

Packing Recommendations for canoe trips – We do NOT provide any of this equipment

*= Items we MAY have available for purchase or rental

The following are general guidelines. Please adjust as the (hot/cold) weather dictates and the length of your trip.
Clothing Recommendation #1 – Avoid cotton. Synthetic materials wick moisture and dry quickly. Wool does not dry fast, but stays warm when wet. (Nylon, polypropylene, cotton/synthetic blends, etc.).

Clothing Recommendation #2 – A reliable & sturdy rainsuit. Plan on rain. And when it rains, a good rainsuit will help keep you dry, warm, & (relatively) comfortable. (Frogg Toggs* are inexpensive and will last a season or two).

Clothing

- **Hiking boots/shoes (they will get and stay wet)**
 - These should be sturdy enough to protect and support your ankles (especially during portages).
 - Expect to get your feet to get wet each day, so these boots/shoes should be made of material that will not retain water (avoid waterproof footwear).
- **A 2nd pair of footwear**
 - These are for in camp wear. You will want to get out of your wet shoes every evening (allow your feet to dry).
- **Socks***
 - Wool or quick dry can often dry out overnight. Otherwise, bring a pair for each day.
- **Trail outfit**
 - Quick drying, comfortable, suitable for weather conditions. This will be your daily “get wet” outfit.
- **Camp outfit**
 - Typically warmer, worn at night/in camp. The goal is to always keep this outfit dry and to keep you warm.
- **Rain Suit – jacket w/hood & pants***
- **Broad-brim hat for sun protection***
- **Bug jacket & Head net* (early season trips)**
- **Swim Suit**
- **Clean clothes for the trip home (leave in the car)**

Early Spring & Fall Trips

- **Fleece Jacket**
- **Wool Socks***
- **Long Underwear***
- **Stocking Hat, gloves for sleeping/in camp**
- **Lightweight Paddling Gloves**
 - Biking gloves or lightweight suggested
- **Additional “as needed” layers**

Extra Snacks

- **Gum**
- **Hard candy**
- **Jerky**

Any personal medication/inhalers/prescriptions

Personal

- **Bug repellent***
 - High DEET % works best, permethrin treated clothing.
- **Sunglasses* & sunglass cord for around your neck***
- **Sunscreen*, Chapstick*, hand/body lotion***
- **Water purifier/filter***
- **Flashlight & batteries***
 - A headlamp is highly recommended
 - Lantern for at night
- **Camera & batteries**
- **Toiletry Items*** (odor free when possible)
- **Bar of soap for cleaning up or wipes***
- **Towel*** (for showering before & after trip)
- **1-qt Water bottle***
 - A bottle with an attached cap allows it to be looped onto the backpack
- **Hair bands*, comb/brush***
- **Bag or compression sack to put your clothes in while out on your trip**
- **Pillow** (small and packable)
- **Clothes pins to hang up wet items**
- **Carabiners** (to clip bottles or items to pack)
- **Fishing/Tackle Box Ideas**
- **Rod & reel*, filet knife***
- **Tackle box**
 - Smaller is better
- **Clipper*, hook remover*, & stringer***
- **Jig heads*** (1/4oz is a good option)
- **Rapala’s* or various lures**
- **Your own “special/secret” lures**
- **Small bungee cords***
 - To attach rod or small items to canoe.

Optional

- Binoculars
- Live Bait Container
- Flask (reusable)

Remember, pack smart – everything that you pack will be with you during the entire duration of your trip and returns with you. Every pound counts.