

COLLECTING WOOD

- 1 BE PICKY!
- 2 GATHERING
- 3 TINDER
- 4 KINDLING
- 5 FUEL



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FIRST THINGS FIRST, NEVER TAKE BRANCHES FROM LIVE OR DEAD TREES! THIS WILL DISRUPT THE ECOSYSTEM OF BUGS, BIRDS AND OTHER ANIMALS. ONLY GATHER FROM LOOSE ITEMS ON THE GROUND.



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WHEN GATHER WOOD PAY ATTENTION TO HOW RECENTLY IT WAS ALIVE. IF YOU LOOK AT THE CENTER OF A TWIG AND SEE IT'S STILL GREEN, IT'S TOO FRESH AND WILL ONLY SMOKE NOT BURN. YOU WANT VERY DRY WOOD!



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THE FIRST KIND OF WOOD WE NEED IS TINDER. DRY LEAVES, PINE NEEDLES, WOOD CHIPS, OR ANYTHING THAT WILL HELP START THE INITIAL FLAME (FIRE STARTERS, PAPER, CARDBOARD, ETC).



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THE SECOND TYPE OF WOOD WE NEED IS KINDLING. THESE WILL BE LARGER STICKS AND SMALL TO MID-SIZED BRANCHES. THIS SIZE OF WOOD WILL CATCH THE FLAME QUICKER ONCE YOU'VE LIT THE TINDER.



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THE THIRD KIND OF WOOD WE NEED IS FUEL. LARGE CHUNKS OF WOOD, LOGS, ANY LARGE PIECE OF WOOD THAT WILL FIT INSIDE YOUR FIREPIT. THESE WILL BE THE LONG BURN AND YOU CAN ADD MORE AS NEEDED.

