in mind that not all of these products have been used or tested by myself or other board members so use discretion in your purchases.

### **Patterns and Plans**

Patterns and plans for teardrops & TTT

Full size patterns and detailed plans to get you started on the right track can be found here.

One of the most popular is Kuffel Creeks found here http://www.kuffelcreek.com/

I believe the one that will soon run a close second will be the Teardrop Builders Manual from Steve Frederick available here

<a href="http://www.steve-frederick.com/shopman05">http://www.steve-frederick.com/shopman05</a>
Steve was kind enough to volunteer his list of suppliers that he includes with his shop manual, they are here <a href="http://www.steve-frederick.com/links.pdf">http://www.steve-frederick.com/links.pdf</a>
Thanks Steve

The Generic Benroy Plans are nearly complete, they are being drawn up by Mike ( T & TTT site owner) There are still a few sections to be finished but there is plenty of info for the trailer build itself. Most of what's left to add is finish details. I believe the plans are already being utilized by some folks. Give them a look thru, I believe you will be impressed.

http://www.mikenchell.com/images/GenericBenroyPlans.pdf

### Others are:

http://www.tinytears.cc/patterns.html http://www.teardrops.net/LilBear/plans.html

Purchasing plans is not always necessary either, there are a lot of free ones out there on the web that can be found with a nearly effortless search just typing 'teardrop trailer plans' in Google gets you pages full of info.

### **Trailers**

### • Bolt Together Trailers

Red Trailer 4x8, 5x8, 6x10 & 6x12 bolt together trailers <a href="http://www.redtrailers.com/">http://www.redtrailers.com/</a>

Harbor Freight has a 4x8 bolt together trailer, one is rated for 2000 lbs, and the other is rated for 1200 lbs

1800 lb trailer

http://www.harborfreight.com/cpi/ctaf/Displayitem.taf?itemnumber=6464

1175 lb trailer

http://www.harborfreight.com/cpi/ctaf/Displayitem.taf?itemnumber=90154

Northern Tool also lists a 4x8 trailer with a load capacity of 960 lbs, however the wheels are listed as not included.

 $\frac{http://www.northerntool.com/webapp/wcs/stores/servlet/ProductDisplay?storeId=6970\&productId=465468\&R=465468}{productId=465468\&R=465468}$ 

### • Welded Trailers

Tractor Supply Company has a 5x8 listed on their site but reports are that you can order various configurations from the store directly.

2400 lb 5x8 trailer

http://www.mytscstore.com/detail.asp?pcID=3&paID=1023&sonID=733&productID=1707

A popular Tractor Supply trailer, I believe this one has to be special ordered at the store: Carry-On trailer 4X8 with no floor SKU #1000215, 1500lb GVW, 5 lug 4.5 center wheels, lights, wired, safety chains, assembled & ready to go. These can be ordered in other sizes too if you can find a co-operative sales person.

Snowbear trailers has a line of welded trailers, several different styles, this one is a 54"x92" with a 2000 lb gross. Check the site for others. http://www.snowbear.com/html/7000.html

Trailers can also be fabricated locally by a local welder. You could even buy the metal from a Metals supermarket, and have it welded up by a local muffler shop. <a href="http://onlinemetals.com/">http://onlinemetals.com/</a>
<a href="http://www.metalmart.com">http://www.metalmart.com</a>

If you have access to a welder or a friend that welds be sure to check with your local salvage yards. Lots of them sell unused steel that has been scrapped by large companies at 'by the pound' scrap prices. These pieces are most often called drops.

# **Trailer Parts Suppliers**

### • Parts suppliers by name

KTM service parts <a href="http://www.kmtparts.com/store.asp?pid=7194&catid=19666">http://www.kmtparts.com/store.asp?pid=7194&catid=19666</a></a>
Redneck Trailer Supply <a href="http://www.redneck-trailer.com/">http://www.redneck-trailer.com/</a>

Lucky B http://www.luckyb.com/

etrailerpart.com http://www.etrailerpart.com/

R.W. Johnson Teardrop Trailers http://www.teardroptrailers.net/index.html

Low Cost Trailer Supplies http://www.lowcosttrailersupplies.com/

Champion Trailer Parts Supplier <a href="http://www.championtrailers.com/">http://www.championtrailers.com/</a>

ABC Trailer Parts http://abctrailerparts.com/

Vintage Trailer Parts http://www.vintagetrailersupply.com/

357 pages of RV parts...have fun <a href="http://www.hilltoprv.net/browseproducts/">http://www.hilltoprv.net/browseproducts/</a>

# **RV Parts Suppliers**

### • RV Parts supplies/ refrigerators, furnaces other parts

A long list of websites for RV parts suppliers

http://www.crva.ca/categorylist.asp?SID=Appliances+/+Heaters

A list of RV salvage and surplus dealers

http://www.rv.net/obsolete/index.cfm?action=group&groupid=1

# Axles, springs, jacks

### • Suppliers of trailer parts

Axles, torflex and spring axles can be purchased from several online suppliers, most of which have detailed information on how to measure your frame to get the proper size axle and have the tire clearance you need.

http://www.redneck-trailer.com/

#9 Torflex is a very popular axle

http://www.redneck-trailer.com/2004/A/PagesA-28-A-33.pdf

Standard and drop tube spring type axles

http://www.redneck-trailer.com/2004/A/PagesA-6-A-13.pdf

http://www.luckyb.com/

#9 Torflex

http://www.luckyb.com/105.htm

Standard and drop tube spring type axles

http://www.luckyb.com/88.htm

http://www.etrailerpart.com/

etrailerpart carries the Flexride adjustable torsion axles which give you the option of adjusting your ride height (best done before installing fenders)

http://www.etrailerpart.com/torsionaxles.htm

and standard spring axles as well

http://www.etrailerpart.com/2ktrailerAxle.htm

Another axle supplier

http://www.bageco.com/traileraxles.htm

Limited axle supplies

http://www.teardroptrailers.net/parts/axel/axel.htm ....best to contact by phone...phone # is 530 878-0407

http://www.kmtparts.com/store.asp?pid=8082&catid=19666

Torsion and spring axle and parts supplier

http://www.axisproducts.com/index.html

Good selection of repair/replacement parts, lights and wiring etc.

http://lowcosttrailersupplies.com/

Axles can also be purchased from places such as Harbor Freight and Northern Tool as well as locally if you have a trailer manufacturer near you. Sometimes the higher price dealers charge will be more than offset by the extra cost you pay in shipping from the parts supplier. You need to decide which option is best for your particular situation.

## **Wheel Spacers/Adapters**

If you plan to use a particular wheel on your trailer, say one that matches your tow vehicle and there is no hub to match that bolt pattern you can order custom hub adapters to change the standard bolt pattern to whatever you need. Try these to get an idea what's out there.

http://www.adaptitusa.com/index.asp?

http://www.wheeladapter.com/wheel\_adapters\_and\_wheel\_spacers.asp

### **Fenders**

#### Custom and standard trailer fenders

Fenders can be fiberglass, steel or homemade from wood and/or aluminum

Grant offers quite a few styles of fiberglass fenders on his site

http://www.teardrops.net/LilBear/parts.html#fenders

Here's some more popular glass ones

http://www.teardroptrailers.net/parts/fender/fender.htm ....best to contact by

phone...phone # is 530 878-0407

Retro glass fenders

http://www.teardropparts.com/sub-pages/teardrop%20trailer-fender.htm

Steel fender supplier

http://www.kampco.com/catalog/fenders.html

Round and jeep style steel fenders

http://www.wesbar.com/products.php?group=18&subgroup=20

### • Fender chip guards

Clear Mask fender paint chip protection

http://www.clearmask.com/

### **Wheels**

### • Custom wheel suppliers

This is a pretty good list of manufacturer bolt patterns in case you decide to get your wheels at the local salvage yard.

http://wheeltool.com/info/5bolt.html

Vintage wheels and tires

http://www.teardropparts.com/sub-pages/teardrop-tires&wheels.htm

http://www.kmtparts.com/index.asp?category=15133

# **Trailer Lighting**

### • Exterior trailer lighting

Vintage tail lights and mounting brackets

http://www.teardroptrailers.net/parts/lighting/lighting.htm ....best to contact by

phone...phone # is 530 878-0407

More retro tail lights here

http://www.teardropparts.com/sub-pages/trailer-accessories.htm

Nice license plate light/bracket and side marker lights

http://www.teardrops.net/LilBear/parts.html#LicensePlateBracket

Large selection of retro lights

http://www.taillightking.com/

Modern style trailer lights

Clearance lights

https://www.rvsurplussalvage.com/catalog/display.php?category\_id=60

Modern style tail lights

https://www.rvsurplussalvage.com/catalog/display.php?category\_id=59

LED lights and bulb replacements

1157 bulb replacements

http://www.webbikeworld.com/r2/led/led.htm

LED tail and marker lights

http://www.buytruckstuff.com/ledlights.htm

http://www.kmtparts.com/index.asp?category=15163

http://www.delcity.net/delcity/servlet/catalog?parentid=561713&page=1

LED lights and replacement bulbs

http://www.superbrightleds.com/led\_prods.htm

# **Stabilizer Jacks**

Bolt on or weld on stabilizer jacks can be found at most trailer supply outlets. They can also be found at discount tool outlets

Atwood and Fulton stabilizers

 $\frac{http://www.northerntool.com/webapp/wcs/stores/servlet/NTESearch?storeId=6970\&N=0\\\&Ntk=All\&Ntt=stabilizer%20jack\&Nty=1\&D=stabilizer%20jack\&Ntx=mode+matchall\\partial\&Dx=mode+matchallpartial$ 

http://www.jcwhitney.com/autoparts/ItemBrowse/c-10107/s-10101/p-

100000210881/mediaCode-ZX/appId-100000210881/Pr-

p CATENTRY ID:100000210881

https://www.rvsurplussalvage.com/catalog/display.php?product\_id=195

### **Hinges**

### • Hurricane Hinge

Using a hurricane is the easiest way to a waterproof hatch. This is a specialty item, which can be found at one of these two places. It has been noted that if you are going to use a hurricane hinge it is a good idea to have it on hand during your build

http://www.teardrops.net/lilbear/parts.html#hinges

http://teardropparts.com/sub-pages/teardrop-hardware.htm

Some people have used stainless steel piano hinges and covered them up with rubber. They can be found here

www.mcmaster.com page 2809, cat # 1658A867

A large variety of piano hinges here also

http://www.austinhardware.com/dept.asp?dept%5Fid=348

### • Stainless steel hinges for the side doors

www.mcmaster.com page 2809, cat # 12075A7

Source for SS hinges, shipping is a little steep

http://www.stainless-hinges.com/stainless\_continuous\_hinges.html#group\_hinge\_type\_3 http://www.austinhardware.com/product.asp?pf%5Fid=544&dept%5Fid=36&sku=ALH+4K+CH+LH&mscssid=GP7E6GGRPJ259G441C8GUU7G0A500439

### • Plastic Hinge

Plastic piano hinges, the jury is still out on the usefulness of these plastic hinges <a href="http://www.monroeengineering.com/hinges/living-hinge-plastic-piano-hinge.htm">http://www.monroeengineering.com/hinges/living-hinge-plastic-piano-hinge.htm</a>

### Windows

### • Crank out windows

Crank out windows are the classic looking teardrop windows, and because of their design, will probably keep most of the rain out of your teardrop

http://www.teardrops.net/lilbear/parts.html#hinges

http://www.teardroptrailers.net/parts/window/window.htm ....best to contact by phone...phone # is 530 878-0407

http://www.teardropparts.com/sub-pages/trailer-accessories.htm

Locally you can probably find crank out windows at any store that sells truck caps and a lot of camper supply places either have them on hand or will order them for you. Some salvage yards will let you walk thru and check for truck caps and scrapped RV's. Here's an RV salvage yard in Indiana

https://www.rvsurplussalvage.com/index.php

### • Sliding windows

Sliding windows have the advantage of not hitting your teardrop doors when you open them. On the downside, if it's raining and windy, the rain can blow right into your teardrop.

http://www.teardrops.net/lilbear/parts.html#hinges

http://www.jcwhitney.com/autoparts/Product/tf-Browse/s-10101/Pr-

p\_Product.CATENTRY\_ID:2009716/showCustom-0/p-2009716/N-

111+600001048+10201/c-10101

http://www.tjtrailers.com/store/trailer-doors-windows.html#10238

http://www.kmtparts.com/index.asp?category=15171

http://www.buccaneermfg.com/

# • Opening windows

### Port hole type windows

Somewhat pricey but nice windows come from boat part suppliers <a href="http://shop.sailnet.com/index.php/cPath/105\_109">http://shop.sailnet.com/index.php/cPath/105\_109</a>

### • Non opening type windows

Port hole and other style non-opening windows can be found here http://www.trucknvans.com/Specialty\_Windows\_Portholes\_s/981.htm

Rubber seal to make your own custom shaped non-opening windows <a href="http://www.austinhardware.com/dept.asp?dept%5Fid=388">http://www.austinhardware.com/dept.asp?dept%5Fid=388</a>

Look around for old mobile homes that are either abandoned or being stripped for scrap, these often had the small crank out windows in the bathrooms. And likely as not you can get the windows for nothing or next to it.

# **Wood Suppliers**

### • Bendable plywood

A lot of builders use flexible plywood also known as Bendy Birch it is not always necessary but it can be found here.

http://www.boulterplywood.com/

A long list of wood suppliers on this page, scroll down to the links http://www.morlanwoodgifts.com/MM011.ASP?pageno=146

Other good sources of bendable ply and specialty size sheets are local cabinet makers and sign shops, they will often work with you to get what you need from there suppliers.

Most of your other lumber can be found at the big box stores as long as you want standard sizes and grades. Special sizes, grades and wood types can most often be found at local smaller lumber suppliers in your area and they are more likely to work with you to order what you want.

### **Roof Vents**

#### Roof Vents

Another item that is a good idea to have on hand while building is the roof vent you intend to use, it makes fitting it much easier.

A very popular 12v vent is the Fantastic Vent

http://www.fantasticvent.com/home/home.html There is a list of dealers on their site, shop around to get the best price on the model you choose.

Ventline also has 12v and 110v roof vents

http://www.pplmotorhomes.com/parts/rv-vents/ventline-roof-vents.htm

Non-powered vents can be found here

 $\underline{\text{http://www.etrailer.com/Merchant2/merchant.mv?Screen=CTGY\&Store\_Code=E\&Categ}\\ \underline{\text{ory\_Code=rv}}$ 

A lot of different styles of vents can be found here along with quite a few other RV and trailer supplies

http://www.pplmotorhomes.com/index.html

Another vent and parts supplier

http://www.marksrv.com/vents.htm

http://www.go-

rv.com/coast/do/catalog/page?dealerId=1725&pageNum=223&productId=65392

Putty tape for sealing vents and windows

http://www.campingworld.com/browse/skus/index.cfm?skunum=4698&src=SRCH&tcode=37

A very good source for the Fantastic Vents, reasonable prices and lots of options, good service...recommended by MJ

http://members.aol.com/fantasticvent/

Interesting powered roof vent, can be used in the rain

http://www.dyersonline.com/p-9356-keep-your-rv-cool-with-the-rv-maxx-fan.aspx

Non-powered roof vents

http://www.teardrops.net/LilBear/parts.html#Vents

Vent cover with fan, rain or shine operation

http://www.austinhardware.com/dept.asp?dept%5Fid=388

### **Adhesives**

### • Commonly used adhesives

Some of the more popular glues used are;

Gorilla Glue, it is a polyurethane, water activated glue that is very strong but a little messy, use of gloves is recommended as it bonds well to your skin.

http://www.gorillaglue.com/home.htm

Titebond II & III are also used extensively in some builders shops

http://www.titebond.com/

PL adhesives are very commonly used also, they come in a large variety for different types of jobs, found at most lumber supply stores.

 $\underline{http://www.stickwithpl.com/ProductsList.aspx?ID=PANEL-CONSTRUCTION-ADHESIVES}$ 

Aluminum adhesive – The most commonly used adhesive for holding the skin on the outside of the TD until it is trimmed out is Henry 663 or 263

http://www.wwhenry.com/index.htm

Some suggested adhesives

http://www.atrim.com/Page67.html at this site <a href="http://www.atrim.com/">http://www.atrim.com/</a>

http://www.glfi.com/supplycatalogg.htm look under 'supplies'

Epoxy's are also very popular adhesives among TD builders, these are some of the most common ones

West System epoxy coating products

http://www.westsystem.com/

http://www.raka.com/

http://www.shopmaninc.com/epoxy.html

Another source for epoxy resins....the link is a little strange, just click 'here' on the page. <a href="http://www.noahsboatbuilding.com/noahsusa/AMAZING/index.asp?CartId={D6F49E8B-0E60-4035-9DDE-2D7EVEREST12F1ECD40}">http://www.noahsboatbuilding.com/noahsusa/AMAZING/index.asp?CartId={D6F49E8B-0E60-4035-9DDE-2D7EVEREST12F1ECD40}</a>

Of course whatever glue you regularly use that you prefer will probably work just fine.

# **Specialty Tools**

### Specialty tools or things you might not normally buy

One of the tools most commonly purchased during a build is a Kreg pocket hole jig http://www.kregtool.com/

I believe this is the most often purchased set, it can be found at Lowes and on-line I don't know that HD carriers them in other areas, mine don't.

http://www.kregtool.com/products/pht/product.php?PRODUCT\_ID=32

http://www.mcfeelys.com/product.asp?productID=KR-0300

http://www.kabudle.com/default.aspx?src=fr&event=dP&ItemID=B000051WSI

There are also others out there Kreg is not the only one and definitely not low budget, here are a couple less pricey models

http://www.rockler.com/ecom7/findprod.cfm?sku=2087

http://www.pennstateind.com/store/phjig3.html

http://www.pennstateind.com/store/phjigjr.html

I can't testify to the quality of any of these except the Kreg which is the one I have.

### **Fasteners**

#### Screws, nuts and bolts, etc.

This company supplies a huge variety of fasteners for nearly every application. If you click locations and use the store locator at the bottom of the page you can probably find a store within a reasonable distance from you. You can also do on-line orders.

http://www.fastenal.com

Deck screws – these self tapping deck screws work great for attaching your framing of floor ply to the frame. Go to the bottom of page on left.

http://www.championtrailers.com/cat2005%20screen%20pdf%20groups%20secure/42-43\_05.pdf

Deck screws here also

http://abctrailerparts.com/Floor-Screws.html

Spaenaur – Fastener supplier

http://www.spaenaur.com/default.asp

Another source for deck screws

http://www.redneck-trailer.com/2004/K/PagesK-10-K-11.pdf

# **Tools and Equipment**

Harbor Freight – Excellent source for tools and equipment for the budget minded builder that will use their tools primarily for their TD build and other household projects. Mostly for that tool you need that doesn't need to "last a lifetime".

http://www.harborfreightusa.com/usa/common/start.do

Northern Tool and Equipment – Also a very good budget tool supplier. Supply both wood and metal working tools.

http://www.northerntool.com/

McMaster-Carr – Suppliers of nearly everything but searching is required because you can't hot link to a page in their catalog. Here a little imagination is a must, use any name you can think of that it might be called if at first you don't find what you are looking for, it might just be under a different name. If you find anything listed here it will be by page and part number.

http://www.mcmaster.com/

Wood working tools and supplies, anilin dyes

http://woodworker.com/cgi-bin/home.exe

Large selection of tools here also

http://www.woodcraft.com/

http://woodworker.com/

For you left coasters here is a long list of tools and supplies, wood suppliers and finishing supplies located mostly in Calif.

http://www.woodwest.com/suppliers.html

A good variety of tools and supplies between these next ones, as always do a little shopping for the best price.

http://www.garrettwade.com/index.jsp

http://www.mcfeelys.com/

http://www.tools-for-woodworking.com/index.asp

http://www.japanwoodworker.com/page.asp?content id=2896

http://www.woodturnerscatalog.com/

http://eagleamerica.com/Default.asp?bhcd2=1137997628

http://www.amazon.com/gp/browse.html/103-6951743-3898261?node=228013

http://www.sandingcatalog.com/

http://www.hartvilletool.com/wallpaper.php?toolID=1&category\_id=51

http://www.leevalley.com/

# **Harbor Freight Coupon**

### • Discount Coupon

Use these links to get to the Harbor Freight discount coupons. They seem to be long running internet coupons that the expiration date changes on when it runs out. The coupon varies so it might be a good idea to keep going back to it until you find the best deal.

http://www.harborfreight.com/cpi/emails/week\_1\_retailA/coup\_top.jpg

http://ww2.harborfreightusa.com/showpage\_retail.taf?pageid=202 http://ww2.harborfreightusa.com/showpage\_retail.taf?pageid=214

'Online inside track' club, you'll have to decide whether it's worth the 10 bucks. <a href="http://ww2.harborfreightusa.com/showpage\_retail.taf?pageid=206">http://ww2.harborfreightusa.com/showpage\_retail.taf?pageid=206</a>

# **Aluminum Suppliers**

### • Aluminum suppliers

There are quite a few online aluminum suppliers of sheet stock and trim stock, the best thing to do is try to find the ones closest to your location to keep shipping cost down as they can really eat into the final cost of a 'good deal' from a supplier. It is most often best to try and locate your sheet stock close enough that you can pick it up whenever possible. Sheet and extrusion supplier

http://www.saf.com/

This one has lots of distributors nationwide, go to the site and click on 'geographic diversity' to find the supplier nearest you

http://www.rsac.com/default.asp

A good supplier for the folks in the mid-west

Alreco Aluminum Surplus Supply

11299 Brighton Rd.

Henderson, CO 80640-9335

**Phone:** 303-287-7210 **Fax:** 303-286-8622

Other good sources for wide sheet aluminum and some angle and extrusions would be sign shops in your area. They frequently work with aluminum sheet that is over 4' wide and often will work with you to find what you need. Some of it can even be had in a variety of colors.

Trailer repair facilities also often carry 103"-105" wide aluminum used on the roofs of semi trailers, it usually comes in white and they roll it up so you can transport it. This is generally purchased by the linear foot off a large roll.

Sheet aluminum supplier

http://aircraftspruce.com/catalog/mepages/3003\_alsheet.php

# **Alternate Wall Coverings**

### Coroplast

http://www.harborsales.net/

### Polymax board

<u>1&division=FarmTek&parent\_category\_rn=38853&top\_category=&breadcrumb\_trail=B</u> uilding+Materials%7CPolyMax+Plastic+Wallboard&breadcrumb\_cate

# Molding

### • Edge and trim molding

Soft, bendable aluminum edge and trim molding, also T-molding and rain gutter: <a href="http://www.teardroptrailers.net/parts/window/window.htm">http://www.teardroptrailers.net/parts/window/window.htm</a> ....best to contact by phone...phone # is 530 878-0407

A wide assortment of aluminum trim can be found here but they do warn you up front that it can be expensive to ship.

https://www.rvsurplussalvage.com/catalog/display.php?category\_id=64

More soft, bendable aluminum edge and trim molding, also T-molding

http://www.teardropparts.com/sub-pages/teardrop-moldings.htm

A wide selection of trim and seals can be found here.

http://www.trimlok.com/

T-molding and drip molding

http://www.teardrops.net/LilBear/parts.html#LicensePlateBracket

It can save you a lot of \$ in shipping if you check local RV sales and repair places before ordering online. Often times you can get better prices from them because they will sometimes have leftover stock from repair jobs.

### Insulation

### • Insulating your trailer

Is entirely a personal choice, if you decide to insulate you will find that most use the pink or blue like these:

http://www.owenscorning.com/around/insulation/products/foamular.asp http://www.dow.com/styrofoam/na/iso/tuff\_r.htm

Foil bubble foil or FBF insulation has a very good R value and is easy to work with It can be found in the big box stores and HVAC suppliers. If you don't see it anywhere else check the aisles that have duct work it can usually be found there.

http://www.radiantbarrier.com/tempshield\_single\_bubble\_double\_.htm

Another option for those that don't mind spending the extra bucks to make sure every nook and cranny is well insulated would be the spray in foam that can be purchased in a DIY kit now. A little pricey but will definitely do the job.

http://www.fomofoam.com/index.htm

### **Specialty Coatings**

### • Epoxy coatings

West System epoxy coating products

http://www.westsystem.com/

http://www.raka.com/

http://www.shopmaninc.com/epoxy.html

http://www.rotdoctor.com/ source for CPES

# **Woodworking Specialty Suppliers**

### • Hard to find woodworking bits and pieces

A myriad of parts and pieces, hinges and brackets and other woodworking supplies can be found here

http://www.leevalley.com/

http://www.rockler.com/

http://www.constantines.com/

http://woodworker.com/

http://wwhardware.com/

For those looking for older style hardware this place may have it

http://www.vandykes.com/

Here's a couple of links to a lot of woodworkers supplies and resources

http://www.morlanwoodgifts.com/

http://www.internetwoodworking.com/

# Individual parts listings by part

#### • Latches, handles

Hatch Latches – Latches for holding your galley hatch closed.

http://austinhardware.com/product.asp?dept\_id=134&pf\_id=1344

http://www.mcmaster.com/ Page # 2788 Part # 1863A22

http://www.rockler.com/product.cfm?page=435

<a href="http://www.teardroptrailers.net/parts/latch/latch.htm">http://www.teardroptrailers.net/parts/latch/latch.htm</a> ....best to contact by phone...phone # is 530 878-0407

http://www.teardropparts.com/sub-pages/teardrop-hardware.htm

Cupboard Latches – Latches for holding your cabin and galley cupboard doors closed <a href="http://www.rockler.com/findit.cfm?cookietest=1&page=1375">http://www.rockler.com/findit.cfm?cookietest=1&page=1375</a>

Entrance door latches – Old style flat steel door latches

<a href="http://www.teardroptrailers.net/parts/latch/latch.htm">http://www.teardroptrailers.net/parts/latch/latch.htm</a> ....best to contact by phone...phone # is 530 878-0407

http://www.teardropparts.com/sub-pages/teardrop-hardware.htm

Old style latches and handles

http://www.teardrops.net/LilBear/parts.html#handles

I have also seen standard door hardware and screen door hardware used for the cabin doors. The thickness of the doors will be the determining factor in what you can use. Shims could also be used to get the thickness you need.

### **Drawer Slides**

#### • Drawer Slides

Here is a good selection listed by extension and capacities <a href="http://www.rockler.com/search\_results.cfm?filter=drawer+slides&submit.x=10&submit.y">http://www.rockler.com/search\_results.cfm?filter=drawer+slides&submit.x=10&submit.y=6</a>

http://www.austinhardware.com/dept.asp?dept%5Fid=7

A large selection of drawer slides are available locally at the big box stores and other hardware stores so it is best to shop around before paying shipping on something you can pick up down the road.

## **Electric Parts/Supplies**

### • Grand Brass Lamp Parts

Unusual in that their primary sales are lamp fixtures, parts and pieces, antique to modern. http://www.grandbrass.com/

Porch lights

https://www.rvsurplussalvage.com/catalog/display.php?product\_id=1002 https://www.rvsurplussalvage.com/catalog/display.php?product\_id=1003 https://www.rvsurplussalvage.com/catalog/display.php?product\_id=1001

Interior dome lights

http://www.teardrops.net/LilBear/parts.html#LicensePlateBracket

Battery cutoff switch

https://www.rvsurplussalvage.com/catalog/display.php?product\_id=1111

Converters, Inverters, 12v electric supplies

http://pplmotorhomes.com/parts/rv-converters-electrical-batteries-1.htm#Batteries http://www.bestconverter.com/

Marine breaker panels and other electrical parts

http://www.boatersworld.com/webapp/wcs/stores/servlet/CategoryDisplay?storeId=1005 1&catalogId=10051&langId=-1&categoryId=310029&bct=t249085

http://www.westmarine.com/webapp/wcs/stores/servlet/ProductDisplay?storeId=10001&langId=-

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Electrical power inlet - 15amp

 $\frac{\text{http://www.outdoorsuperstore.com/store/products/productDisplay.asp?productID=25951}}{3}$ 

http://www.rvstuffusa.com/powerinletsbymarinco.html

http://www.hubbell-marine.com/pdf%20files/msection3.pdf ----- page 33 --- no. hbl61cm64

https://www.rvpartsoutlet.com/newstore/nojava/showprod.cfm?ID=2696&refid=14ECD1 A8%2DD9F8%2D49A5%2D8BC6237E27024D8D

Electric power inlet – 30amp

http://www.vintagetrailersupply.com/ProductDetails.asp?ProductCode=VTS%2D272 http://www.vintagetrailersupply.com/ProductDetails.asp?ProductCode=VTS%2D274 http://reserveamerica.campingworld.com/browse/skus/index.cfm?skunum=28231&src=C ROS

Digital and analog panel mountable volt meters

http://www.allelectronics.com/cgi-

 $\frac{bin/category.cgi?type=store\&category=385\&orderby=INVENTORY\%2Estore\%5Fquantity\%2CORGANIZATION\%2Ecategory\%2CINVENTORY\%2Ebrand\%2CINVENTORY\%2Emodel\&start=0$ 

A build it yourself battery monitor kit

http://www.futurlec.com/CarBatteryMonitor.shtml

Huge assortment of 12v electric switches, toggle, rocker, push-button

http://www.action-electronics.com/switches.htm#Guard

This place has just about everything electrical including 12v/110v breakers at much better prices than the marine stuff. Can't hot link this site.

<a href="http://www.waytekwire.com">http://www.waytekwire.com</a> for breakers go to the site and click 'products' put this # '46482' in the product search block

Pre-made electrical panels can be found here

http://americandirect.ibuilder.com/

Battery charger

http://www.batterymart.com/battery.mv?p=DEL-022-0157-1

### Cloth

### • Awning cloth, upholstery cloth, TD cover cloth

A large variety of useful cloth can be found here, sold by the yard in various widths. Doesn't look terribly expensive but certainly not cheap but if you can do your own sewing it could probably save a pile of money over buying pre-made.

http://www.glfi.com/index.html

This looks like it could be another good cloth site for theme material.

http://www.pmquilting.com/index.php

Tent and awning cloth

http://www.owfinc.com/

You can find the parts to build your own custom shelters here

http://www.creativeshelters.com/

Pre-made universal awnings

http://www.enelcompany.com/Awning.ivnu

Vinyl coated fabric

http://www.rochfordsupply.com/product\_listing.asp\_Q\_CatID\_E\_419\_A\_SubCatID\_E\_487\_A\_ProdID\_E\_3410

# Venting

#### • Vent hole covers

West Marine at <a href="http://www.westmarine.com/">http://www.westmarine.com/</a> is useful for a lot of supplies, vent hole covers, often referred to as clamshell covers are one of them

http://www.westmarine.com/webapp/wcs/stores/servlet/ProductDisplay?storeId=10001&langId=-1&catalogId=10001&productId=21643

# **Plumbing Supplies**

#### Sinks

Round and square sinks

http://www.teardropparts.com/sub-pages/plumbing-teardrop-trailers.htm

### • Spigots

Galley hand pump spigot

http://www.teardropparts.com/sub-pages/plumbing-teardrop-trailers.htm

### • Water tanks

Low profile water fresh water tank

http://www.teardropparts.com/sub-pages/plumbing-teardrop-trailers.htm

http://www.icwhitnev.com/autoparts/ProductDisplay/c-10107/s-10101/p-

169279/mediaCode-ZX/appId-129536

Custom made freshwater tanks

http://www.tank-depot.com/Default.aspx?

Water tanks

http://www.pplmotorhomes.com/parts/rv-pumps-water/rv-water-tanks.htm

### • Water fill adapters

Various water fill ports and hose adapters

https://www.rvsurplussalvage.com/catalog/display.php?category\_id=73

### • Electric water pump

http://www.jcwhitney.com/autoparts/ProductDisplay/s-10101/p-1179/c-10107

# **Galley Hatch**

### Hatch props

Gas spring struts

http://www.austinhardware.com/dept.asp?dept%5Fid=253

Manual hatch props

http://www.austinhardware.com/dept.asp?dept%5Fid=121

Automatic spring hatch props

http://www.thomasregister.com/olc/SmartCat.aspx?az=72827629&type=details&ptno=DH-11854&template=http://www.spdhardware.com/spdecomm.htm

#### Hatch latches

Lockable galley latches

http://austinhardware.com/product.asp?dept%5Fid=134&pf%5Fid=1364

# Heating/Air conditioning

#### • Forced air furnaces

RV forced air furnaces that will fit in your Tear

http://www.ducktec.com/evereststar.htm

More furnaces

http://www.rvpartsonline.com/furnaceslpgas/Page1.html

A somewhat pricey heating and A/C unit that some TD'ers have used successfully called The Pet Cool

http://www.atrendyhome.com/noname10.html

Here is an alternate cooling system, slightly labor intensive but functional none the less these can also be custom built by you to meet your needs;

http://www.kooleraire.com/

### Other useful items (maybe)

### Door Vent Shades

Vent shades/drip caps for over the cabin doors

http://www.rvlifestyles.net/Parts.aspx?id=5920000022113&subcatid=8660000015019&CategoryNumber=06&Magic=9RBVX0710140037777&DealerID=001003982890&GUID=7b8191b2-3afb-486a-aa41-9685744289a1

### http://www.mobile-mart.com/dripcap.htm

#### Blenders

Need a blender for those Margaritas that doesn't run off of 110v but will still get the job done? Try one of these:

The Blender Blaster

http://www.blenderblaster.com/blenderblaster/

And for those with a slightly smaller budget there is the

**Boat Blender** 

http://www.boatblender.com/

Another for those with good arms

http://www.pebbleshop.com/store/330340.html

### • Cookware

A good source of graniteware cookware and other camping supplies

http://www.peak62.com/

An interesting novelty griddle

http://www.roadkillgriddle.com/custom.html

### Coffee grinder

http://www.campmor.com/webapp/wcs/stores/servlet/ProductDisplay?productId=13474 &memberId=12500226

### • Adjustable table leg

https://www.rvsurplussalvage.com/catalog/display.php?product\_id=2343

### • Table pedestal

http://www.jcwhitney.com/autoparts/ProductDisplay/c-10107/s-10101/p-163704/mediaCode-ZX/appId-172878

### • 12v electric bed heaters

http://www.electrowarmth.com/

### • Table pedestal and hardware

http://www.tjtrailers.com/store/table-hardware.html

#### Mattress and cushion foam – custom cut

Knox Foam will custom cut your mattress or seat cushion foam

http://www.knoxfoam.com/

FoamProducts.net also does custom cut memory foam mattresses

http://www.foamproducts.net/

This page has an entire list of memory foam suppliers

http://dmoz.org/Shopping/Home and Garden/Furniture/Bedroom/Mattresses/

### • Custom graphics for your trailer

### http://www.decalzone.com/

#### Coolers and ice boxes

Galley mounted ice boxes

http://www.formcoinc.com/ice.html

The stainless and painted Coleman coolers are very popular among TD'ers for their retro look

http://www.coleman.com/coleman/colemancom/detail.asp?product\_id=6155A707&categ oryid=8501

http://www.coleman.com/coleman/colemancom/detail.asp?product\_id=6154-

724&categoryid=8501

http://www.coleman.com/coleman/colemancom/detail.asp?product\_id=6154A720&categ oryid=8501

This one is particularly nice

http://www.coleman.com/coleman/colemancom/detail.asp?product\_id=6154-

724&categoryid=8501

Like to build your own cooler? Check out this guide

http://www.epoxyworks.com/19/Building\_Icebox.html

### Tongue boxes

Nice diamond plate tongue box

 $\frac{http://www.jcwhitney.com/webapp/wcs/stores/servlet/Item?storeId=10101\&Pr=p\_CATE\_NTRY\_ID\%3A405628\&mediaCode=ZX\&productId=2007185\&appId=405628\&langId=-1\&catalogId=10101$ 

### Roof racks and carriers

Roof racks for bikes, boats etc.

http://www.teardrops.net/LilBear/parts.html#RoofRack

### Propane parts

Propane bottles, regulators and adapters

http://www.cabelas.com/products/Cpod0013259.jsp

This is the adapter used to refill the 1lb propane bottles from a standard 20lb bottle

http://www.harborfreightusa.com/usa/itemdisplay/displayItem.do?itemid=45989&CategoryName=&SubCategoryName=

http://www.heatershop.com/1lb\_probane\_bottle\_fill\_kit.html

http://www.absolutehome.com/web/catalog/product\_detail.aspx?pid=70420&cm\_ven=N

exTag&cm\_cat=Outdoor&cm\_pla=Camp%20Chef&cm\_ite=Camp%20Chef-

Grilling%20Accessories-70420&srccode=cii\_9324560&cpncode=08-5705139-2

https://www.rvsurplussalvage.com/catalog/display.php?product\_id=1104

### • Easy ups and canopies

Screen rooms

http://www.pahaque.com/products-screenroomlg.html

http://www.pahaque.com/Merchant2/merchant.mvc?Screen=CTGY&Store\_Code=PQWO&Category\_Code=sr10x10

http://www.coleman.com/coleman/ColemanCom/subcategory.asp?CategoryID=11050

http://www.mcsports.com/category/index.jsp?categoryId=714752&cp=713364

http://www.dickssportinggoods.com/sm-canopies-screen-rooms--ci-714752\_cp-

713364.html

EZ UPS http://www.ezupdirect.com/

An SUV tent that could be used on the side of a Tear

http://store.summitracing.com/ Search 'SUV tent'

http://www.sportsmansguide.com/cb/cb.asp?a=189209

http://www.tentsontrucks.com/newsuvtent.htm

### • Stoves, ovens and grills

Stoves, ovens and combos that may work for you

 $\frac{http://www.northerntool.com/webapp/wcs/stores/servlet/ProductDisplay?storeId=6970\&productId=200317038\&R=200317038$ 

Camp oven

http://www.basspro.com/servlet/catalog.TextId?hvarTextId=10591&hvarDept=350&hvarEvent=&hvarClassCode=4&hvarSubCode=4&hvarTarget=browse

The Flamineta – a small 2 burner stove with oven can be found here

http://www.eagleappliances.co.za/display\_product\_3019.htm

Coleman grill

http://www.walmart.com/catalog/product.do?product\_id=895622

Coleman propane oven

http://www.cabelas.com/cabelas/en/templates/links/link.jsp;jsessionid=W2UEZXQKG1F LPTQSNOFSCN4OCJVY2IWE?id=0036299517178a&type=product&cmCat=search&r eturnString=hasJS=true&\_D%3AhasJS=+&QueryText=oven&\_DARGS=%2Fcabelas%2 Fen%2Fcommon%2Fsearch-

box.jsp.22&N=4887&Ntk=Products&Ntx=mode+matchall&Nty=1&Ntt=oven&noImage =0&returnPage=search-results1.jsp&\_requestid=68583

Coleman prop oven

http://www.coleman.com/coleman/colemancom/detail.asp?product\_id=9927-

A50&categoryid=2010

Outback stove/oven combo

http://www.cabelas.com/cabelas/en/templates/links/link.jsp?id=0030006517180a&type=product&cmCat=search&returnString=hasJS=true&\_D%3AhasJS=+&QueryText=oven&Go.x=0&Go.y=0&\_DARGS=%2Fcabelas%2Fen%2Fcommon%2Fsearch%2Fsearch-box.jsp.22&N=4887&Ntk=Products&Ntx=mode+matchall&Nty=1&Ntt=oven&noImage=0&returnPage=search-results1.jsp

### • CAD Programs

Here are links to some CAD programs that might be useful, some free, some not so free (some tutorials also)

Ironcad trial

http://www.ironcad.com/product/

Ironcad tutorial

http://www.ironcad.com/download/ironcad/tutorials/

Free TurboCAD site

http://www.al-ki.com/tcad/download.php#TurboCADLE

More free CAD stuff

http://www.architecturalcadd.com/bsa/software12.htm

#### • Table Brackets

Here are some brackets used to hold your table to the side of your TD (inside or out) <a href="http://www.leevalley.com/hardware/page.aspx?c=2&p=40350&cat=3,43715,43716&ap=1">http://www.leevalley.com/hardware/page.aspx?c=2&p=40350&cat=3,43715,43716&ap=1</a>

Stainless ones for outside use

http://www.sailorsams.com/mall/table-mounts-removable.asp

# **Out of country parts lists**

### (these may be of some help to you folks)

### • Aluminum suppliers

This site looks like a good source for aluminum, latches, handles, windows, doors, roof vents, etc. Look around. They've got lots of stuff.

 $\underline{http://www.caralu.nl/login.php/language/EN?osCsid=1e3937a156e2309b9ec24443ac2dad54}$ 

### Knot tying website might be useful

http://www.animatedknots.com/