



## ***Desert Equipment List***

### **YOU SHOULD HAVE**

- backpack (if it's a backpack trip)  
w/sturdy frame (internal or external)
- day pack (larger if car camping)
- tent with rain fly
- sleeping bag (preferably synthetic)
- sleeping pad
- high quality rain jacket & rain pants
- long underwear top
- long underwear bottom
- long-sleeve work shirt
- long work pants
- 2 warm jackets/sweaters/shirts
- 2 T-shirts
- hiking shorts
- 2-3 underwear/running shorts/nylon-poly briefs (dry fast)
- 3 hiking socks (more if car camping)
- pile or wool cap
- clothing stuff sacks
- work gloves (preferably leather palm)
- hiking boots (well broken in)
- camp shoes (sandals or running shoes)
- water purification filter or chemical
- at least 3 one-quart water bottles
- spoon/spork
- cup/mug
- bowl/plate (plastic container w/lid makes good dish & lunch box)
- light (headlamp/flashlight) & spare batteries & bulb
- trail map & compass
- sun hat
- sun glasses
- sunscreen & lip balm

- toilet kit (shovel, TP, hand sanitizer, wipes)
- personal first aid kit (suggested items below)
- medications you take daily
- insect repellent

### **OPTIONAL GEAR**

- extra T-shirts, shorts, long underwear
- lycra-type sports bra (dry fast)
- bathing suit
- bath towel
- solar shower (if car camping)
- gaiters (keeps seeds/stickers & water out of boots)
- backpack seat (or chair if car camping)
- backpack cover
- ground tarp (if sleeping outside a tent)
- hiking staff or trekking poles
- camera & film (spare batteries & card)
- reading book
- guide book for flower/tree/bird
- binoculars/spotting scope
- hand lens for flowers, rocks, etc.
- waterproof matches/emergency fire starter
- emergency whistle
- multi-knife/multi-tool
- signal mirror
- extra car keys
- bandanna(s)/handkerchief
- fishing gear and fishing license
- bear bells

### **Suggested First Aid Items**

Band Aids  
Sterile gauze bandages  
Medical tape, breathable fabric  
First aid cream (Neosporin or Bacitracin)  
Moleskin (for blisters)  
Second-skin type gel (for blisters & burns)  
Tweezers

Scissors  
Anti-inflammatory meds (Motrin, Aleve, etc)  
Anti-acid tablets (Gaviscon, Tums, Roloids, etc)  
Diarrhea meds (Pepto Bismol, Imodium, etc)  
Ace bandage (for ankles, knees, wrist)  
Hydrocortisone cream  
Benadryl (for allergic rashes & itching)