

Fieldcraft Equipment

Into the Wild Equipment List



The following equipment list is provided to prepare for the Into The Wild courses. The list is divided into "Need" List and "Good to Have" List. While no equipment is absolutely required for participation in the course, the "need" list is the basic equipment needed to complete all of the tasks presented in the course; the "good to have" list will help participants to practice all of the skills presented, and prepare for future outings.

In addition to the items on this list, it is also recommended that you carry a small notebook and pencil/pen in a waterproof bag.

Equipment "Need" List

Swiss Army Knife or Leatherman-style Multitool

Any multi-tool that has a cutting blade, and a saw blade will fulfill the needs of the course.

[Swiss Army Knife - Fieldmaster model](#)

- the Fieldmaster model is equipped with the standard large blade, small blade, screwdrivers, can and bottle openers, awl/reamer, scissors, and saw blade.



This model includes all of the tools that would be needed for any carving or crafting tasks, and first aid tasks.

(the link above takes you to an Amazon site)

Paracord - 50 feet (minimum)

- essential for setting up a shelter as presented in the course, as well as some of the projects presented during the course.

- available at WalMart in the "camping" section in both 50 foot and 100 foot lengths



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Survival Blanket

- This is essential for the practical application phase of the shelter set-up methods presented in the course.
- A lightweight tarp measuring approximately 7' by 5' will also fulfill this equipment need.

- available at WalMart in the "camping" section



Stainless Steel Cup

- this is essential for the disinfection of water as presented during the course. It can also be used to cook and eat food prepared in the field.
- a military surplus canteen cup would also serve well in this capacity

- available at WalMart in the "camping" section



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Good to Have Equipment

Single-wall Stainless Steel Bottle

- this is used for the disinfection of water that is presented as part of the course. It is not required for the course, but is useful for future outings and will never wear out.

- *make sure that any bottle that you purchase is not insulated, but a single wall construction bottle*

- available at WalMart in the "camping" section



Disposable Lighter

- instant fire. Always a good thing if you find yourself in a survival situation. Learn how to "field prep" a disposable lighter for the field in the Fire Crafting segment of the course.



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Poncho

- a military surplus poncho or similar poncho serves as more than just rain gear in the field. Part of the presentation on shelter set-up incorporates the use of military surplus ponchos.

- ponchos are available on the "Amazon" shopping website, just be sure that any poncho that you plan to purchase is a "military surplus", or has a "military grade" rating

[Arcturus poncho on Amazon](#)

