



NATURE TOURS of Yukon

PACKING LIST CHILKOOT TRAIL

When planning your equipment, please keep in mind that you will have to carry your own backpack. Besides your personal gear you have to carry your share of food and group equipment. Plan at home what you will carry and what you will leave in Whitehorse.

NATURE TOURS OF YUKON PROVIDES:

- Tents.
- Safety equipment: bear spray (pepper spray), first aid kit and satellite phone.
- Camp stove, water treatment, cooking equipment & eating utensils.
- Food, snacks & beverages

WE RECOMMEND GUEST TO BRING:

Trekking:

- Comfortable backpack (70-80 liters); with smaller packs too much gear may have to be put on the outside of the pack, which may cause imbalance and snagging, gear easier gets damp or wet too.
- Waterproof pack bags; these are to help keep your personal belongings from getting dirty or damp before use, these bags can simply be “ZipLock” bags or other sturdy plastic bags.
- Hiking poles; adjustable poles are recommended so they can be strapped to your pack.
- Sleeping bag; is considered a very personal piece of gear, as comfort level is different for everyone, we recommend a temperature rating of -5°C.
- Sleeping pad; is considered a very personal piece of gear too for the same reason, we recommend inflatable ThermaRest mattresses, although some people prefer foam mattresses.
- Lightweight pocket knife or tool.
- Water bottle.

Clothing

- One pair of hiking/trekking pants (quick dry fabric), optional one spare pair of lightweight pants (camp).
- One pair of long underpants, fabric (merino) wool, polyester or blend (NO cotton!!!), can be worn under hiking pants on colder days or in camp under rain pants or lightweight pants for extra comfort.
- Two or three pair of spare regular underpants, fabric (merino) wool, polyester or blend (NO cotton!!!).
- Two T-shirts, one to wear, one spare, we recommend one short sleeve, one long sleeve, material (merino) wool, polyester or blend (NO cotton!!!).
- One long sleeved quick dry shirt or blouse to wear as a second layer.
- One lightweight (windproof) fleece jacket or pullover.

- One breathable wind- and waterproof jacket, preferably with hood, storm skirt and cuffs.
- One pair of rain pants.
- One rain jacket. (Only if regular jacket is not waterproof.)
- Three pair of wool socks, with liner or separate inner socks if preferred.
- One pair of hiking/trekking boots, which should be well broken in, we recommend higher cut models for ankle protection.
- One pair of gaiters; the trail is muddy in place; gaiters keep your pants dry and mud out of your boots.
- Lightweight shoes for camp use and/or creek crossings. No flip-flops!
- One pair of gloves or mittens.
- Neck warmer or scarf.
- Warm hat (wool).
- Sun hat.
- Sunglasses

Toiletries:

- Toothbrush & toothpaste, biodegradable soap, small (pack) towel, hairbrush/comb.
- Small pack of wet wipes in a resealable bag.
- Lip balm, sun lotion, moisturizing lotion, insect repellent.
- Please bring your prescription drugs if required, as well as spare prescription glasses or contacts!

Miscellaneous:

- Photo equipment; consider bringing a compact camera to save weight.
- Diary/note pad/pen.
- Headlamp.

Documents (to be carried in a waterproof bag):

- Passport incl. valid visa for entering USA (if required), check with us if you are not sure.
- Copies of important travel documents - keep separate from originals!
- Credit card, we recommend MasterCard or VISA, American Express is not widely accepted in the north.

NOTE:

- It is very difficult to exchange foreign currencies (except US\$) in the Yukon.
- Please keep adequate insurance coverage on all your equipment. Nature Tours of Yukon assumes no responsibility for lost or damaged equipment.
- Make sure your travel insurance covers remote emergency and/or medical evacuation.

DURING THE TRIP:

Don't forget to look around you: Take in the breathtaking views, see the Gold Rush relics, have fun and enjoy this unique trip into Klondike Gold Rush history and awesome wilderness.