

Switchback Travel Winter Camping Checklist



Winter Camping Equipment

- 4-season tent
- Cold-weather sleeping bag
- Insulated sleeping pad
- Stove and fuel
- Headlamp

Optional:

- Stove platform
- Foam sleeping pad
- Sleeping bag liner
- Backpacking pillow
- Tent footprint/ground cloth
- Extra stakes and guylines
- Pack liner or waterproof stuff sacks



Winter Travel & Avalanche Safety

- Backcountry skis, splitboard, or snowshoes
- Climbing skins (for skis or splitboard)
- Backcountry ski or mountaineering boots
- Backpack or sled
- Poles
- Avalanche beacon
- Probe
- Shovel
- Navigation

Accessories & Optional:

- Daypack or ski pack
- Slope meter
- Snow saw
- Crampons
- Ice axe
- Compass
- Waterproof map or photos of guidebook
- Satellite messenger device
- Backcountry radios
- Binoculars



Cold-Weather Clothing

- Heavyweight down or synthetic jacket
- Hardshell or ski jacket
- Hardshell, softshell, or ski pants
- Baselayers
- Midlayer
- Gloves
- Warm socks
- Sunglasses and ski goggles

Accessories & Optional:

- Beanie or insulated headband
- Liner gloves
- Long underwear
- Insulated pants
- Extra socks
- Down booties
- Gaiters
- Balaclava or neck gaiter



Health & Hygiene

- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Toilet paper/baby wipes
- Hand sanitizer
- Deodorant
- Personal medications
- SPF-rated balm
- Sunscreen
- First aid kit



Personal Items & Extras

- Food
- Cookware
- Coffee, tea, hot chocolate, etc.
- Water bottles
- Thermos
- Animal-resistant food storage
- Camera
- Non-metal spoon
- Disposable hand warmers
- Fire starter
- Lighters/waterproof matches
- Knife or multi-tool
- Whistle
- Basic repair kit
- Cell phone with charger
- Power bank
- Extra batteries
- Notebook and pencil
- Ziploc bags
- Moleskin
- ID, cards, and cash
- Permit or park pass (if required)