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1 Use a screwdriver to pry out the plastic cap on the underside of the swing arm, revealing the hole for the shock absorber brackets. Some chassis may already have the brackets welded in place. If so skip to step 5.

2 Take the two brackets from the shock absorber kit.

3 Open up the brackets and hold them so the top edges are aligned, and slot them into the hole under the swing arm.

4 Pull the brackets together to lock them in place. Check the brackets are correctly positioned by ensuring the arrows engraved into the brackets are pointing to the front of the trailer or caravan. Note that there will be a gap at the bottom of the two brackets.

5 Take the shock absorber, and with the coloured section at the top, and black section at the bottom, insert the top screw into the middle hole on the chassis and secure with an M12 lock nut.

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6 Insert the bottom screw into the holes in the brackets. It may be necessary to compress or extend the shock absorber to facilitate this step.

7 Secure the bottom screw with a nut and tighten to 86Nm using a torque wrench.

8 Tighten the top screw to 86Nm using a torque wrench.

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