



Wilderness Preparation Course BWCA AND. QUETICO PARK

Exclusively for CBO Guests

VIRTUAL CAMPSITE

Envision a canoe gliding silently through tranquil waters. Easing the canoe to the shoreline clearing, the smell of coffee brewing over an open campfire captures your attention. After an afternoon of exploring the trails and waterways of the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCAW) and Quetico Provincial Park, the sights and sounds of the most pristine wildernesses in North America are all but over. Soon the evening display of stars and northern lights will begin as the haunting call of the loon echoes a good night.



Our ancestors, both Native American and European, learned the secrets of camping and canoeing the north woods centuries ago. The lessons that they passed on to us have been refined into what today is known as low and no impact camping. We at Canadian Border Outfitters strive to offer our guests the best techniques for enjoying our wilderness area without leaving a mark on our environment.

LEARN WILDERNESS SKILLS

Several years ago we introduced a new program, designed for both novice and experienced campers alike, called our Wilderness Preparation Course. The course objective is to teach low and no impact camping using hands-on teaching methods. We take you out on the water to practice canoeing strokes, visit a campsite to demonstrate camp set-up, and across a portage trail to show proper portaging techniques.

Plan to arrive at our Moose Lake base between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. the day before your canoe trip begins (or even earlier if you like) to give yourself ample time to partake in our unique wilderness skills course. This course will go beyond our regular routing session that not only instills knowledge and confidence in your camping and canoeing skills, but also offers additional learning opportunities. Here are some of the learning topics you may choose from:

Flat Water Canoeing

Map & Compass Use

Setting Up Camp

Basic First Aid

Campfire Building & Cooking

Paddling and Portaging

Fishing Instruction

Stove & Lantern Use

History of Our Area

Knot Tying

Geology

Wildlife

Plants

You choose the topics which interest you and we will build the learning session around your desires. Come prepared to learn and enjoy our wilderness!