

SOURCES OF CORDAGE MATERIALS

As noted, the inner bark of most trees and parts of many different plants and animals can be used in emergency situations to make thread, twine, or rope. The following, however, are some of the top choices:

TREES

basswood
elm
walnut
cherry
cedar
aspen
maple
cottonwood
hickory
oak
ash

genus *Tilia*
genus *Ulmus*
genus *Juglans*
genus *Prunus*
genus *Cedrus*
genus *Populus*
genus *Acer*
Populus deltoides
genus *Carya*
genus *Quercus*
genus *Fraxinus*

ROOTLETS

cedar
pine
juniper
tamarack
yucca
spruce
sage

genus *Cedrus*
genus *Pinus*
genus *Juniperus*
Larix laricina
genus *Yucca*
genus *Picea*
genus *Salvia*

STALKS

stinging nettle
velvet leaf
dogbane
milkweed
fireweed
hemp
evening primrose

genus *Urtica*
Abutilon Theophrasti Medic
genus *Apocynum*
genus *Asclepias*
Epilobium angustifolium
genus *Cannabis*
genus *Oenothera*

LEAVES

yucca
cattail
bulrush

genus *Yucca*
genus *Typha*
genus *Scirpus*

MISCELLANEOUS

sweet grass
greenbrier
cordgrass
hair (moose, horse, etc.)
sinew
rawhide

Glyceria septentrionalis
genus *Smilax*
genus *Spartina*