



THE
BUSHCRAFT
company

**NOT EVERYTHING
CAN BE TAUGHT
IN A CLASSROOM...**

Back to nature residential
trips for students aged
Year 3 – Year 8 across
the UK

Who are the Bushcraft Company?

The Bushcraft Company is a **leading provider of outdoor education**, offering a range of real outdoor adventures to schools across the country. Started over ten years ago, the company has grown from running basic survival activities with small groups, to providing **2-5 day residential trips**, for over **40,000 students a year**, at multiple locations across the UK.

What sort of activities will the children take part in?



The children will take part in these sorts of activities:

- Fire building,
- shelter building,
- wilderness first aid,
- trap making,
- learning about camouflage and concealment,
- wilderness walk,
- scenario S.O.S.
- evening games,

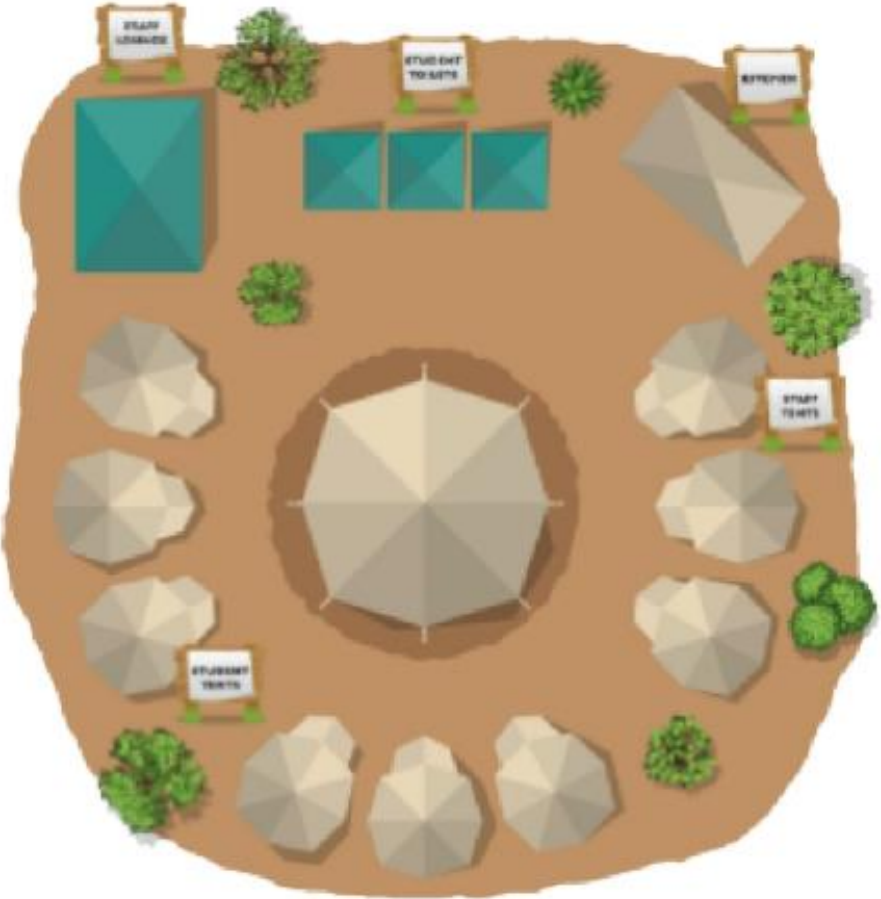
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ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION
Shelter Building	The students will learn why we need shelter when we are living outside and the types of shelter from different societies and nationalities across the ages. Tribes will build their own shelter, using natural woodland materials
Camp Craft	This is a chance for the tribes to develop a tribal identity, making fun tribal flags, dances and songs.
Wilderness First Aid	The students will learn basic skills to cope with a medical emergency in the wild, including how to construct a simple stretcher from the items you have on you, and how to improvise and effective splint.
Pottery/Moulding	Unleash your inner artist! Under the guidance of our brilliant staff, children can let their imagination run wild in the wilderness! Designing and sculpting their work of art around the campfire, they will bring home their wonderful creations at the end of camp.
Cutting Tools	Students will learn about the different tools used in the field of Bushcraft, both primitive and modern, and reasons for their use. They will be taught safe handling techniques and will make their own tent peg
Wilderness Walk	You will go on to an adventure into the woods and learning about the trees and nature surrounding us.
Scenario SOS	The students will put their new skills to the test and work in teams, using navigation to locate a simulated plane-crash scene, where they will treat the casualties and make improvised stretchers to evacuate them back to camp.
Trap Making	The students will be taught why it is important to find food in remote settings, and how this has been achieved over the ages. Our instructors will demonstrate trapping methods, before each tribe designs and builds their own trap.
Bushcraft Challenge	The teams will participate in a series of fun but challenging initiative exercise that will really put them to the test, both mentally and physically. This is a great team-building activity and demands trust and communication.
Camouflage & Concealment	Students will take part in a fun camouflage and concealment exercise, employing team tactics and making the most of their surroundings to camouflage themselves and evade capture.

What could the 3 day trip look like?

DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3
	Breakfast	Breakfast
Arrival, Safety Brief and Welcome	Wilderness First Aid	Trap Making
SNACK	SNACK	SNACK
Fire Lighting	Scenario SOS	Bushcraft Challenge
LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
Camp Craft / Camouflage & Concealment	Cutting Tools	Strike Camp & Depart
SNACK	SNACK	
Shelter Building	Wilderness Walk	
DINNER	DINNER	
Evening Games	Evening Games	
Night-time Routine & Bed	Night-time Routine & Bed	

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A Bushcraft camp is made up of a large central yurt where activities start and we have a few meal times. It has a central camp fire and is the heart of the camp. This is surrounded by smaller bell tents which the students sleep in, a camp kitchen area, hydration station and flushing port-a-loos.

On every camp the students will sleep in single sex tent groups, in our large safari-style bell tents. All our bell tents are custom made, with a canvas inner and a waterproof cover, so students will stay warm and dry. Overnight the students will be looked after by our Tribe Leaders, with members of our staff sleeping underneath a central yurt, within 20 paces of the student tents. School teachers will sleep in allocated Teacher Tents, within viewing distance of the students.

What will the children eat?



→ **BREAKFAST**
Continental breakfast

→ **LUNCH**
Wood fired pizza
BBQ burgers with fried potatoes & vegetables
Bolognese pasta with garlic bread



→ **DINNER**
Mac & cheese
Curry with naan bread
Sausages and mash



→ **PUDDINGS & SNACKS**
Apple crumble & custard
Chocolate brownie
S'mores
Popcorn
Flapjack



All our meals are freshly cooked in our amazing woodland kitchen by our amazing camp chefs! They cook over open fires, gas fired hobs and wood fired ovens, so you get an authentic bushcraft experience. The menu changes daily, offering a variety of exciting meals and are made up of high-quality ingredients.

All lunch and dinner meals will be hot and they can cater for all dietary requirements, including vegan, vegetarian, halal, gluten free, lactose free and any other requirement, and every camp is a nut free zone.

What will the children need to take with them?

ESSENTIAL ITEMS TO PACK

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Large rucksack or holdall (for main luggage) | <input type="checkbox"/> Small rucksack to carry the essentials |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Warm sleeping bag (season 3 is recommended) | <input type="checkbox"/> Roll mat |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tracksuit or hardwearing trousers | <input type="checkbox"/> T-shirts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jumper or fleece | <input type="checkbox"/> Waterproof jacket and trousers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Socks and underwear | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 pairs of footwear (eg. walking boots and old trainers) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wash bag including toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, face wipes | <input type="checkbox"/> Towel(s) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medication (labelled with name and clear instructions on application/dosage required) | <input type="checkbox"/> Water bottles or hydration system |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol hand gel | <input type="checkbox"/> Torch (with fresh batteries) - a head torch is ideal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Insect repellent | |

Please do not feel the need to buy new and expensive items.

Please do pack enough clothes for a fresh change of clothes everyday.

Children will not be allowed to take mobile phones with them.

How much will the trip cost?

Total cost is £250.00 per child paid through iPay. This includes full board, participation in the activities and transport to and from Bushcraft.

Payment Plan:

- Deposit of £50 due Friday 18th October
- Four further instalments of £50 monthly
- Full amount to be paid by 15th February

What are the benefits to the children of going on the trip?

IMPROVED STUDENT RELATIONSHIPS

Working together outside of the classroom allows the students to bond in both new & conventional ways.

ENGAGEMENT

Residential trips are shown to improve long term student engagement in learning and education.

RESILIENCE

Meeting the challenges on camp creates the ability to bounce back and persevere.

CONFIDENCE

Experiencing different tasks gives students the confidence to try new things and not be afraid of failure.

WELL-BEING

Spending time outdoors, in the sunshine, has many physical and mental health benefits.

EXERCISE

Our camps are built around being active. Children should be active for at least an hour a day and getting outdoors is a great way to make sure this happens.

CREATIVITY

Time away from technology allows the students to think differently and discover new ways working.

CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT

Character development is as equally important as academic success. Challenging students ways of thinking, our trips are designed to build character and personality.