



Camp 100 Info Pack 1

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1 | Key Information

Camp 100 is taking place from 27 July to 06 August 2025, with the option to stay for the first 3 nights, the last 7 nights or the full 10 nights.

Camp 100 will celebrate 100 years of Woodcraft Folk and get everyone excited for the next 100 years.

Everyone is welcome - we are working on making Camp 100 as inclusive and accessible as possible.

The central camp booking fee includes: site, food, water, gas, and fun. Districts may need to consider additional costs for travel and equipment.

All aspects of the camp are making efforts to decarbonise - from food and site services, to programme and more.

Camp in a Village with friends from your district, wider Woodcraft Folk and delegates from like-minded international groups.

Programme will alternate days between Village & Central Days, with many different types of activity on offer.

Building on all the successes and lessons learnt from Common Ground.

Welcoming all volunteers to make Camp 100 the best that it can be.

2 | What...?

2.1 What is Camp 100?

In 2025, Woodcraft Folk is turning 100! This is important because it means Woodcraft Folk have been delivering cooperative activities around education for social change and spanning the world with friendship for a whole century, which is definitely something to celebrate. Camp 100 is part of Woodcraft Folk's birthday celebrations, taking place in the centenary year.

At Camp 100, we will look forward to the next 100 years of youth empowerment through Woodcraft Folk activities and the impact we can all have on the wider world. This will include thinking about how the world might change over the next 100 years and how we can play our part in making the world a better place for everyone.

Camp 100 will be an international camp. This means we will invite young people and their leaders from all Woodcraft Folk districts across the UK as well as like-minded organisations across the world to camp together, living cooperatively, taking part in workshops, making friends, and having lots of fun!

2.2 What did we learn from Common Ground?

Common Ground (2022) was Woodcraft Folk's first international camp for 11 years, so, for a lot of people, it was their first experience of a really big camp. Camp 100 will be at the same site as Common Ground, which means we know the site and can plan using all the feedback and lessons learnt at the camp. On top of this, lots of volunteers on the team were inspired to take on a role after attending Common Ground, bringing many new ideas to make Camp 100 even better.

We hope more districts will join us for Camp 100, particularly as we are not just coming out of lockdowns. Many younger members had a fantastic time at Common Ground and we hope to welcome even more Elfins and Pioneers this time. We also want to build on the experience of the Venturers and DFs who came to Common Ground, to support them to take on more active roles across the camp for Camp 100.

We also hope to welcome back past members and volunteers to help us celebrate and be a part of our next 100 years.

Decarbonisation

Across all aspects of Common Ground, lessons were learnt as we move towards more sustainable ways of camping. Woodcraft Folk's Decarbonisation Working Group are supporting us to reduce the greenhouse gas emissions associated with Camp 100.

2.3 What will Camp 100 cost?

The cost of the camp depends on how many nights you choose to stay for. The table below shows the price for attendees from Woodcraft Folk, Western and Northern Europe and North America. Prices for other regions can be found on the FAQ page of our website.

Number of Nights	Dates	Cost per person
10	27th July - 6th August	£265
3	27th - 30th July	£120
7	30th July - 6th August	£210

Table 2.1: Cost of Camp

The camp is free for under 5s. These costs are the amount we need centrally per booking; they do not include costs to get your group and equipment to the camp or the cost of equipment needed for your village. You will need to work out what, if anything, extra you will charge for this.

The central booking fee also includes, if needed, a shuttle bus between a local train station and the site, on the first and last days of camp only.

Woodcraft Folk is keen to increase and widen participation in all of our activities. The Camp 100 Access Fund has been designed to reduce the financial barriers of attending the event, including travel costs. There will be more information about this fund and how to apply in autumn 2024. You should also talk to your group about doing some fundraising, e.g., applying for grants to cover costs.

We also encourage districts to consider raising the cost of the camp through donations to enable those who can to give more and those who can't to give less.

For more information on finance and to get some support or ideas for fundraising follow this link or use the QR code shown: camp100.org.uk/fundraising



2.4 What will I be doing at Camp 100?

There will be lots to do at Camp 100! Into arts and crafts, science, or film? We'll have centres for those. Want to learn some new bushcraft skills? We've got you covered. Fancy singing songs around the campfire? Plenty of opportunities for that.

It'd take up too much room to list everything we've got planned for Camp 100, but check out the website using this link camp100.org.uk/programme or follow us on social media to hear more about our exciting plans.

2.5 What does a day at camp look like?

There will be two 'types' of day on camp - village days and central days. Days at camp will alternate between village days and central days.

On central days, the programme will take place in the central area. This will include activities run by centres like the trade union centre, arts and crafts tent, and bushcraft. It will also include activities at the main stage such as live music, storytelling, and even a 100th birthday party for Woodcraft. Programme on these days will continue into the evening.

On village days, all programme will take place within the villages/towns you're camping with, which might involve games, craft activities, and much more. There will be an organised wide game run for each town on a village day.

There will also be one library per town! Each library will have a friendly neighbourhood librarian to help coordinate and communicate the programme across the town. Each library will offer a space to come relax and will have sports equipment, books, and art supplies available to use.

Librarians will also be able to support districts and international delegations who wish to plan evening programme for village days, such as a cultural evening, 'pub' quiz or Merry Moot.



2.6 What can you tell me about the food on camp?

Food on camp will be centrally organised with villages preparing food from the central menu in mixed-age clan groups. The menu, handbook, and food will be provided for you. You will not need to buy any food yourself.

All special diets will be catered for and your district will be offered support to ensure everyone has an enjoyable food experience. If you have allergies or a restricted diet of any kind, get in touch with the special diets team by emailing food@camp100.org.uk and they will help plan how we will cater to this on site, which may involve some or all meals being entirely different for you which KPs (the catering lead in your village) will be supported to prepare.

There will be town pantries where your village will collect food on a daily basis and a central team who are able to help with any issues you might have.

There will be two cafes at Camp 100 - cafes will have tasty snacks and drinks for sale to compliment the delicious food that will be served in villages as well as providing cool spaces to be with friends and meet new people.

Decarbonisation

Camp 100 is trying to minimise carbon emissions associated with the food we will be eating. Everyone can help reduce the impact of the camp, for example by reducing food waste. You may end up eating much less meat and more beans and pulses than you would do at home. Camp 100 is a great opportunity to explore sustainable diets.

2.7 What can our district do to help make Camp 100 a success?

The camp is mostly run by volunteers, with everyone dedicating lots of time and energy to make the camp as fun as possible. But even with a huge volunteer team, every person attending the camp is necessary to make it work! From a clan working together to cook breakfast, to a team running a centre or a group of people putting up a tent - all of these things are only possible when everyone cooperates and does it together.

For the duration of the camp, we get to live by and celebrate our Woodcraft values in a society run on cooperative rather than competitive principles.

Start thinking about who in your district could take on a role within your village or might be interested in supporting an aspect of the wider camp.

3 | Who...?

3.1 Who will be coming to Camp 100 and will I make new friends?

Many people of all ages, and from groups around the UK and the world, will be coming to Camp 100.

We're almost certain you'll make new friends! Every Woodcraft camp is a great opportunity to spend time and have fun with people around your age. There'll be lots of activities within villages to get to know the people you're camping and eating with.

There'll also be plenty of activities for the whole camp where you might make friends with people in different towns. Maybe you'll leave Camp 100 having made new friends who live near you, or who live in a different part of the UK, or maybe in a different part of the world!

Camping and living together is a great way to give a friendship time to develop and these camps are the starting points for many friendships that last a lifetime.

3.2 Who should we bring and how many adults does my district need?

When planning your group size and village arrangements, ensure you have enough adults to make the camp experience safer and more manageable.

All districts, even small ones, should have at least two leaders in case one needs to leave the site in an emergency.

Adult (18+) volunteers from Woodcraft Folk attending the event must be members of Woodcraft Folk and have completed the necessary screening and vetting checks, including DBS and/or PVG record checks and provide references.

UK-based members aged 16 and 17 must be members of Woodcraft Folk, but are only required to undergo volunteer screening if they are taking on a volunteering role at the event (e.g., steward, centre volunteer, or a village role).

International visitors aged 18+ are expected to complete (either in advance of the event or on arrival) a Safeguarding Declaration, indicating compliance with policies and procedures to protect young people and confirming they do not have criminal convictions barring them from working with vulnerable groups. Additionally, IFM-SEI partner organisations must confirm the suitability of their volunteers/adult members attending the event.

Invited guests (e.g., workshop leaders from partner organisations) will be asked to complete a similar declaration and will have a named supervisor while at camp.

The required ratios between adult volunteers and children are as follows:

Woodchips (age 0-5) - 1:3

Elfins (age 6-9) - 1:5

Pioneers (age 10-12) - 1:8

Venturers (age 13-15) - 1:10

Think about the needs of your group and the nature of the camp - avoid burnout or relying on a limited number of people - the more the merrier!

Each village must have a named Village Safeguarding Lead who will act as a point of contact for any safeguarding concerns, issues, or queries from adults or young people in the village. They will work with the Village Coordinator and other volunteers to ensure the safety and wellbeing of children and young people, and will be responsible for reporting or escalating any issues to the Safeguarding Team as required.

3.3 Who can I contact for reassurance or support?

Our staff team are happy to be contacted to answer questions and give general support. Contact them via info@camp100.org.uk

We have a dedicated Accessibility Team this time, and they are looking at feedback from previous camps and working with other teams to embed accessibility in all areas of the camp. We are reviewing feedback from the accessibility caucus at Common Ground and from the Venturer Camp evaluation.

The Accessibility Team has links to all the different central teams to ensure that accessibility is threaded through the camp and not developed in a vacuum. Areas of camp will carry out accessibility risk assessments to make sure they are aware of risks of exclusion and take action to mitigate them. We hope the raised profile of accessibility in the planning of the camp will encourage more people to share their needs so we can make sure they are catered for and able to attend. This includes all areas of accessibility, be it mobility, mental health, neurodivergence, sensory issues, medical needs or learning difficulties.

The Accessibility Team also wants to work closely with individual campers to ensure their needs are met as best as possible. Please get in touch with them at accessibility@camp100.org.uk to discuss any issues, concerns or queries.

3.4 Who can get involved with making Camp 100 happen and run successfully?

Being a volunteer on camp means taking on a role to help make the camp happen. This could involve something as small or as big as you want, be purely on-camp, such as stewarding or helping to clean the toilets, or something that also involves planning beforehand, such as running a centre or cafe. It could be with one of the central teams, or taking on a role within your village. The camp relies completely on volunteers, and every volunteer helps ensure the camp is lots of fun for everyone.

One of our focuses for Camp 100 is ensuring everyone, including all of our volunteers, have an amazing time at camp. We have a specific team dedicated to volunteer well-being, ensuring that everyone has support to do their role as well as time away from their role to experience the rest of the camp fully.

One of the ways we are ensuring everyone has time off is by recruiting for 'reserve teams' for many roles, such as KPs, which will comprise people who are very experienced and can take over for a period of time.

We are also encouraging all volunteer teams to have rotas designed to give everyone lots of free time - which is why we need all the volunteers we can get!

If you want to help make Camp 100 the best that it can be, follow this link camp100.org.uk/get-involved and find out about all our volunteer roles that need filling. Want to help mostly before camp or on-site? A role with more talking or less? A physically active role or one where you are primarily sitting down? We can help you find the perfect role for you.



4 | Where...?

4.1 Where is Camp 100 happening?

Camp 100 will be held at Kelmarsh Hall and Gardens, NN6 9LY. This is the same site as Common Ground, our international camp in 2022, and it is in the middle of England.

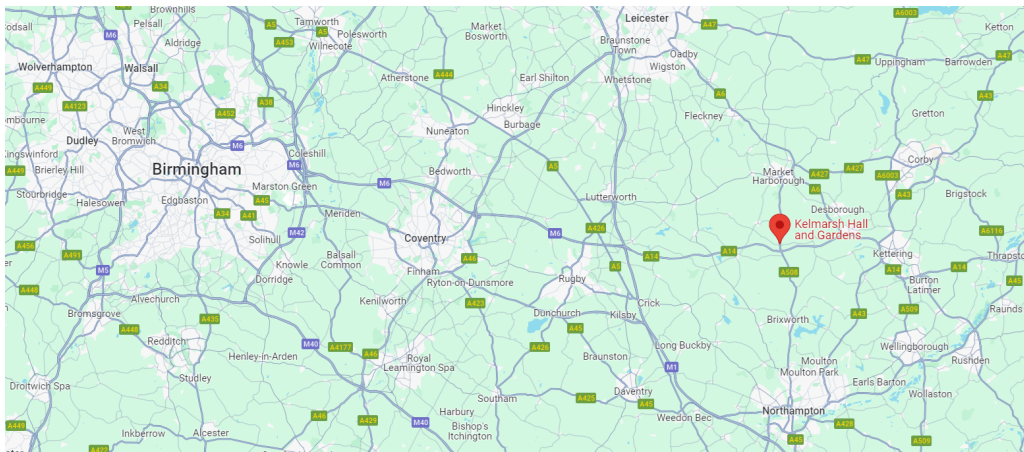


Figure 4.1: Map showing location of Kelmarsh Hall in relation to Birmingham

4.2 Where are the nearest train stations and airports?

Market Harborough is the nearest train station; it's a 13-minute drive or 30-minute bus journey (including 20 minutes walking) from the site.

Kettering is almost as close, a 15-minute drive away, but it takes much longer to get to the site on public transport from there.

We will confirm nearer the time which station we will run shuttle buses from on arrivals and departures day.

East Midlands Airport and Birmingham Airport are closest; however, it is fairly easy to travel from Heathrow, Stansted, or Luton airport to the site, and these airports serve more destinations cheaply.

More information on international travel is available at this link camp100.org.uk/travel.

Car parking is available on site.



Decarbonisation

One of the major greenhouse gas emissions associated with Camp 100 will be from the use of energy for travel. One way to reduce this would be for attendees to travel collectively in the lowest-carbon form of transport. As a district, you may want to discuss travel options early as part of planning to come.

5 | How...?

5.1 How will life at Camp 100 be different to a district camp?

The main difference between a district camp and an international camp is the scale. There will be lots more people, from lots more places, and lots more activities to choose from.

You will camp in a village, which is made up of a few Woodcraft Folk districts (depending on their size) and usually an international group as well. Your village will belong to a town, a collection of villages.

Members of a village will share a marquee where everyone eats together and a kitchen tent for all the cooking. You will do jobs in mixed clans, which will help you to get to know everyone.

Every night there will be news (made during the day by people on camp), which you will be invited to watch with your town.

Every other day, the activities will happen in the village. On days when there is a central programme, many people will leave the village to go to workshops, visit cafes, or watch acts on the main stage in the evening.

There will be lots of opportunities to get to know other cultures, both of those in your village/town on village days, and of people all over camp in activities and performances in the central area on central days.

5.2 How will the site layout look?

The layout will be broadly similar to Common Ground, some towns will be larger to accommodate more space for activities and a more defined pathway through villages. The changes will mostly be small logistical things, such as toilet blocks, showers, and fridges might be in different places.

When deciding on the final site layout, we will balance the various needs of attendees, minimising distances people need to walk where possible, while giving everyone enough space.

We will consider where it is best for specific districts to camp with regard to specific accessibility needs (for example, power for medical devices, distance to the central area, distance to accessible toilets and showers, etc.).

5.3 How will toilets and showers be similar or different from Common Ground?

Toilets will be compost long drops; they are more pleasant to use and have a larger capacity with lower mechanical complication, so there should be fewer issues with them.

Showers will be the same kind as at Common Ground, standard multi-shower blocks but we will distribute them more evenly across site and they should be working well from the beginning of camp due to changes to the power supply.

Both toilets and showers will have accessible units distributed across the site as required.

5.4 How can I move around the site?

The standard way will be walking, with improvements to make it more accessible for those who struggle with uneven surfaces. Vehicle usage will be restricted as much as possible, so only used where there is a specific need.

Decarbonisation

We can all try to avoid driving cars whilst at camp. Realistically the only people needing to regularly go offsite by car will be those carrying out KP and site services duties.

We are considering a number of ways to make sure people can get easily around the site, including the layout of the site, shaded seating for rest between different areas, and trackway to make the ground more level in certain areas. The Accessibility and Production Teams are working closely together to ensure as many of the spaces as possible are accessible to a variety of different needs.

5.5 How can our district start now to prepare for Camp 100?

You could prepare your district for camp by running activities from the activity pack and the 100 100s to engage children and parents. Focus on building excitement and knowledge within your community about the camp experience.

Venturers and DFs may need support to explore roles or projects at camp that could be of interest to them. Encourage them to review role descriptions and facilitate connections with relevant individuals or teams.

Reach out to any international connections to invite them to the camp with you - the deadline to register for groups coming from outside of Europe is 1st December so there's not long to let our international friends know about the camp and make sure they also have enough time to explore the possibility of coming!

Reconnect with ex-members of your district, either those locally or those who have moved away and invite them back. Not only will this help more people be part of something they care about but it will give everyone more support and make the camp easier for all.

Identify district challenges and devise strategies to overcome them. Address issues like recruiting more volunteers and supporting those who may struggle with camp costs.

Consider organising, or joining other nearby districts, for camps between now and summer 2025

to build camping stamina and start forming connections with other groups you may wish to camp with.

Assess your equipment needs, utilising this summer to take stock of available equipment, identify what needs repair or replacement, and plan accordingly.

Follow us on Camp 100 socials for the latest news and tag us in any of your own posts about preparing to come. Check the Camp 100 website events calendar as there will be plenty of webinars coming up where you can find out more and ask for support.

Use district meetings to discuss and develop a comprehensive plan. Remember that you can seek assistance from the Camp 100 team or wider Woodcraft movement as needed.

6 | Why...?

We asked different teams to say why districts should book and why booking early helps to make the camp more of a success. Here is what they said.

6.1 Why should you come to Camp 100?

To celebrate the celebrations for Woodcraft Folk's 100th birthday!

To meet new people, have lots of fun and learn new skills.

To create (at least) 100 new happy memories that will last a lifetime!

So you can come to a camp with a huge range of exciting programme.

6.2 Why should you book early?

The sooner we have accurate numbers of attendees, the better quality and higher number of site service stock we can book - e.g toilets, showers, etc

The more we know about who is coming to Camp 100, and the earlier we know it, the more we can do to plan a camp that caters to all needs.

The earlier we know information, the easier for staff and volunteers and the better we can plan for everyone to have a wonderful camp.

Thanks for reading and we look forward to seeing you at Camp 100!

Camp 100, a project by Woodcraft Folk will bring together members of all ages from across the UK to camp together and live by the Woodcraft Folk values for a week in the summer of 2025. The camp celebrates Woodcraft Folk's 100th birthday and will celebrate it's past century while looking forward to the next 100 years.

Find Camp 100 on the internet

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