

Camp Castanea: Survivor 2024 Parent Guide

We are excited to Camp in Survivor FUN! When you arrive, someone will check you in and give you instructions on your campsite and how you'll get to it. Camp will open at 5:00 P.M. and you'll have the evening to set up camp and enjoy the camp. We have a gaga ball pit and tether ball if your scout wants to play. Please be courteous and take turns. All meals are provided for the Saturday activity day. Friday will be on your own. Please see the schedule below.

The first tribal council (campfire) we will go over the schedule and if there have been any changes to it. We will then sort everyone into tribes, and this will be determined by what buff (neckerchief) you unwrap. These buffs should be worn to represent your tribe. An adult leader for each tribe will be selected by each individual tribe. That leader will oversee keeping up with their tribes' points. At the last council meeting on Saturday night, they will participate in a final challenge and earn more points. The tribe leader will have the tribe's torch and be in care of it for the entirety of the camp. All tribes will move as a tribe and follow their leader. Each class will have different adventures and if the whole tribe is present will gain points for participation. At the last Tribal Council (campfire) each tribe will do a skit or song and then we will snuff the torches until only one remains! Let the fun begin!

This camp was started by Ken Whitson and his wife Mary several years ago and has been a joy to so many scouts since then! The name came from its very own roots!! Castanea is a chestnut! The chestnut orchard is on top of the hill. If you've not seen a chestnut before then stop by on Saturday and see one for yourself. At a certain time of the year you'll see the tough brown husk that surrounds the white nut on the inside. Love of the camp has brought several volunteers throughout the years and changes have been made and the camp has come to life! Super grateful to the Whitson's for their dedication.

What tribe will you get?!



A few things to remember:

- No cars past the parking area.
- Smoking is only allowed in one location and that's the parking lot. No scouts should see smoking of any kind. We thank you for your consideration!
- Please follow the bathroom rules and be clean.
- No campfires allowed. We will have a campfire both nights. You are welcome to stay and enjoy both after the Tribal Councils.
- All trash should be bagged and left in the designated area. Keep all food in closed coolers or bags.
- Stay away from any areas marked 'Do Not Enter'.

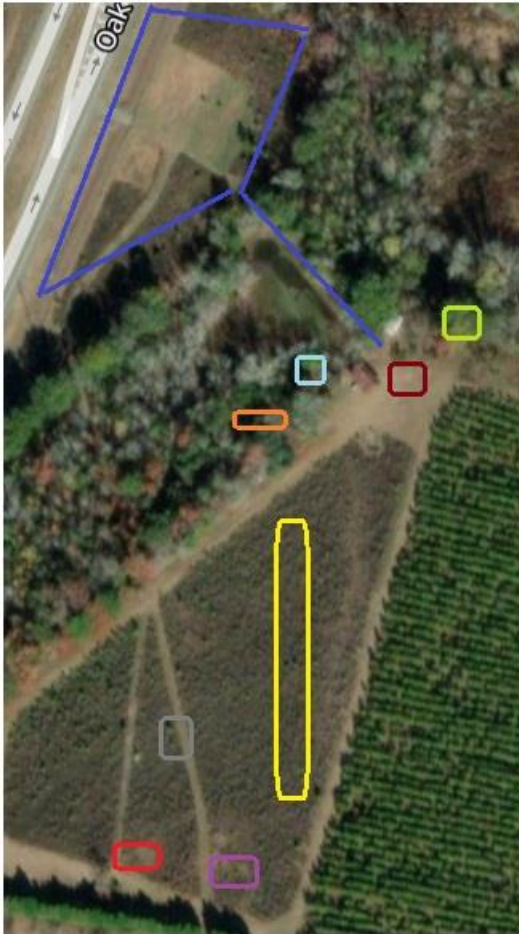
Items to bring:

- Tent, stakes, ground tarp (if needed), small hammer
- Sleeping bag, pillow
- Cooler with drinks/snacks
- Outdoor chairs
- Flashlight, whistle, compass, trail mix, first aid kit, water, water bottle if you prefer, poncho
- Backpack to carry supplies with

- Extra clothes, jacket depending on weather
- Shoes, socks (extra shoes or socks if needed)
- Toothbrush and paste
- Brush, comb, etc
- Wet wipes

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Activities	Description	Schedule
1st Tribal Council on 11/8	Schedule, Tribe names, flags, and buffs (neckerchiefs) will be given out. The first tribal council will be tribe selection and instructions on how to play.	8 pm-9pm
Lights Out 11/8	Quiet time	10 pm-6:30 am
Raising The Flag, Breakfast 11/9	Pledge, Flag, announcements	7 am-8:00 am
Shelter building	How to make cordage from grass and make something using the cordage to get out of the rain.	8 am-12:00 pm
Knot Tying	I have paracord but how do I use it?	
Emergency Signaling	How to use a cellphone, whistle, mirror, and signal fires!	8 am-12:00 pm
Fire Starting	How to start a fire using several methods.	8 am-12:00 pm
Water Collection	Filtering vs Purification (bring a 2-liter clear bottle to make your own!)	
Gear Repair	What's in a repair kit and how to use it?	8 am-12:00 pm
Survival Mindset	How to assess situations and make a plan.	
First Aid	What should be in your first aid kit and how to use it.	8 am-12:00 pm
Animal Tracking	Tracks of all sizes and shapes show us who or what is nearby. What can we learn from them?	12 pm-1:00 pm
Lunch		
Survivor Maze	A rope with your tribe's colors and some obstacles that show what you've learned. Who will have the most tribe points?	1:30 pm-3:30 pm
Break Camp	Pack up and clean up campsites, free time	3:30 pm-5:30 pm
Dinner		5 pm-6:00 pm
Final Tribal Council	The Final Tribal Council will be the announcement of the Ultimate Survivors, after a finale of a survivor challenge for the adult tribe leaders and then patches will be given out.	6 pm-7:00 pm



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Parking & Entrance

Shelter Building and Knot
Tying

Water Collection

Restrooms

First Aid & Animal Tracking

Gear Repair & Mindset

Signaling & Fire Starting

Rope Maze

Tribal Council (campfire)