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THE HISTORY OF CAMPING

Recreational camping is often linked to British tailor Thomas Hiram Holding. Holding promoted a new style of camping in the early 1900s, inspired by his childhood travels across the American prairies and a cycling trip in Ireland. His 1901 book *Cycle and Camp in Connemara* led to the Association of Cycle Campers, later the Camping and Caravanning Club. He also wrote *The Campers Handbook* in 1908.

Commercial camping actually began with Cunningham's camp in the Isle of Man in 1894 as part of pleasure boating. The Association of Cycle Campers opened its first site in 1906 and had hundreds of members by 1910. After WWI, camping surged in popularity, with Boy Scouts founder Robert Baden-Powell becoming club president in 1919.

In the U.S., camping gained attention after *Camp-Life in the Adirondacks* (1869) and through "The Vagabonds" – Henry Ford, Thomas Edison, John Burroughs, and Harvey S. Firestone – who camped together for a decade. The International Federation of Camping Clubs formed in 1932, and by the 1960s, camping was a common family holiday across Europe and North America.



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RECREATIONAL RECIPE: CAMPING CHILAQUILES



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INGREDIENTS

- 115- oz bag tortilla chips
- 116- oz can enchilada sauce
- 1/2 cup cotija cheese
- 6 eggs

FILLING

- 1 cup roasted corn
- 1 cup cooked ground beef
- 1 4- oz can diced green chiles
- 1 lime juiced
- sea salt, to taste
- ground black pepper, to taste

SERVE WITH

- crumbled cotija cheese
- Chopped cilantro
- Mexican crema sauce
- Lime slices
- Hot sauce

1. Combine filling ingredients. You can substitute any meat or veggie for the corn and ground beef. Toss filling with green chiles, lime juice and season to taste. If filling ingredients are bland, a bit of cumin can help punch up the flavor.
2. Grease Dutch Oven with olive oil or line it with foil for easier clean up.
3. Pour in a layer of tortilla chips, then 1/3 of filling mixture, 1/3 of cheese and a generous pour of enchilada sauce. Continue layers until you get to the top.
4. Create indentations for each egg. Sprinkle cotija cheese over the top and crack eggs into each nest, season with salt and pepper and cover with lid or foil.
5. Place on the grate of a campfire for approximately 15-30 minutes depending on how hot your fire is. Or place ten pieces of hot charcoal in a circle on the ground and place the dutch oven over that. Then top the dutch oven with 6-8 pieces of charcoal. Replace them as needed when they cool off.
6. Cook until dish is cooked through and egg whites are set with runny yolks.
7. Serve with cotija, crema, cilantro, lime slices and hot sauce.



FUN CAMPING ACTIVITIES TO KEEP EVERYONE ACTIVE AND ENGAGED

1 TOSS A FRISBEE

A Frisbee is an easy-to-pack item that's fun to play with. It's a great activity for practicing movement skills and improving coordination. If you have a pack of older kids that want to toss a Frisbee you can turn it into a game of ultimate Frisbee!

2 GATHER WOOD AND BUILD A FIRE

Campfires and camping go together like marshmallows, graham crackers, and chocolate! Instead of doing all the work of setting up a campfire on your own, get your child involved. From gathering and chopping wood to lighting the fire, learning to start a fire is a survival skill that's worth teaching. Older children can be shown how to safely saw and chop wood while younger children can be taught how to gather sticks and place kindling in the right shape to start the fire. And then, of course, you can enjoy those s'mores!

3 GO ON A NATURE WALK OR HIKE

Exploring the trails near your campground is a must-do activity. Many campgrounds have trails that are easy to access and explore. If you're new to hiking or have a young child, you may want to opt for an easy nature walk. Older children might be more keen to go on a more challenging hiking adventure. Don't forget to dress for the weather, wear sturdy shoes, and pack water, snacks, and first-aid supplies before heading out.



4 PRACTICE NATURE YOGA

Sometimes camping can bring out big emotions for a child. It's normal for a young child to feel frustrated or sad when her routine and space are unfamiliar. If you notice your child experiencing big emotions on your camping trip, slow down and try some nature yoga together. Find a spot in the campground and try these 6 mood-boosting yoga poses.

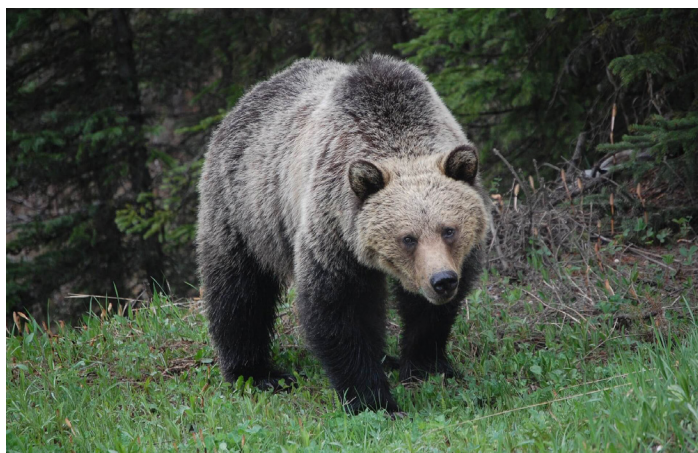
5 MAKE A FORT

Most children love building forts; it's in their DNA. Depending on your camping location and campground rules, have your child use natural materials like sticks and fallen branches to build a fort. If this isn't possible, use items you have on hand, like ropes, towels, or a tablecloth.



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WILDLIFE FUN FACTS



1. Prairie dogs greet each other by kissing.
2. A Grizzly bear's bite can crush a bowling ball.
3. Blue Jays mimic hawks' calls (that's right, not the Bald Eagles') to scare away other birds.
4. Lynx's large feet allow them to run through deep snow.
5. The annual number of shark bites that occur in the world is supposedly around 10 times smaller than the number of people bitten in New York... by other people.
6. Lions inhabited many areas of Europe until they were hunted out in the whole region around 100 BC.
7. The fingerprints of a koala are almost indistinguishable from humans.
8. Polar bears have black skin under their white fur coats.



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AVAILABLE RECREATIONAL REAL ESTATE

The Nanci Lifer Team is looking for more Lot & Cabin listings as WE have cash buyers!



1. SUNRIDGE HOA (GATED, DEED WATER RIGHT, MAINTAINED ROADS)

66 acre parcel trees, RV pad & stream, amazing view **\$497,000**

2. BEAVER CREEK HOA (GATED, COMMUNITY HAS WATER RIGHTS)

Lot 91
5 acre parcel with AMAZING views, 2 Awnings **\$147,000**

3. EVERGREEN SUBDIVISION (NO HOA, SOME SFH, SOME RV LOTS)

13113 Pine Canyon Rd (Cabin/Home) 2,300 sq ft
3 bedrooms, 2.5 acres, Large Barn, Workshop,
Amazing Views **\$721,000**

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EXPERIENCE THE BEST OF FALL AT UTAH STATE PARKS

WORKING OF THE BISON

Antelope Island State Park
October 29-31

IRON MISSION DAYS

Frontier Homestead State Park Museum
November 8 & 9

CREEPY CRAWLERS

Dead Horse Point State Park
October 31 – 1:00 PM

VETERAN'S DAY

Jordanelle State Park
November 11

HAUNTED CAMPGROUND

East Canyon State Park
November 2 – After 4:00 PM

HOLIDAY LIGHTS WAGON RIDES

Jordanelle State Park
November 25 – Dates coming soon!

MAPLE TAPPING WORKSHOP: TUBING SYSTEMS

Wasatch Mountain State Park
November 2 – 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

FILLMORE CITY CHRISTMAS LIGHTING CELEBRATION

Territorial Statehouse State Park Museum
November 30



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Camping isn't only a summertime activity. RV winter camping can be just as great. The campgrounds that remain open when the mercury drops below zero mostly tend to be quiet, the air crispier than it was during the summer and the landscape is more peaceful. On top of everything else: no bugs.

Having said that, winter camping in an RV isn't as carefree and cozy as one might assume. Without the proper precautions, the cold can quickly get relentless, leaving your living space stubbornly frigid. To make sure that isn't the case with you, feel free to consult this RV winter camping guide.



RV WINTER CAMPING GUIDE