

Ski Touring & Avalanche Programs

Gear Guide and Packing List

Backcountry '	Touring Gear
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- ☐ Alpine Touring Skis or Splitboard Light to Midweight Setup with "Tech Bindings"
- □ Alpine Touring Boots or Splitboard Compatible Boots; Scarpa F1
- ☐ Climbing Skins Mohair Mix is Best; Black Diamond GlideLite Mohair Mix
- ☐ Touring Backpack A Pack with Avalanche Tools Pocket; Lowe Alpine Revolt 35L
- ☐ Ski Poles Lightweight, Adjustable Poles with Baskets; BD Expedition 3 Poles
- ☐ Ski Helmet Lightweight Ski Helmet; Smith Variant

Avalanche Gear

- ☐ AIARE Field Book & Pencil (Blackbird to provide book on Field Day 1, bring a pencil!)
- ☐ Avalanche Beacon Digital Avalanche Transceiver; Black Diamond Guide Recon BT
- ☐ Avalanche Shovel Collapsible, Aluminum Shovel; Black Diamond Transfer 3 Shovel
- Avalanche Probe Quickdraw Style Probe; Black Diamond Quickdraw Tour 280 Probe
- ☐ Snow Saw optional, bring one if you have it

Head & Neck Layers

- ☐ Sun Hat A Baseball Hat; Blackbird Mountain Guides Logo Hat
- ☐ Sunglasses Dark Lens Glasses with Side Coverage; Julbo Shield
- ☐ Goggles Ski Goggles with a Storm Lens; Julbo Aerospace Reactive
- ☐ Warm Hat Lightweight Warm Hat that Fits Under Helmet; Blackstrap Essential Beanie
- □ Neck Warmer Light to Midweight Neck Warmer or Balaclava; BlackStrap Neck Warmer

Upper Body & Hand Layers

- ☐ Long Sleeve Base Layer Top Lightweight, Synthetic/Wool; BlackStrap Summit Hoodie
- ☐ 2 Insulating Top Layers Light to Mid Insulation Layers; Rab Graviton Hoodie (M/W)
- ☐ Puffy Midweight Down or Synthetic with Hood; Rab Xenair Jacket (M/W)
- ☐ Hardshell Jacket Waterproof, Gore-Tex, NOT insulated: Rab Latok Jacket (M/W)
- ☐ Light Gloves Light to Mid Weight for Warm Temps; Hestra Ergo Grip Active Wool Terry
- Midweight Gloves Mid to Heavy Weight for Cold Conditions; Hestra Fall Line
- ☐ Sports Bra Wool/Synthetic

Lower Body & Foot Layers

- ☐ Socks Midweight Wool/Synthetic; Darn Tough Via Ferrata
- ☐ Underwear Wool/Synthetic
- ☐ Base Layer Pants Wool/Synthetic; BlackStrap Summit Pants
- ☐ Softshell Ski Pants Breathable, for Fair Weather; Rab Khroma Ascendor (M/W)
- □ Vented Hardshell Ski Pants Waterproof for Extreme Weather; Rab Latok Pants (M/W)



Food & Water

- □ Nalgene Water Bottle Hard Sided Bottle; Nalgene 16oz-32oz Wide Mouth Bottle
- ☐ Soft Water Bottle 1.5L Flexible Water Bladder; Hydrapak Flux 1.5L
 - ***Please bring at least one hard sided water bottle.
- ☐ Lunch & Snacks Enough Food for the Day. There will be no lunch break so food must be convenient and easy to eat.

Other Essentials

- □ Sun Screen (SPF 30 minimum)
- ☐ Lip Balm (with SPF)
- Hand Sanitizer
- Toilet Paper

Optional

- ☐ First Aid/blister Kit
- □ Chemical Hand Warmers
- ☐ Hydration System Flexible Water Bladder with Hose; Hydrapak, Camelback, Platypus

Group Gear

Blackbird Mountain Guides will supply all of the group gear for the trip, including:

- ✓ Guide's First Aid Kits
- ✓ Wag Bags (Solid Human Waste Disposal Bags)
- ✓ Snow Observation Equipment (Snowsaws, Loops, Crystal Cards, Etc)