



**Softbox**  
**Stripbank™**  
**Octabank™**

**Quick Start Guide**

# Rectangular Softbox

## Included Components



Softbox



4 x Assembly  
Rods



Inner Baffle

*Shallow softboxes do not include an Inner baffle.*



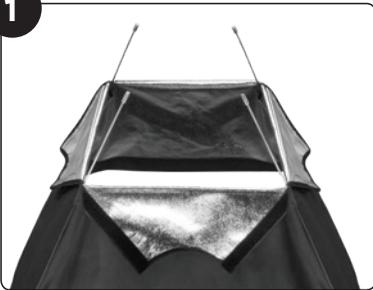
Outer Diffusion  
Panel



Carry Case

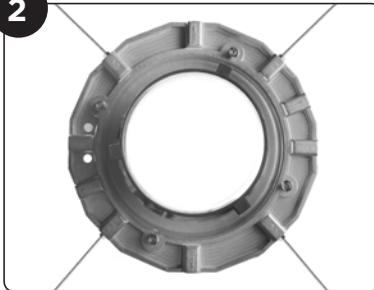
## Softbox Assembly

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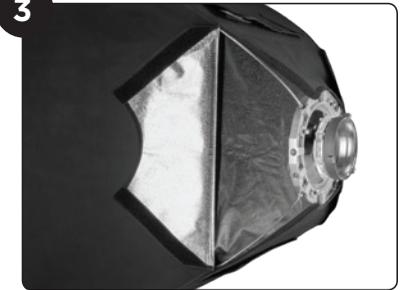
Insert an assembly rod into each of the rod sleeves, located on the inside of the softbox. Then, place the front face of the softbox onto a flat surface and spread rods apart to maintain their proper order.

2



Insert one rod into hole *R1* of your speedring. Then, insert the rod located across into hole *R3*. Place remaining rods into holes *R2* and *R4*.

3



Seal rear panel around speedring to eliminate any potential light loss.

*Reference your light head manual for proper attachment and positioning of your softbox and speedring.*

## Attaching Diffusion Fabrics

An internal baffle helps eliminate hot spots when using high-powered off-camera flashes. The internal baffle is not recommended for use with tungsten and halogen lights due to their high temperature output. To use, simply locate the elastic straps inside the softbox and snap baffle into place.



The front diffusion panel attaches to the front edge of the softbox via hook-and-loop tape. The panel can be recessed for more directional light control or placed along the outer most edge for wider light spread.



## Detaching from a Speedring

1. Remove the front diffusion panel and inner baffle.
2. Remove the softbox and speedring from the light head.
3. Place the softbox onto a flat surface face down. Remove the rods following the same order listed in set up.

**CAUTION: ALL RODS MUST BE SEATED COMPLETELY INTO THE HOLES OF THE RING. FAILURE TO DO SO COULD DAMAGE THE SOFTBOX, THE LIGHTING UNIT OR CAUSE PERSONAL INJURY.**

# Stripbank™

## Included Components



Stripbank



4 x Assembly  
Rods



2 x Inner  
Baffles



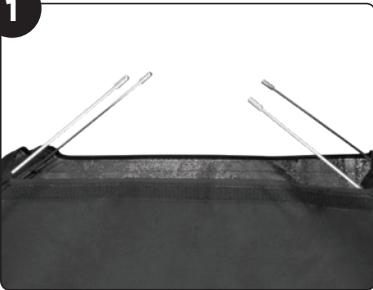
Outer Diffusion  
Panel



Carry Case

## Stripbank Assembly

1



Insert an assembly rod into each one of the rod sleeves, located on the inside of the Stripbank. Then, place the front face of the Stripbank onto a flat surface and spread rods apart to maintain their proper order.

2



Insert one rod into hole *Strip 1* of your speedring. Then, insert the rod located across into hole *Strip 3*. Place remaining rods into holes *Strip 2* and *Strip 4*.

3



Attach heat-resistant back collar onto the rear of the Stripbank to cover the accessible area with exposed rods.

*Reference your light head manual for proper attachment and positioning of your Stripbank and speedring.*

## Attaching Diffusion Fabrics

The Stripbank contains two internal baffles. The baffle with the silver center provides a more even spread of light with less falloff from center to edge. The standard white baffle provides a greater hot spot and specular highlights. To use, simply locate the elastic straps inside the softbox and snap the baffle into place.



The front diffusion panel attaches to the front edge of the Stripbank via hook-and-loop tape. The panel can be recessed for more directional light control or placed along the outer most edge for wider light spread.



## Detaching from a Speedring

1. Remove the front diffusion panel and inner baffle.
2. Remove the Stripbank and speedring from the light head.
3. Place the Stripbank onto a flat surface face down. Remove the rods following the same order listed in set up.

**CAUTION: ALL RODS MUST BE SEATED COMPLETELY INTO THE HOLES OF THE RING. FAILURE TO DO SO COULD DAMAGE THE SOFTBOX, THE LIGHTING UNIT OR CAUSE PERSONAL INJURY.**

## Included Components



Octabank



8 x Assembly  
Rods



Inner Baffle



Outer Diffusion  
Panel



Carry Case

## Octabank Assembly

1



Insert an assembly rod into each of the rod sleeves, located on the inside of the Octabank. Then, place the front face of the Octabank onto a flat surface and spread rods apart to maintain their proper order.

2



Insert one rod into hole *R1* of your speedring. Then, insert the rod located across into the corresponding hole. Next, insert a rod into hole *R2*. Continue alternating between rods until complete.

3



Attach heat-resistant back collar onto the rear of the Octabank to cover the accessible area with exposed rods.

*Reference your light head manual for proper attachment and positioning of your Octabank and speedring.*

## Attaching Diffusion Fabrics

An internal baffle helps eliminate hot spots when using high-powered off-camera flashes. The internal baffle is not recommended for use with tungsten and halogen lights due to their high temperature output. To use, simply locate the elastic straps inside the Octabank and snap baffle into place.



The front diffusion panel attaches to the front of the Octabank. The 5' Octabank diffusion panel can be recessed for more directional light control or placed along the outer most edge for wider light spread.



## Detaching from a Speedring

1. Remove the front diffusion panel and inner baffle.
2. Remove the Octabank and speedring from the light head.
3. Place the Octabank onto a flat surface face down. Remove the rods following the same order listed in set up.

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# Care Instructions

Gently spot clean diffusion panels by hand with a damp cloth. Do not apply cleaner to the reflective surface, as this may damage the product.

# Optional Accessories



## Egg Crate Grids

Egg Crate Grids limit the light spread from the front face of a softbox to 40-degrees. It is an ideal accessory when controlling the light pattern is crucial, such as avoiding a hairlight spilling onto a background.



## Grid Cloths

Grid Cloths provide less diffusion for a greater punch of light, offering either 1/2-stop or 1/4-stop diffusion cloths.



## Speedrings

Utilizing a speedring from Westcott will allow 360-degree rotation of the softbox, Stripbank, or Octabank.

Visit [FJWESTCOTT.COM](https://www.fjwestcott.com) for more details and availability.



## Westcott Cares About the Environment

Recycling electronics and light bulbs is a great way to reduce your environmental impact and ensure that you're playing your part in preserving an environment that can be enjoyed by future generations. Many retail stores have bins designed for recycling these items. You can also contact a local recycling center to inquire about recycling your electronics and bulbs there.

# Warranty

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