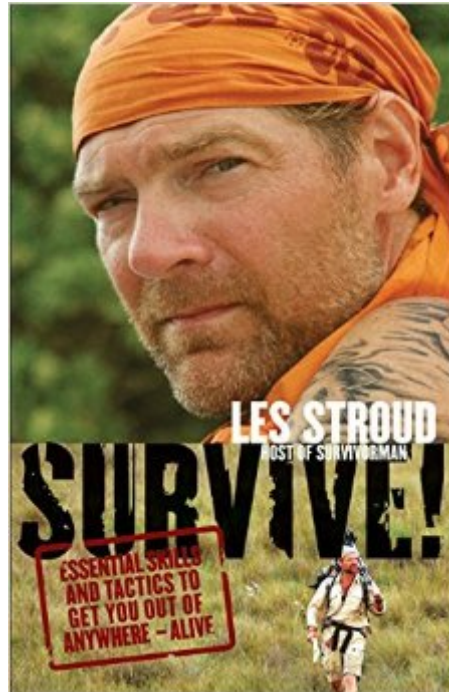


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# Survive!: Essential Skills And Tactics To Get You Out Of Anywhere - Alive



## Synopsis

From the sun-scorched sands of the Kalahari to the snake-infested jungles of the , Les Stroud has made a life of surviving in the harshestâ ”and most remoteâ ”regions on Earth. Now, the creator, producer, and host of the hit television program *Survivorman* transfers his decades of knowledge and experience to the pages of *Survive!*, a practical guide that gives everyday readers a no-nonsense look at the real world of survival. Stroud offers readers the essential skills and tactics necessary to endure in any corner of the globe, along with a wealth of insider information born of his own experiences in the outdoors and unavailable in any other book. Readers will learn: How to make a survival shelter and why a lean-to is largely a waste of time. Why survival kits are important, and why you should make your own. Where to find water and why drinking contaminated water is sometimes warranted. How to locate and trap small animals and why the notion of tracking and hunting large game is largely a pipe dream. Whether seasoned in the outdoor arts or new to adventuring, all readers will learn something from *Survive!*. Stroud's many colorful anecdotes and cut-to-the-chase philosophy not only make for an entertaining read, but also enhance anyone's ability to focus on the main goal when everything else has gone wrongâ ”survival.

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## Customer Reviews

I'm amazed at all the glowing reviews to Les Stroud's new book... frankly I found it extremely disappointing on many levels. Before Les' armchair fan-boys try to jump down my throat for insulting their hero (and he is genuinely likable), allow me to establish some points: 1) I'm another Canadian & the same age as Les. 2) I mentored my survival training since the early 1980's under Mors

Kochanski, a recognized world-wide expert on boreal survival. 3) I've taught survival courses in the foothills & forests of Alberta for 20 years. 4) I completed the BOSS 28 day Field Course in '89 & instructed on their Winter Skills course in '90, after which I introduced their director to Kochanski (beginning a long relationship between those two survival icons). So, I've got my time in & done my homework (yes, I've actually previously done most of the survival skills that Les mentions) that allows me to be an intelligently critical consumer of survival literature & gear (a 'Thank You' to my survival mentor Mors for developing that vital conceptual paradigm). So, I would likely love to spend time with Les & would no doubt find him a fascinating, like-minded person. I don't watch TV much, but what I've seen of *Survivorman* is well done - I think Les' 7 day solo approach is great & a breath of fresh air in the 'schlock-tastic' glut of 'reality' TV. However, I'm just not thrilled with his book. Of course, authors often don't get to write the book they really wanted to due to publisher concepts, budgets, etc. But many of my criticisms are, I believe, within the control of the author. Can I say anything good about the book... absolutely. *Survive* does provide & repeat many great adages of survival that everyone should learn about prior to heading off into the wilderness.

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