




Withy Copse New Copse Loop

DIFFICULTY RATING: **MODERATE** Woodland trails; fields and lanes. Reasonably flat with no significant hills.

In either Withy or New Copse, can you build a survival shelter? (Ideas on the next page.)

| ROUTE | MAP |
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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Start in Wood Lane, Sonning Common.2. Head towards Kidmore End Turn & walk onto Kennylands Road.3. After about 400m take the narrow footpath on your right.4. Follow this footpath straight across the two fields- going through two gates and over one stile.5. When you reach the track, turn right and continue until you reach the road.6. Cross the road and continue straight along Hazelmoor Lane.7. After about 400m, take the footpath on your left into the woodland.8. Head straight up through the woods until you reach Wood Lane.9. Cross the road & take the footpath straight in front of you (through the hedge!)10. Head diagonally right across the fields (about 1 mile) until you reach the main road.11. Go over the stile and head left along the main road for about 200m. Take the next right turn: Park Lane. (Red arrow)12. Walk up Park Lane for 300m & then take the footpath on your right into Withy Copse.13. Follow the footpath diagonally right through Withy Copse. After about a mile, take the right-hand fork which will take you back onto the road.14. Cross the road (Wyfold Road) & head into New Copse.15. Branch diagonally right through the copse and join the central track. This will eventually bring you to the Horsepond Road entrance.16. Cross the road & take the footpath directly in front of you into Old Copse.17. Follow the footpath straight through the woods which will take you onto Woodlands Road. Follow straight back onto Wood Lane. |  <p>5.45mi Hazelmoor Lane / Woodlands Road / Wood Lane Loop</p> <p>https://footpathapp.com/routes/hazelmoor-lane-woodlands-road-wood-lane-loop/9541E315-243A-49B6-82DC-171360C80C0D?s=131987</p> |



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How to build a survival shelter

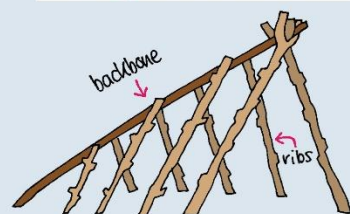
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Have fun making your own survival shelter in the woods

- 1 Choose what kind of shelter to make:

Sloping A-frame shelter



Use two shorter Y-shaped branches to hold up a long straight pole

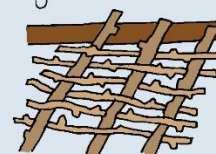
A tent-shaped shelter



Find two trees fairly close together to rest a strong, straight branch between

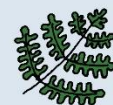
make sure there are no lumps or bumps on the ground

- 2 Add the ribs: Collect straight branches and line them up along the length of your shelter.



Then add some twiggy branches, weaving them between ribs to create a mesh.

- 3 Next add material to make it waterproof: work from bottom to top using whatever you can find on the ground.



Bracken is great but wear gloves before picking it



That's it! Now just crawl in and enjoy...

Remember: always take someone with you and let an adult know where you are going

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