



Warm Weather Gear List

Gear to Bring:

- Backpack with internal or external frame and waist belt.
- Sleeping Bag (at least 30 degree rated)
- Sleeping Pad
- Clothes:
 - Comfortable hiking shoes that can get muddy and dirty. Do not wear a pair of new shoes on this hike. Boots are not necessary, but your shoes must have a rugged sole. Running shoes are acceptable. Ankle support is preferable.
 - 3 pairs of socks
 - 1 pairs of pants
 - At least 2 pairs of underwear
 - For girls: 1 or 2 non-cotton sports bras
 - 1 or 2 short-sleeved shirts
 - 1 Long underwear top, synthetic fleece, or wool sweater (top warm layer)
 - 1 Synthetic long underwear or fleece pants (bottom warm layer)
 - Rain jacket or poncho
 - Sun hat
- Flashlight or Headlamp—Check or change batteries before the trip!
- Extra batteries for flashlight
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Cup or Bowl to eat from
- Spoon
- Toilet Paper
- Handkerchief or bandana
- 2 liter-bottles for water

Optional items:

- Rain pants
- Pack cover
- Camera
- Sandals, flip flops, or clogs for camp
- Knife
- Pen/Pencil & paper (journal)

- Lightweight book
- Bathing Suit

Do Not Bring:

!!! Facial Tissues (use bandana instead)

!!! Personal grooming products (other than toothbrush and toothpaste)

!!! Makeup

!!! Any electronic device (other than camera)—this includes watches!

How Do I Get This Gear?

Framed Backpack:

This can be borrowed from a friend or family member. Or you can buy or rent one. Jonah, of Sure Foot, is a good resource for what type of pack to purchase. Sure Foot can also rent you a backpack to you.

Sleeping Pad:

You can buy an inexpensive blue foam pad from stores such as Walmart or Sports Authority, or one of many more expensive types. As long as your pad provides cushioning and insulates you from the cold ground, it will be fine. Sure Foot can rent a simple sleeping pad to you.

Sleeping Bag:

Many inexpensive bags are not temperature rated. When in doubt, contact Jonah of Sure foot to ask if your sleeping bag will be sufficient. Sleeping bags are often large, heavy, and bulky and hard to pack, so looking for a warm, yet small and light bag is preferable. Sure Foot can rent a sleeping bag to you.

Clothes:

Because they dry quickly and wick moisture away from the body (as opposed to cotton, which retains moisture), synthetic and wool clothing is safest and most comfortable in the woods. Many people already have acceptable wilderness clothes in their wardrobe. Clothes do not have to look “sporty” or “outdoorsy” to provide warmth and wicking qualities. When looking to purchase synthetic materials, you can get very high quality, durable hiking clothing at REI (Recreational Equipment, Inc.), Half Moon Outfitters, or High Country Outfitters in Atlanta. You can also find good synthetic (polyester, lycra, spandex, coolmax, etc.) athletic clothing at stores such as Dick’s, Sports Authority, Target, and Walmart. As long as cotton is not listed on the tag, it should be okay. Wool is also a good material for hiking socks.

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