

The Promise

The tent comes down. The Way continues.
Same God • New Places • More to discover.

TAKE HOME WITH YOU

One person I want to remember:

One place that meant something special:

One lesson God taught me:

One provision I saw from God:

One Scripture to carry home:

A FINAL BLESSING

May you carry what you've learned
into your everyday life. May you
remember that the same God who
met you here goes with you always —
in the familiar and the new, in the
ordinary and the unknown. Keep looking
for His goodness, keep trusting His
provision, and keep walking the Way.

FINAL SKETCH OR SIGNATURE



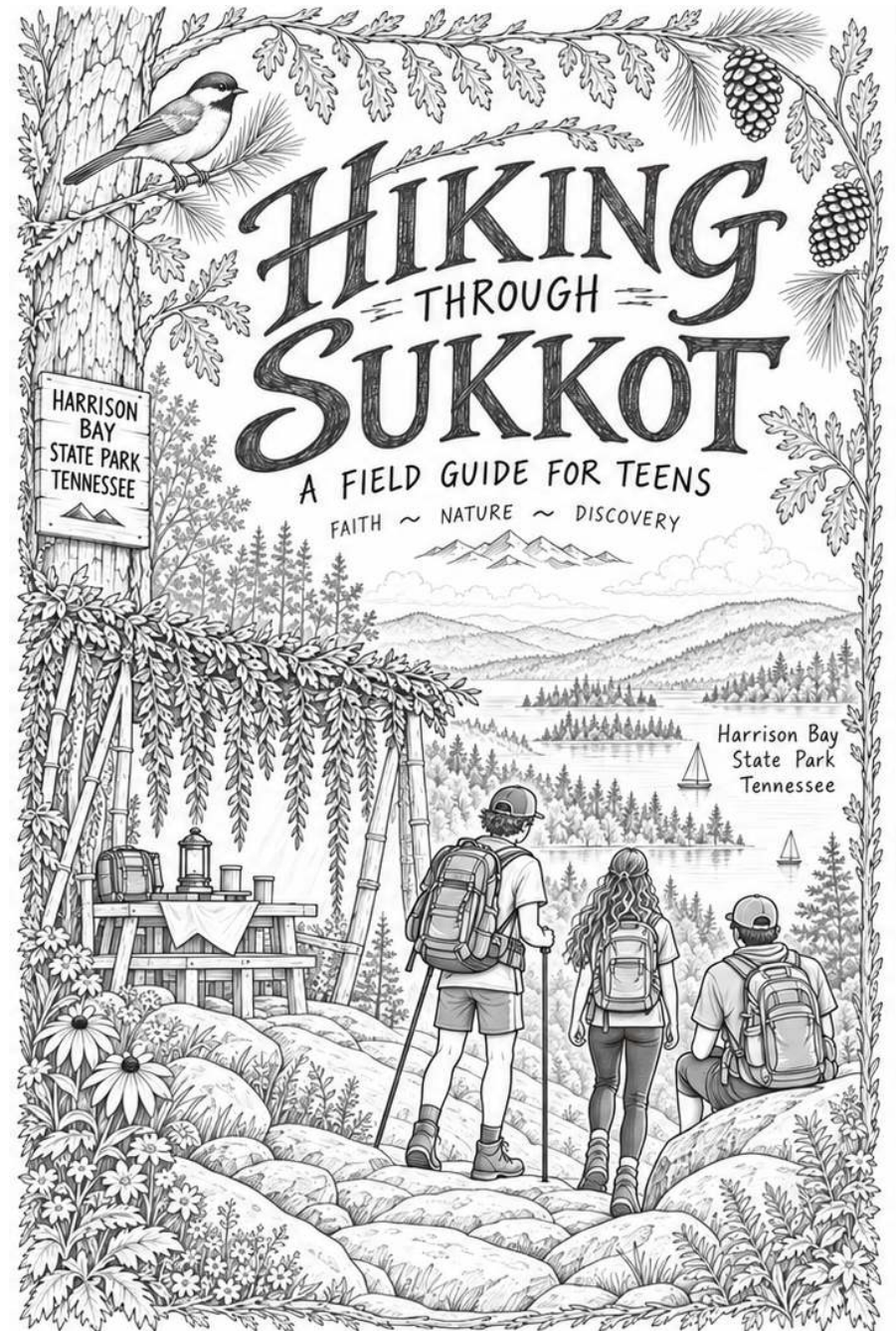
HIKING THROUGH SUKKOT

A FIELD GUIDE FOR TEENS

FAITH ~ NATURE ~ DISCOVERY

HARRISON
BAY
STATE PARK
TENNESSEE

Harrison Bay
State Park
Tennessee



Welcome to the Trail

Sukkot is a time to remember that God provides for us. We build a sukkah, spend time outside, and give thanks for His goodness.

As we hike through Harrison Bay State Park, we can see reminders of God's care all around us — in the trees, the water, the animals, and even the small details on the forest floor.

Take time to explore, observe, and reflect. Let this be a chance to slow down, notice what God is doing, and give thanks together.

Carolina Chickadee

White Oak

Red Maple

Great Blue Heron

Cattails

Largemouth Bass

Eastern Newt

Land Snail

FIELD NOTES + SKETCHES

What do you notice here?
Sketch a plant, an animal, or a view.
What does it make you think about God's provision?

REMEMBERING GOD'S PROVISION

"He gives food to every creature.
His love endures forever."
Psalm 136:25

Taste & See

TONIGHT AT THE FIRE

Gather by the fire to hear His praises. Share how Yah has been faithful and what you are thankful for. Honey sticks, marshmallows, and other sweet treats are yummy reminders of His goodness. Write or sketch a gift from God to remember.

PROMPTS FOR YOUR NOTES

- I'm grateful for ...
- I noticed God's goodness when ...
- A moment I don't want to forget ...
- Someone who encouraged me ...
- A new perspective I gained ...
- How I saw God provide ...
- A prayer for what's next ...

BRING YOUR NOTEBOOK TONIGHT

Find a quiet spot by the fire, and take time to write, draw, and thank God for this week.

QUIET SERVICE STILL COUNTS

Sometimes the biggest impact isn't loud. A kind word, a listening ear, or a behind-the-scenes help matters to God and to others.

Offline Field Notes + Submission Log

Use this page to capture what you notice, learn, and experience during camp. You can keep your notes, sketches, and ideas here, then save your photos and videos offline on your device and upload them later when you have internet access.

Challenge or Day:

What I noticed:

Scripture or reflection:

Photo / video / sketch saved for later:

Who was with me:

REMINDER
You can take photos, videos, or keep notes offline on your device. Upload them later when you have internet access.

The Trail Begins

WHAT IS SUKKOT?

Sukkot is the Feast of Tabernacles — a joyful seven-day feast where God's people remember His provision in the wilderness, celebrate His faithfulness, and learn to trust Him for the journey ahead.

During this time, we build and dwell in sukkot (temporary shelters) to remember how God cared for the Israelites as they traveled through the wilderness. It's a time to slow down, be thankful, and remember that God provides what we need, even when the path is unknown.

"You shall dwell in booths for seven days ... that your generations may know that I made the people of Israel dwell in booths when I brought them out of the land of Egypt."
Leviticus 23:42-43

KEY TRUTH
Sukkot reminds us that God is with us in every season, on every trail, and in every unknown.

REFLECTION
Where have you seen God provide for you this year?

Ancient Roots • Real Life Today

Sukkot comes from God's instructions in Leviticus 23. It reminds us of how He provided for the Israelites in the wilderness — food, water, protection, and His presence. When we remember their journey, we can trust God more in our own lives today. The same God who was with them is with us now, and He will continue to guide us in the future.

THE PAST
God provided then.

THE PRESENT
God is with us now.

FIELD NOTE

Sukkot is not only about looking back; it teaches us to trust God in our own journey today.

THE FUTURE
We can trust Him for what's ahead.

REFLECTION

What part of your journey feels uncertain right now?

Adventure Cart • Bonus Clues

Keep your eyes open! The Adventure Cart shows up around camp with surprises, challenges, and encouragement. It might appear at the dining hall, on a trail, by the lake, or in a cabin area. You never know where it will be!

The cart is a reminder to stay curious, be present, look for opportunities, and jump into what God might be doing today. Check it out when you see it and see what's available!

- CHALLENGES
- CLUES
- BONUSES
- SERVICE



BONUS IDEAS

Simple ways to join in and be part of what God is doing around camp.



Look

Notice what's around you.



Listen

Pay attention to people and prompts.



Serve

Be a helping hand where needed.



Encourage

Speak life and build others up.

EYES TO SEE

God is always at work, even in the small things. The Adventure Cart helps us slow down, look around, and notice the ways He is moving in our camp community.

Today's Adventures

Days 4-7

DAY 4 Serve Others • The Way of the Servant

- ☐ Look for a practical way to help someone today (at camp, at home, or on the trail).
- ☐ Do it with a cheerful heart, not for recognition.
- ☐ Write about how it felt to serve like Jesus.
- ☐ Read Mark 10:43-45 and consider what true greatness looks like.

DAY 5 Build Together • Species & Symbols

- ☐ Explore how different plants and animals work together in God's design.
- ☐ Find an example of teamwork in nature (e.g., bees and flowers, trees and fungi, streams and fish).
- ☐ Draw or write about what this teaches you about community and the Body of Christ.
- ☐ Look for a symbol in nature that reminds you of faith, hope, or love, and explain why.

DAY 6 Give Thanks • Ingathering

- ☐ Find something in nature to collect (a leaf, rock, seed, or photo) that reminds you of God's provision.
- ☐ Write a list of at least five things you're thankful for (from this week).
- ☐ Share one of those things with a friend or group.
- ☐ Read Psalm 107:1 and write your own short song of thanks.

DAY 7 The Promise • Carry it Home

- ☐ Look back through your notes, sketches, and collections.
- ☐ Write about one thing you want to remember.
- ☐ Think of a way to live out what you've learned when you return home.
- ☐ Read Deuteronomy 31:6 and write a short prayer for the road ahead.

FIELD NOTE REFLECTION

What has God taught you through Days 4-7?
How will you carry this journey into your everyday life?

Seven Species of the Land

PROVISION • FRUITFULNESS • DEEPER REFLECTION

In Deuteronomy 8:8, God describes the land He is giving His people as "a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey." These seven species were common crops in ancient Israel. Each one reminds us of God's provision and invites us to reflect on a different part of our journey with Him today.

WHEAT



Sustains Life
God provides what we need each day.

BARLEY



Humility
Even the simple things matter to God.

GRAPES



Joy
God brings sweetness and celebration.

FIGS



Growth
God gives us time to mature and bear good fruit.

POMEGRANATE



Wholeness
God cares about the bigger picture of our lives.

OLIVES



Anointing
God gives strength for His purposes in us.

DATES



Endurance
God sustains us even in dry and difficult seasons.

REFLECTION

Which of the seven species speaks to you most right now? Why? What does it reveal about God or your journey?

Four Species • One People

Leviticus 23:40 says, "On the first day you shall take the fruit of the splendid tree, branches of palm trees, the fruit of leafy trees, and willows of the brook, and you shall rejoice before the Lord your God for seven days." The four species are different, yet they are gathered together and waved as one. They remind us that God brings different people, with different strengths, together to worship Him as one people.

ETROG

The Heart
Fragrant and unique. It's whole, with a pleasant scent, reminding us to give God our whole heart.

Harrison Bay Comparison:
Like a lighthouse — it stands out and points the way, just as a whole heart shines for God.

LULAV

The Spine
Tall and upright. It reminds us to stand strong and stay close to God.

Harrison Bay Comparison:
Like the tall pines on the shoreline — reaching up, steady and resilient, even in the wind.

HADAS

The Eyes
Full of leaves and a pleasing fragrance. It reminds us to see the good in others and bring kindness.

Harrison Bay Comparison:
Like the evergreens around Harrison Bay — full of life, bringing beauty and fragrance to the places we spend time.

ARAVAH

The Lips
Simple leaves with no fragrance or fruit. It reminds us to use our words to encourage, pray, and build others up.

Harrison Bay Comparison:
Like the willows along the water's edge — gentle, flexible, and always near the streams, reminding us to stay close to God's Word and speak life.

REFLECTION

In what ways are you different from others? How might God be inviting you to be part of something greater — one people, together, worshiping Him?

Today's Adventures

Days 1-3

DAY 1 Look Around • Eyes to See

- ☐ Find three signs of God's creation you usually overlook.
- ☐ Sit quietly for five minutes and describe what you notice.
- ☐ Write or sketch one thing that surprises you about God's handiwork.

DAY 2 Explore Deeper • Living Water

- ☐ Find a stream, lake, or other water source and spend time there.
- ☐ Read John 4:10-14 and reflect on what "living water" means to you.
- ☐ Write a short prayer about something you're thirsty for.
- ☐ Look for how water gives life to the land around you.

DAY 3 Notice More • Creatures & Patterns

- ☐ Choose a plant, animal, or insect to observe closely.
- ☐ Use all your senses (sight, sound, smell, touch) to learn about it.
- ☐ Sketch what you see and note any unique patterns.
- ☐ Thank God for the creativity and detail in His creation.

FIELD NOTE REFLECTION

What has been the highlight of Days 1-3?
How has your perspective changed?

Temporary Dwellings

BODIES • HOMES • HABITATS • THE GOD WHO TABERNACLED AMONG US

All around us we see temporary dwellings — places built for a season. Animals make homes, we set up tents, and Israel built sukkot in the wilderness. These remind us that this world is not our permanent home. But the greatest truth is that God Himself came to dwell with us in a real, temporary body — Jesus, Emmanuel, God with us.

A SUKKAH

In the wilderness, God's people lived in temporary shelters made from branches. A sukkah reminded them to trust God's provision and presence every day.

A CAMPSITE TENT

We set up tents when we camp. They give us shelter for a time, but they are not permanent. Tents remind us to be prepared, flexible, and ready for what God has next.

A BIRD NEST

Birds build nests from sticks, grass, and other materials. Nests are safe places to rest, raise young, and weather the seasons. They show us God's care in providing homes for every creature.

A SHELL

Many animals, like snails or clams, use shells for protection. A shell is a temporary home that provides safety as they move through life.

A TREE HOLLOW

Squirrels, owls, and other animals use hollows in trees for shelter. These natural homes remind us that God provides homes in amazing and creative ways.

THE WORD TOOK ON FLESH

John 1:14

"The Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us. We have seen His glory, the glory of the one and only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth."

REFLECTION

Where do you see temporary dwellings in nature or in your own life? What does it teach you about God's bigger, eternal plan?

Harrison Bay Creation Echoes

LOOK FOR LOCAL REMINDERS

Everywhere you look at Harrison Bay, you can find reminders of God's amazing creation. Plants, trees, animals, water, and changing seasons all point to His creativity, care, and faithfulness. As you explore, slow down and pay attention. What local reminders of God's creation do you notice today?

OBSERVATION CHECKLIST

Can you find examples of these at Harrison Bay?



☐ Fruit, nut, or seed



☐ A branch that provides shade



☐ A plant near water



☐ An upright stem



☐ Seasonal change (such as new leaves, fall colors, or bare branches)



☐ A plant sheltering wildlife



☐ A pattern of abundance (many of the same kind)



☐ A food source for an animal

SKETCH ONE LOCAL SPECIES

REFLECTION

What did you notice about God's creativity in the local plants or trees you observed?

Wings & Wanderers

BIRDS AND WILDLIFE AT HARRISON BAY

Harrison Bay is home to many birds and wildlife. From tiny chickadees to soaring hawks, from busy squirrels to graceful herons, each one is wonderfully designed by God. As you observe these creatures, look for their unique features and behaviors. What do they reveal about the creativity and wisdom of their Creator?

Carolina Chickadee

Small, curious, and bold. Often heard before you see it!

Eastern Bluebird

Bright blue and warm orange. Look for them in open areas and near fields.

Great Blue Heron

Tall and graceful. Watches quietly for fish in the water.

Red-tailed Hawk

Soars high above the trees. Uses keen eyesight to spot food below.

Eastern Gray Squirrel

Active and adaptable. Helps plant new trees by burying nuts!

OBSERVE AND SKETCH

Choose a bird or wildlife you see at Harrison Bay. Sketch it here.

NOTES FROM MY OBSERVATION

Where did you see it? _____
What was it doing? _____
How did it move? _____

ADAPTATION CLUE

What is one feature (such as a beak, wing, fur, or feet) that helps it survive? What does this feature help it do?

Living Water

HARRISON BAY

FISHING • BOATING • SHORELINE LIFE • RENEWAL

Harrison Bay is a place of life — waves, wind, fish, forests, and people. The water gives, refreshes, and connects. It reminds us that God provides, sustains, and brings renewal, just as He did for His people in the wilderness.

ABOVE THE WATER

Look for the birds — eagles, herons, ospreys, and gulls. They depend on the lake for food and a place to live. The skies and shoreline work together as part of God's design.

ON THE WATER

People fish, boat, paddle, and play on Harrison Bay. The water brings adventure, rest, and time with friends and family. It's a gift for us to enjoy and also to care for.

BENEATH THE WATER

Fish, plants, insects, and tiny organisms all depend on clean, healthy water. Even what we can't see plays an important role in the web of life that God created.

CHANGED BY THE WATER

Water can wear down rocks, shape the shore, and make new places for life. In the same way, time with God can change us, refreshing our hearts and helping us grow more like Him.

WATER ECOLOGY SEARCH

- ☐ A bird near the water
- ☐ A fish (or evidence of fish)
- ☐ A water plant (reeds, lily pad, etc.)
- ☐ An insect (dragonfly, etc.)
- ☐ A sign of human use (boat, dock, etc.)
- ☐ Something that needs our care

REFLECTION

John 7:37-38 — "If anyone is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink. Whoever believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within him." What does "living water" mean to you in your life right now?