



Wilderness Survival Winter Field Session

This course takes you beyond the *Wilderness Survival Core Seminar* allowing you to gain confidence in solid modern survival techniques that can be quickly applied in the *Montane* or *Boreal* Environments. This training gives you the chance to develop and practice winter survival skills, in has a relaxed hands-on learning atmosphere. It will allow you an excellent look at the challenges of Montane or Boreal Forest survival in winter.

Emphasis will be on useful boreal forest resources, fire lighting, shelter building, survival tools, and knifecraft. Each participant will have the opportunity to build a winter survival shelter, and a survival saw. Firecraft practice will be extensive and emphasize will be on lighting fire with natural tinder and a flint striker. Participants will build and then live in a 2-person survival shelter for the night. The following points will be discussed and practiced on the course:

The Boreal Forest

- Trees of the Boreal Forest
- Useful plants of the Winter Forest
- Identification of Aspect / Slope
- Best Survival Camp Locations

Knifecraft

- Selection of a good Survival Knife
- Basic Knife Handling
- Construction of a Sharpening Board
- Knife Sharpening

Survival Tools

- Build a Baton
- Build a "15 Minute Saw"
- Basic Notches
- Useful Knots

Signal Fire (Group Project)

- Signal Fire Twig Bundle
- Build a Signal Fire
- Lighting a Signal Fire

Fire Lighting

- Artificial and Natural Tinder
- Firelighting Aids
- Lighting a Fire with a Zirconium Striker
- Twig Bundles
- Survival Twig Bundles
- Building a Survival Fire
- Getting a Fire started
- Keeping a Fire burning
- Selection of Proper Wood
- Cooking Cranes
- Cooking with a Survival fire

Shelter Building

- Selection of Winter Survival Shelter
- Improvised Shelters
- Supershelter
- Survival Lean-to
- Build a Bough Bed
- Build a 2 Person Survival Shelter
- Winter Camping Techniques

Prerequisite: *Wilderness Survival Core Seminar*

Location: Boreal Forest Location or as Contracted

Dates: As per Web Site Calendar or as Contracted [Groups of 5 or more]

Cost: \$255 per person or \$550 per day plus \$10 per person [Groups of 5 or more]

Course Time Frame: 1 Weekend or 2 Days.