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Leave More Trace

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Tips to use at your campsite to be clean and sustainable

Camp Overnight Right
Good campsites are found, not made! Camp only at designated campsites to avoid damaging vegetation.

Trash Your Trash
Reduce waste by separating trash, recyclables, and compost.

Respect Wildlife
Keep food stored in a cooler and/or in your car while away from camp and at night.

Reuse
Bring reusable cups, plates, napkins, utensils, and water bottles.

Reduce
Ride a bike or carpool to the festival.

Be Considerate of Others
Clean up after yourself and keep noise to a minimum.

Keep a Clean & Tidy Camp
Secure your campsite belongings well to reduce wind blown trash and litter.

Alternative Energy
Use a solar panel to charge lanterns and electronics.

3-Bin Dishwashing Technique
1. Cold water rinse
2. Hot soapy wash
3. Cold water rinse
4. Strain water to remove food scraps
5. Trash the scraps
6. Dump dirty water in an approved receptacle.
‘Hands’ off in Europe

- ‘Leave only footprints, take only photos’
- John Muir Award
- Wilderness Foundation
- National Outdoor Leadership School (NOLS)
- Erasmus ‘Imprint’ project
- Wider discourse
Contradictions

Politics to create and protect such places

• The commercial imperative of tourist destinations to fund the railways

• Ethnic cleansing

• Reintroductions
The impossibility of ‘leave no trace’ (LNT).

What ‘traces’ do our everyday lives and our travel to these places leave right here?
More LNT

• Broaden LNT to include travel and everyday lives and so contribute to reducing footprints.

• Living with less in the developed world is certainly a necessary and important contribution to reducing our impact and to social equity globally.
Another point of view

Putting these global factors to one side, is LNT even desirable?
The Anthropocene

- Defined by the fact that humans impact on 100% of the land, sea, biosphere and atmosphere.
Keystone species
Yellowstone
In Europe there is no wilderness.

The vegetation arrived along with humans.

We are the keystone species.
Coppiced woodland
Chalk downland
‘Aaaah’ and ‘Oooooh’

The romantic gaze

• Connection

• Forest schools, etc

A vital first step but progression to an environmental citizen is missing
Engagement?

- Environmental citizenship
- Understand our actions and words as political
- Reintroduce not just species but also conversations in which all are engaged through actions and voice.
Consider your trace

- How much?
- What kind?
- Where?

‘A collective (re)engagement with the politics of place in word and deed.’
Leave more trace: the literature