

First Time Campers - Essential Gear Checklist

Shelter & Sleeping

- ☐ Tent
- ☐ Ground tarp
- ☐ Sleeping bag
- ☐ Sleeping pad or air mattress
- ☐ Pillow

Cooking & Food

- ☐ Portable stove or grill
- ☐ Fuel
- ☐ Lighter or matches
- ☐ Pot and pan
- ☐ Utensils
- ☐ Cooler
- ☐ Reusable water bottles

Cleaning Supplies

- ☐ Biodegradable soap
- ☐ Sponge
- ☐ Towel
- ☐ Food storage containers

Clothing & Personal

- ☐ Layered clothing
- ☐ Rain jacket or poncho
- ☐ Extra socks and underwear
- ☐ Sturdy shoes or boots
- ☐ Toiletries (toothbrush, wipes, hand sanitizer)

Sun & Bug Protection

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- ☐ Hat
- ☐ Sunglasses
- ☐ Sunscreen
- ☐ Bug spray

Safety Essentials

- ☐ First aid kit
- ☐ Flashlight or headlamp
- ☐ Extra batteries
- ☐ Whistle
- ☐ Emergency blanket

Navigation Tools

- ☐ Map
- ☐ Compass
- ☐ GPS app (offline)

Tools & Extras

- ☐ Pocketknife or multi-tool
- ☐ Power bank
- ☐ Camp chair (optional)
- ☐ Games (optional)

Organization

- ☐ Duffel bags or bins
- ☐ Labeled containers
- ☐ Color-coded packing system