



WILDERNESS SURVIVAL

PREPARE.
PRACTICE.
PREVAIL.

URBAN PURSUIT

Training emphasizes survival needs and escape and evasion techniques in an urban environment. The hands-on survival training includes the seven survival priorities: positive mental attitude, first aid, shelter, fire craft, signaling, water, and food procurement. The escape and evasion portion includes navigating city streets, evading hostile forces and escaping a hostage situation. The goals are to successfully escape and evade re-capture then locate an assigned rescue point.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What experience do I need to attend this course? No prior training required. Everyone learns valuable information in this course. You will leave well prepared to prevail in a in the event of a natural disaster or civil unrest while traveling locally or abroad.

What is the age requirement of this course? This is a course for adults. 18 year olds may come alone. Mature 16 & 17 year olds may come with a responsible partner over the age of 18.

What time does the course start and end? Arrival time is by 9:30 Thursday Wednesday. The course concludes by 1:00 on Sunday. If you prefer to travel on Friday, you can stay at the lodge. \$50 includes a bunk and breakfast. \$25 for each additional person in your group. Group, semi-private and private rooms are available on a first come first serve basis. Contact us for reservations. Payment due before you leave.

Do I need to bring a friend? If you come alone, you are guaranteed to leave with new friends! Of course, your friends are always welcome – sign them up too!

Is the course taught outside? Much of the training is held at the Mountain Shepherd lodge. Exercises are taught in downtown Roanoke.

Do I sleep under the stars? This is your adventure! The course is designed for you to sleep in the lodge. However, you can sleep outside in a tent or hammock if you wish. The choice is yours.

What is the weather like? Local weather is so hard to predict. Best to watch the forecast for zip code 27070. You can store extra cloths and gear at the lodge.

Do I scavenge for food? You will learn to procure food in an urban environment. However, meals are provided in this course! Please inform the Mountain Shepherd staff of any special food needs.

Do I need to buy a lot of gear? The only required items are weather appropriate clothing comfortable tennis/walking/hiking shoes or boots. You don't need to buy a thing. Part of the training includes gear recommendations for your personal travel survival kit.

What should I leave at home? Hatchets, machetes, firearms, drugs and alcohol.

OPTIONAL GEAR LIST

If you have it bring it. If not, borrow it from us – we have everything you need! If you want to shop, check out our store. Great prices!

Daypack

- Water Bottle – fresh drinking water for refills provided
- Flashlight or headlamp
- Knife – folding blade
- Whistle
- Signal Mirror
- Notepad
- Reading material

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DIRECTIONS

Please keep a copy of the directions with you when you travel. Technology does not serve our area well and often sends drivers the long way, the wrong way, or to a completely different location. If your schedule allows, travel during daylight hours. The views are spectacular!

From the North: Interstate 81 South towards Roanoke, Va. Take Exit 141. Take a left at the stop light. The second light is Route 311. You'll see the Orange Market on the left. A BP and Subway on the right. Take a right. Follow Route 311 for 12 miles to a left on Route 621/Upper Craigs Creek Road. Follow Route 621 for 9.3 miles. Set your odometer, as it is a long and winding 9.3 miles to our sign on the right. Our property is lined with a brown wooden fence. Take the right on Hemlock Ridge Lane and stay straight through the red gates. Get a bit of momentum heading up the hill. Parking area is at the bottom of the circle driveway.

From the South: Interstate 81 North towards Christiansburg/Blacksburg, Va. Take Exit 118B Us-11/US 460 towards Blacksburg. Follow US 460 approximately 15.8 miles to a right on Route 621/Craigs Creek Road. Watch for a brown Jefferson National Forest sign on the right. The right turn on Route 621 is just past that sign. Follow Rt. 621 for 11.9 miles to our sign on the left. Just before the turn on Hemlock Ridge Lane you will pass a white church on the left and a subdivision, Foxfire, on the right. Our sign is tilted a bit in the other direction. Our property is lined with a brown wooden fence. Take the left on Hemlock Ridge Lane and stay straight through the red gates. Get a bit of momentum heading up the hill. Parking area is at the bottom of the circle driveway.

From the West: Take 460 East to a left on Route 621. (If your GPS directs you to turn on Route 42, avoid it. You will end up on dirt road. Stay on 460 until you reach Route 621!) Watch for a brown Jefferson National Forest sign and a sign for Pandapas Pond on the right. The left turn on Route 621 is just past that sign. Follow Rt. 621 for 11.9 miles to our sign on the left. Just before the turn on Hemlock Ridge Lane you will pass a white church on the left and a subdivision, Foxfire, on the right. Our sign is tilted a bit in the other direction. Our property is lined with a brown wooden fence. Take the left on Hemlock Ridge Lane and stay straight through the red gates. Get a bit of momentum heading up the hill. Parking area is at the bottom of the circle driveway.

From the East: Travel to Interstate 81 and follow directions above from the north or south.



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