



Hammock and Tarp Camping



Things you need to learn

- How to tie a few knots
- How to set up a hammock and tarp
- The Leave No trace principles and practice
- How to travel light
- How to cook on a stove
- Map and compass skills

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With the advent, in recent years, of backwoods and survival trek programmes hammock and tarp camping has become as popular as a light weight trekking option.

After a hard days walking or trekking the hammock is a comfortable alternative to a hard ground bed in a tent. It is also like bivouacking as the tarp is a cover rather than a closed in tent. You might say it is a closer to nature experience.

You can buy or make your own hammocks but the real skill that needs to be learnt is how to erect your hammock so you don't have any nasty surprises in the night as your knots become undone or snap.

Finding the right location is also important and you will need to plan your adventure so you arrive at suitable hammocking locations each night.