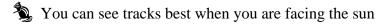
Tracking Tips

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Once you find a track don't move until you see the other tracks, or you may step on them.

Look at patterns, shapes, size then the number of toes

Determine the direction the animal is moving

Look at more than one track to find the pattern.

Where is the animal coming from and where is it going?

Ask yourself, what are the most common animals in my area, when you are looking at the tracks. For example, a large dog print in downtown Cle Elum is more likely a dog than a wolf.

Look around you for other signs such as scat, fur or scrapings on the ground to help identify the tracks.

Put yourself at the height of the animal. See what it would see; trail choice, cover, etc.

Look at a track(s) from all perspectives. Vary your view

The track you can't find holds the most lessons. Find it.