

SATELLITES

CAMPING GUIDE

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TOP TIPS FOR CAMPING AT SATELLITES

Our top tips probably boil down to two things:

1. Check your kit before you come
2. Bring spares!

The British weather isn't reliable enough to guarantee an easy, dry, non-windy 5 days and so we'd recommend that you bring spare tents, sleeping bags and even gazebo or marquees so that you can immediately deal with wet or broken kit before people get cold!

CAMPING EQUIPMENT

Check the kit list for everything you and your group will need - things like tents, roll mats or camp beds, camp chairs, sleeping bags, gazebo or marquee etc.

What if my young people don't own these items:

If your group don't have these items then here's a few ideas:

- Ask your church community to lend items
- Approach your local Scout or Guide groups to ask if you can borrow items
- Check Facebook Marketplace, Ebay etc for cheap second hand items
- Search the internet for hire options
- Check for any grants which would support an application to cover or contribute to costs of buying some items

FIRE SAFETY AND FIRST AID

Please make sure bring a first aid kit to deal with minor incidents. There will be a first aid team onsite for emergencies.

Please also bring equipment for dealing with small fires (fire blanket, extinguisher). A [kit like this](#) covers these fire elements.



CAMP CATERING

You will need to provide breakfast, lunch and dinner for your group for the duration of their time at Satellites. Satellites does not provide catering or catering facilities for groups. There will be cafes and food vans but these are not designed to cater for 3 meals a day (it would be very expensive!)

EQUIPMENT

Stove

You'll need something to cook food with/on! This is likely to be a gas stove, gas grill or BBQ. And you'll need the appropriate fuel for them i.e. gas or charcoal.

Your nearest Calor gas stockist should you run out during the event are

- Right Price DIY in Downside, Shepton Mallet (BA4 4JX)
- B&Q Glastonbury (BA6 9XE)
- Halfords Wells (BA5 2HS)

Cooking equipment

You'll need large pots, pans, frying pans and saucepans as well as utensils such as wooden spoons, serving spoons, spatulas, tongs etc. Don't forget you'll need to boil water for washing up so some large pots are really handy.

Keeping things cold

The best way to do this is to use a good quality coolbox (or two/three) and plenty of ice blocks. You'll be able to swap your melted ice blocks for frozen ones each day between 2 - 4pm at Info. (So don't bring your Aunt Nelly's favourite ice block because you won't end up taking your exact one home!)

RECIPE IDEAS

You'll need to plan your meals in advance making sure to think about dietary requirements and allergies. If mass catering or camp catering isn't your thing then have a look on the internet for ideas of what to cook. Here are just a few guides we've found that might be useful:

[Cooking tips to keep all campers happy.](#) (BBC Food)

[Camping Recipes](#) (BBC Food)

FOOD AND SHOPPING

You can bring all or some of your food and supplies with you. Or if you decide to shop once you're here, or during the event, the nearest supermarkets are 10 minutes drive away in Shepton Mallet. Here you'll find a Tesco Superstore and Aldi, as well as many other shops & services.

Getting a food delivery:

Supermarket vans will only be allowed as far as the main entrance; they will not be allowed to your campsite. You will need to give them your name and mobile number so they can call when they arrive. You'll then need to meet the van at the main gates to carry all food back to your campsite.

You might want to get a sturdy trolley on wheels for transporting food, as well as some sturdy bags and willing helpers!. Something like [this](#) would work well.



WASHING UP AND RUBBISH

Please bring equipment to wash up after each meal including means to heat the water as well as bowls, cloths, soap, tea towels etc.

Waste food: please make sure that plates/bowls/saucepans are clear of waste food before being washed up so that bits of food don't get thrown out with the waste water and attract unwanted pests! Here are two top tips from seasoned campers:

- 1) Bring a bowl/bucket with holes drilled in the bottom. Line with straw or paper towel so that when things are rinsed off in here, the water can drain but the food stays behind and can be put in the bin.
- 2) Use kitchen towel to scrape any excess food into the bin before washing up. Ideally, to reduce waste, have young people wash their hands before their meal, use kitchen towel to dry their hands, then save and use this towel to scrape food off at the end of the meal.

Your Village Hosts will also show you where your nearest rubbish and recycling points are. Please make sure you keep your area tidy and recycle as much of your waste as possible.

ELECTRIC HOOK UP GUIDE

What is available and how much?

You can book 16amp (£115) via our booking system. If you require a 32 amp (£230) hook up please contact us at: hello@wearesatellites.com

Can I pay for a hook-up when I get to site?

No. All electric hook ups must be requested and paid for in advance, there are a finite number available and will be on a first come first served basis.

What do I need to bring?

Please read carefully as this will impact the smooth access of power!

➡ For a 16amp hook up:

You need to bring a 16amp socket to a normal 13amp connector. It must have a built in RCD trip and should be splash proof. It should look similar to this —→

Here are links to two products that fit this description:

[Eurohike Mobile Mains Kit \(15m\).](#)



[HI-GEAR Mobile Mains Power Unit \(15m on roller\).](#)

➡ For a 32amp hook up you will need TWO 16amp sockets as detailed above.

(If you wish to have multiple large appliances, we recommend purchasing 2x 16amp hook-ups. If you require a 32amp supply, and intend on bringing a 32 amp connector, please let us know in advance on: hello@wearesatellites.com)

How do I connect when I'm onsite?

When you arrive at Satellites, all groups will be sent straight to their camping village. When you arrive at your village **please find your Village Hosts before setting up camp**. They will show you your allocated space and where to connect to your hook up(s). If you set up without speaking to your Village Hosts you may be asked to pack down and re-pitch in your intended space.

CARAVANS AND MOTORHOMES

If you are thinking of bringing a caravan or motorhome, please read the following carefully to make sure it fits all these requirements to adhere to our safety policies. It is not permitted to sleep in your car or converted vehicle unless it adheres to the following requirements.

VEHICLES ONSITE POLICY

We operate a car free campsite once the event is up and running. This also applies to motor homes – these cannot drive on / off or around site until the end of the event.

✓ **Permitted Vehicles on the camp site:** Touring caravans, static caravans, and motorhomes classified as such on the V5

✗ **Prohibited Vehicles on the campsite:** Standard cars, vans, or any vehicles not classified as caravans or motorhomes under UK law are not permitted. Please note this includes cars with tent boxes.

✗ **Tent Boxes are not permitted onsite.** As we are a Car Free site, unfortunately we cannot allow cars with tent boxes attached.

V5 Classification: A motorhome is a type of motor caravan, defined as a special-purpose M category vehicle constructed to include living accommodation. This accommodation must contain at least the following internal features:

- Seats and a table
- Sleeping accommodation, which may be converted from the seats
- Cooking facilities
- Storage facilities

These features must be rigidly fixed to the living compartment; however, the table may be designed to be easily removable.

For comprehensive information, please refer to the [UK government's official guidelines](#) on converting a vehicle into a motor caravan.

If you are unsure on anything, please contact us at hello@wearesatellites.com

KIT LIST

FOR GROUP LEADERS

You'll need to adjust this for the size of your group.

CAMPING

- Tents and camping equipment for you and your leaders
- Spare sleeping bags
- Spare roll mats
- Spare tents & tent pegs
- Mallets
- If you've paid for an electric hook up – the correct lead(s)

COOKING

- Camping stove(s) and gas
- Lighter or matches
- Cool box(es) and frozen ice blocks to keep food cold
- Crockery, cutlery and cups/mugs
- Pots, pans, stove kettle & utensils
- Water caddy(s)
- Cleaning supplies
- Kitchen roll, cling film/foil, Tupperware and bin bags
- Washing up liquid, wash up bowls, cloths and tea towels
- Hand soap and anti-bac gel
- Food & drink for all meals

*N.B. BBQs are permitted if they're raised off the ground. Open fires and fire pits are **not** permitted.*

COMMUNAL

- Gazebo or marquee big enough to fit your whole youth group
- Spare gazebo or marquee!
- Camping chairs
- Folding tables
- Battery or solar lights to light up your camping area

GENERAL

- First aid and basic fire safety kit
- Any prescription medication
- List of emergency contact details
- Trolley or big bags to carry any food deliveries back to your camp site



TOP TIPS

- Create a rota for your young people to help prep, make and clear up each meal
- Chat through the programme each morning or evening to encourage your young people to try different seminars and sessions
- Print out a menu & timings to reduce constant questions!

KIT LIST

FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

CAMPING

- Tent (*check you've got all the pegs/poles and there's no holes!*)
- Air bed/camp bed/roll mat to sleep on
- Sleeping bag & blankets
- Pillow
- Torch
- Camping chair

TOILETRIES

- Shampoo and shower gel
- Deodorant
- Toothbrush & toothpaste
- Hair brush
- Towels
- Suncream
- Any medication you need
- Ladies: sanitary products

GENERAL

- Bible, notebook & pen
- Phone, charger & cable
- Water bottle
- Bag to use in the day
- Plastic bag for carrying stuff to/from showers
- Games
- Skate board & helmet

CLOTHES

- Clothes for all weathers – warm, cold, rainy, windy, sunny
- Underwear and socks
- Warm pyjamas
- Shoes
- Flip flops/sliders (good for after a shower!)
- Wellies & thick socks
- Coat
- Hats (one for sun, one for warmth)
- Final night party outfit!

EATING

- Reusable plate, bowl, cup, mug and cutlery
- Tea towel
- Snacks



TOP TIPS

- Come prepared for all weathers – even if it looks sunny, it'll be chilly at night
- Pack your clothes in carrier bags or packing cubes incase it's wet
- All cafes & retailers will take card/contactless so you don't have to bring cash if you don't want to
- There'll be Satellites merch on sale!