



## Camp Washing Line

Your washing line can be set up between two trees, or with the poles and pegs as described below. Make sure to protect the trees with bark, twigs, or a hessian sack! You can also use your camp washing line to keep your dilly bags neat and tidy.

### You will need:

- 2 poles
- Hammer or mallet
- Peg
- 2 lengths of rope – one longer than the other
- A strong tree
- Bark, twigs, or a hessian sack (to protect the tree)

### Instructions:

1. Find the middle of the longest rope and wrap it around the tree. Protect the tree by placing bark, twigs, or a hessian sack between the rope and the tree. Secure the rope to the tree with a [reef knot](#). Remember: left over right and under, then right over left and under!



2. Make an 'A frame' using the two poles.

a) Starting with a [clove hitch](#), use the second rope to [square lash](#) the poles together at the top in a triangle shape.



b) Secure with a [reef knot](#).

c) Decide where you want your washing line to end, and hammer a peg into the ground.

d) Attach the tail of your A frame rope to the peg with a [slip knot](#) or a round turn and two half hitches. Make sure the rope is pulling your A frame away from your tree, so when you attached the clothesline it will be counter-balanced.

3. Return to the rope attached to the tree. Twist the two rope strands tightly. Tie off the end with a [reef knot](#).



4. Secure the twisted rope to your A frame. Set the poles and guy rope so the twisted rope is tight.

5. The camp clothesline is now ready for the tea towels or dilly bags! No need for clothes pegs.

