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PROGRESSIVE - ORGANIC - DESIGN
WEAR & CARE GUIDE



VESTA

Vesta Hartman Garcia came to the babywearing industry by creating solutions to fit her life and goals. After her daughter was born in 2002, a limited selection of baby carriers on the market led Vesta down a path that ultimately led to Ellaroo.

ELLAROO

Ellaroo was founded in 2003 as a reliable source of superior baby carriers, and to be an economically, socially, and environmentally sustainable business. The product list has grown gradually, always focused on well-crafted designs that are practical and convenient for parents. Addressing challenges with unshakable principles has contributed to the company's enormous success. The result is a small environmental footprint, products that carry an uncompromising guarantee, and a collaborative team of people who enjoy and take pride in their work.

PRODUCTS

Ellaroo strives to use sustainable materials and always uses non-toxic dyes. Ellaroo baby carriers can be used for children up to 35 lbs or more, and will last for many years of use. Long-term investment and a commitment to quality translate into durability. A longer product life means better value and less waste.

PRODUCTION

Ellaroo production partners in India are committed to organics and sustainable business practices, and choose to work with companies like Ellaroo that care about people and the environment. Ellaroo Guatemalan weavers' cooperatives provide good jobs and a supportive community in small villages, helping to keep families together. Without these jobs, workers might only find employment in the big cities, far away from loved ones.

VALUES

It is essential to the Ellaroo team that our work contributes something meaningful to other people's lives. Ellaroo has a mission to improve people's lives – farmers, craftspeople who make the products, staff, resellers, parents and babies – at every level of business interactions.

To learn more or to share your Ellaroo story, please visit www.ellaroo.com.



Ring Sling

Elegant design, with a touch of padding in the shoulder and rails. Lightweight brushed aluminum rings and an open tail combine for maximum adjustability and versatility. Designed to cup the shoulder and spread naturally over the back, keeping baby secure and close to your center of gravity. Perfect for newborns, nursing, and hip carries.

WEARING TIPS

Success with any baby sling takes a little practice. You can ease the process by making sure that baby is fed, rested, and happy before you try the Ring Sling the first few times. It won't be long before you will both turn to the Ring Sling for comfort.

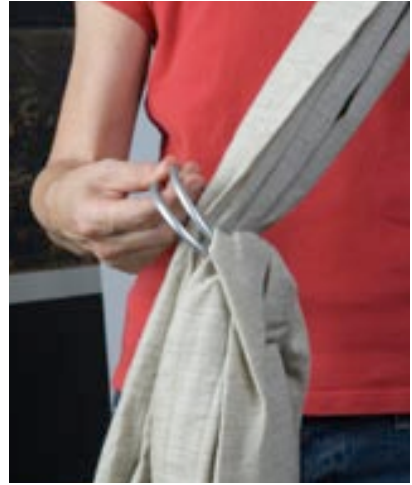
CARE INSTRUCTIONS

Machine wash cold, gentle cycle. Hang in a well-ventilated area to dry.

GETTING STARTED - VERY IMPORTANT



1. Gather the tail in one hand, while holding the rings in the other hand. Make sure the fabric isn't twisted.



2. Pull the tail up through the middle of both rings.



3. Double back and thread the tail over the outside ring and through the middle of the inside ring.



4. Make sure that the fabric of the tail is spread evenly through the rings, and both rails are accessible for adjustments.



5. With the rings toward the front, take the rings in your dominant hand and place your other arm through the Sling.



6. Bring the Sling over your head and place the shoulder pad on your shoulder.

WEARING TIPS

The purpose of the Ring Sling is to replace your arms in holding your baby in a normal position (e.g. cradled, or on the hip).

You should hold baby in the position that you and he prefer, and tighten the Ring Sling around him until you can remove your arms without losing the position.

The most comfortable and secure position for baby is above your waist, snug against your body. If baby is hanging too low, you will most likely feel some pain in your back.

Baby will acclimate to the Ring Sling much faster if you walk around while he's getting used to it.

CRADLE CARRY (INFANTS AND NURSING)



1. Cradle baby in your non-dominant arm.



2. Open pouch of the Sling with your free hand and slide baby into Sling, bottom first, with feet crossed on top of baby's body.



3. Pull the rails up around baby until baby is nestled into pouch.



4. Tighten the rails through the rings so that baby is supported in the desired position, with head cradled by the outer rail.

*See Newborns safety precautions.

KANGAROO CARRY (AFTER HEAD CONTROL)



1. You may find it most comfortable to switch the sling to your non-dominant shoulder.



2. Face baby away from you, on your non-dominant shoulder, with legs folded in front of her body.



3. Open pouch of the Sling with your free hand and slide baby into Sling, bottom first.



4. Tighten the rails through the rings so that baby is supported in the desired position, with the outer rail snug up to the arms.

HIP CARRY (AFTER HEAD CONTROL)



1. Take baby over your non-dominant shoulder.



2. Open the pouch of sling to form a seat, and slide baby's bottom down into the seat. Tighten sling by pulling tail through the rings.



3. Adjust the inner rail to baby's knees and outer rail to baby's armpits (for comfort and security).



4. Tighten each rail by pulling them through the rings until baby is supported snugly and close to your center of gravity.



5. Make sure the rings are sitting at corsage level, and that baby is sitting upright, rather than leaning away from your body.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

When wearing the Ring Sling, there should be at least 8 inches of “tail” hanging down from the rings. If there is less, you need a larger size.

Keep an arm around baby when bending over.

A baby carrier is not meant to be a safety restraint in the car or airplane.

Do not use the Ring Sling while cooking.

Do not use the sling with an uncooperative child.

Newborns - Be sure that the fabric of the Ring Sling creates a pocket that baby can settle into, with the rails pulled snug.

Always be aware of baby's position in the Ring Sling. In particular, make sure that baby's chin is not pressed into her chest and her airways are clear. If she needs more support under her back, you can fold a receiving blanket and place it underneath baby's back in the Ring Sling.

Toddlers - The most secure position for the fabric rails is pulled up to the armpits, and all the way to the knees. Be alert for arching or straightening of the body, both of which can cause the fabric to shift.

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