

Camping Checklist

Sleep & Shelter

- Tent (make sure you know how to put it up and that you have the stakes, rainfly (if your tent has one) and guylines)
- Extra rope & stakes
- Tent footprint or tarp at least a large as the footprint of the tent.
- Sun shade, tarp, or screen house (If you're camping in hot weather in an area without tree cover, you're going to want the protection of a shade. Screen houses are convenient when camping in an area with mosquitoes or biting flies.)
- Sleeping bags (appropriate for time of year; e.g. mummy bag for cold weather, light bag for warm weather)
- Sleep pads
- Pillow or stuff sack
- Cots
- Folding chairs or camp stools
- Mallet or hammer (for driving and pulling tent stakes)
- Blankets
- Sheets
- Rope for clothesline and clothes pins
- One gallon freezer bags (for anything you don't want getting wet.
- Campsite reservation confirmation (keep in one of those one-gallon freezer bags)
- Cell phone charger or extra battery
- Rope & extra stakes

Lighting and Kitchen

- Headlights and extra batteries
- Flashlights and extra batteries
- Lanterns with extra mantles, fuel, funnel, and/or batteries.
- Lantern stand
- Glow sticks
- Matches and fireplace lighters
- Fire starters
- Firewood (Call ahead to see if fires are allowed)
- Shovel or trenching tool
- Charcoal
- Charcoal starter fluid
- Charcoal chimney lighter
- Camp stove
- Frying pan

- Cooking pots
- Water bucket (for putting out fire)
- Hot pads
- Dutch oven (camping-type with legs and coal lip)
- Lid lifter for Dutch oven
- Coffee percolator
- Can opener
- Utensils (fork, knives, spoons)
- Plates, bowls, cups, coffee mugs
- Spatula, whisk, tongs, knives
- Kitchen thermometer
- Hand mixer
- Measuring cups and spoons
- Cutting boards
- Cheese grater
- Bottle and corkscrew
- Water storage containers
- One-gallon freezer bags
- Trash bags
- Paper towels
- Aluminum foil
- Washing tubs (3 for dish washing)
- Quaternary rinse tablets
- Coolers
- Ice
- Pot scrubbers and scrub brush
- Dish soap (biodegradable)
- Hand soap
- Dish towels
- Chuck box
- Stove stand
- Folding camp table
- Recipes
- Water sanitizing tablets

Food

- Water
- Tea
- Coffee
- Cocoa
- Drink mixes
- Bottled or canned drinks
- Milk
- Cereal
- Oatmeal
- Grits
- Breakfast bars

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- Eggs
- Energy bars
- Granola
- Dried fruits or nuts
- Pancake mix (or mix up your own before you go!)
- Bread, bagels, or English muffins
- Fruit
- Butter
- Cooking oil
- Cooking spray
- Syrup or honey
- Jelly, preserves, jam, peanut butter
- Crackers/Chips
- Salt, pepper
- Spices
- Fruit
- Vegetables
- Ice for beverages

Clothing

- Hat (with full brim for sun protection)
- Sun glasses
- Boots or shoes
- Socks (pack in one-gallon freezer bag)
- Underwear
- Water shoes
- Sandals
- T-shirts
- Long-sleeve shirts (for insect & sun protection)
- Long pants (for insect & sun protection)
- Swimsuit
- Thermal underwear
- Jacket or coat
- Gloves or mittens
- Rain gear (poncho, rubber boots, raincoat & pants)
- Belt
- Bandana
- Pocket knife or multi tool

Toiletry Items

- Toilet paper
- Sunscreen
- Lip balm
- Insect repellent
- Hand sanitizer
- Alcohol wipes
- Contact lenses & solution

- First aid kit
- Prescription medications
- Nail clippers
- Toothbrush
- Razor, shaving cream, shaving mirror (a signal mirror works, too)
- Cosmetics
- Brush/comb
- Portable shower/Shower bag
- Bath soap
- Shampoo
- Cleaning wipes
- Wash cloth

Additional Items

- Camera, extra battery, film, memory cards
- Binoculars
- GPS
- Umbrella
- Books
- Maps
- Guidebooks, field guides, star charts
- Two-way radios
- Notebook or clipboard, paper, pens/pencils
- Travel alarm clock
- Watch
- Compass

Fun & Games

- Card games
- Kites
- Frisbees
- Puzzles, crossword, Sudoku, etc.
- Board games
- Geocaching materials
- Outdoor games (horseshoes, washers, etc.)