



*"The More You Carry In Your Head,
The Less You Carry On Your Back"*

Earth Skills and Bushcraft Yearlong Immersion Program

Curriculum Guide

Below is a guide to the curriculum of the Earth Skills and Bushcraft Yearlong Immersion Program. The guide below focuses on the major crafts and trips, but other aspects of the program, such as bush lore and nature knowledge are not listed. Therefore, to get an accurate picture of the program, you should also look at the information on [Bush Lore](#) and talk with us about our [naturalist studies](#) curriculum.

Fall Earth Skills Semester Program

Week 1	Bushcraft Immersion and Tracking
Week 2	Brown Ash Pack Baskets
Week 3	Blacksmithing and Making Crooked Knives
Week 4	St. Croix River Canoe Trip
Week 5	Making and Using Bows and Atlatls
Week 6	White Mountain Hike
Week 7	Felt Boots and Mukluks
Week 8	Building Snowshoe Frames, Traps and Trapping
Week 9	Snowshoe Lacing and Sleds
Week 10	Review and Independent Projects

Earth Skills Winter Program

Week 1	Winter Bushcraft, Survival, and Mammal Tracking
Week 2	Traditional Winter Skills Snowshoe Trip
Week 3	Traditional Winter Skills Snowshoe Trip, continued

Spring Earth Skills Semester Program

Week 1	Bushcraft Immersion, Fishing
Week 2	Braintanning and Hide Work, Advanced Fishing
Week 3	Wood Canvas Canoe Building
Week 4	Wood Canvas Canoe Building, continued
Week 5	Paddle Carving, Whitewater Poling and Paddling Clinic
Week 6	Root Baskets, Flintknapping and Advanced Primitive Skills
Week 7	St. John River Canoe Trip

Week 8	St. John River Canoe Trip, continued
Week 9	Herbalism and Wild Plants, Coastal Foraging
Week 10	White Mountain Hike, Independent Projects

Remote Summer Canoe Trip

This experience will be a Canadian canoe trip with some bushcraft, camping and fishing skills instruction built in. Our focus is on traveling and exploring the remote waterways and living by their schedule.

Fishing Camp

Focus on camping and fishing. Fly, spin and primitive techniques will be covered. There will be some basic instruction, but the vast majority of time will be spent on the water fishing. Participants are responsible for obtaining their own fishing license.

Hunting Camp

A week spent in the north woods focusing on hunting. Participants will be responsible for bringing their own bow or firearm, passing a hunter's safety class, and obtaining a hunting license.

Earth Skills Summer Program

A standalone course in bushcraft, survival and traditional living skills designed for people who don't have the time to participate in our spring and fall semester programs.

Week 1	Bushcraft Immersion, Fishing, Traditional Canoeing
Week 2	Advanced Bushcraft , Tracking, Edible and Medicinal Plant Identification and Use
Week 3	Long Term Skills: Basketry, Tanning, Bowmaking, Paddle Carving, etc.
Week 4	3-Day Walkabout, Independent Projects