

## **The Ultimate Camping Packing List**

## **Shelter and Sleeping Gear** Tent (with stakes & guylines) Ground tarp or footprint Sleeping bag (appropriate for weather) Sleeping pad or air mattress **Pillow** Extra blankets **Cooking and Food Supplies** Camp stove or portable grill Fuel (propane, butane, etc.) Lighter & waterproof matches Cooking pot(s) & skillet Utensils (spatula, tongs, etc.) Eating utensils (spork, spoon, fork) Plates, bowls, & cups **Cutting board** Sharp knife Can opener & bottle opener Biodegradable soap & sponge Dish towels & drying cloth Food storage containers & zip bags Trash bags Cooler & ice packs Food & snacks for each meal Condiments & spices Coffee/tea & brewing kit Water bottles or hydration bladders

Water filter or purification tablets

## **Clothing & Personal Items** Weather-appropriate layers (base, mid, outer) Rain jacket & rain pants Hat & gloves (even in summer for evenings) Extra socks & underwear Hiking boots/shoes Camp shoes or sandals **Swimsuit** Sunglasses & sun hat Bandana or neck gaiter Towel & washcloth Toiletries (toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, etc.) Toilet paper & hygiene supplies Personal medications **Safety & Navigation** First aid kit (with insect sting relief, bandages, etc.) Map & compass or GPS Headlamp & extra batteries Lantern or camp light Sunscreen & lip balm Insect repellent Whistle **Emergency blanket** Pocket knife or multitool **Optional Comfort & Extras** Camp chairs or stools Hammock Small daypack for hikes Camp table Binoculars Camera Journal & pen Books or playing cards Firewood or fire starter (if allowed) Portable speaker (respect campground quiet hours!)

Star map or constellation guide

## Camping with Kids & Pets

	Kid-friendly games & toys
	Kids' camp chair
	Extra snacks & water bottles
	Walkie talkies for safe exploring
	Pet leash & harness
	Pet food & bowls
	Pet bed or blanket
	Waste bags & clean-up supplies
Final Prep Tips	
	Double-check the weather forecast
	Share your trip plans with someone at home
	Check for fire restrictions or special regulations
	Test gear at home before your trip
	Pack everything back out - Leave No Trace!