DIY Hobo Stove Survival Guide

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Materials Needed

- 1 large metal can
- Tin snips or strong scissors
- A can opener
- · A nail or punch and hammer
- · A pair of pliers
- Gloves (edges can be sharp)
- · Optional: wire coat hanger

Step 1. Prepare the Can

Remove both ends of the can using a can opener.

Step 2. Cut the Fuel Door

On the bottom side of the can (if you kept it), out a small 3-inch by 3-inch door Bend the flap outward with pliers

Step 3. Add Air Holes

Using the nail and hammer, punch 8-12 holes around the base for airflow Punch another row of holes around the top (near the rim) for exhaust ventilation

Step 4. Create a Pot Support (Optional but helpful)

Option 1: Use the can's lid: cut tabs around the top rim and bend them inward



A hobo stove is a simple, lightweight, and efficient wood-burning stove made from a tin can. Perfect for camping or survival use. This guide shows how to build one safely using basic tools and scrap materials. Follow the steps and diagram for a reliable outdoor cooking option.