



Wilderness Survival Summer Field Session [WSSFS]

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 summer 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 summer.

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 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 solo or 2-person survival shelter for the night. The following points will be discussed and practiced on the course:

Knifecraft

- Selecting a good Survival Knife
- Basic Knife Handling
- Construct a Sharpening Board
- Knife Sharpening

Survival Tools

- Build & Use a Baton
- Basic Notches
- Useful Knots

Fire Lighting

- Finding Natural Tinder
- Finding Natural Fire Lighting Aids
- Fire Lighting with a Striker
- Basic Twig Bundles
- Getting a Fire Started
- Keeping a Fire Burning
- Selection of Proper Wood

- Cooking with a Cooking Fire
- Cooking with a Stick Burner
- Using a Kelly Kettle

Shelter Building

- Selection of Summer Survival Shelters
- Improvised Shelters
- Poncho Shelters
- Build a Bough Bed
- Build a 2 Person Survival Shelter
- Summer Camping Techniques

The Boreal Forest

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

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: \$275 per person or \$1200 plus \$20 per person [Groups of 5 or more]

Course Time Frame: 2 Days