Leave No Trace

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The Adventure:

Can you camp like a ninja—with no sign at all that your Lair was ever at the site? To do this, pay close attention to the seven principles of Leave No Trace:

- Plan Ahead and Prepare
- Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces
- Dispose of Waste Properly
- · Leave What You Find
- Minimize Campfire Impacts
- Respect Wildlife
- Be Considerate of Other Visitors

Before leaving your site, take a look to see what impacts are especially hard to prevent. Do you see any footprints? Have your tents matted down the grass? What about the packaging from the food you brought—where will it wind up?

Can you leave no trace?



Safety Note:

- Be sure to check the weather forecast before heading to camp, and bring the right clothing and gear to be safe and comfortable.
- What else does your Lair need to do to have a great, safe Leave No Trace camp?

Online Resources:

- Leave No Trace
- Outdoor Adventure Skills

Plan:

- When and where will you have your Leave No Trace camp?
- How will you get to camp?
- What games and activities will you do? How can you do these things while leaving no trace?
- How can your Lair minimize or prevent creating packaging waste for this camp?
- How can your Lair minimize or prevent impacting the ground of your camp?
- How can your Lair show respect for wildlife, wildflowers, trees and other campers when in the outdoors?

Do

• Enjoy a great, safe Leave No Trace camp!

Review:

- What do you know now that you did not know before?
- Was your Lair successful in leaving no trace? Did you camp like a ninja?
- What signs did you discover at the end of your camp that your Lair had visited its site? Could any of these have been prevented?
- How did leaving no trace change your camping experience?
- How can your Lair build on this experience? What would you do differently next time?





It starts with Scouts.