Car Camping Checklist

Car camping simply means that you load up all of your gear for the trip in your car, pull into your campsite, and set up your tent on a designated tent pad. This experience can be called "base camping" as well, and the benefits of car camping are most felt by the amount of gear one can take, as you aren't restricted to what you can carry. Car camping requires forethought and preparation in order to ensure a safe and comfortable trip, so be sure to review this checklist for all of your essentials. Please adjust this list to fit your individual needs.

Basic Essentials

- □ Battery Jumper Cables
- □ Hydraulic System
- □ Tire Pressure Gauge
- Camping Tent
- □ Truck Tent
- □ Tent Footprint
- □ Tent Poles, Guy Line and Repair Sleeve
- □ Tarp or Screen House
- Day Pack
- □ Air Mattress

Cooking Gear

- □ Freeze-Dried and Prepared Food Items
- □ Camping Cookware
- □ Stove with Fuel
- □ Dishes, Utensils
- □ Water Filtration System
- Windscreen
- □ Charcoal or Firewood
- □ Grill Rack
- □ Dutch Oven
- D Portable Coffee/Espresso Maker

Basic Gear

- □ Trekking Poles
- □ Binoculars
- □ Batteries
- Portable Power/Solar Charger
- Rope
- □ 2-Way Radio
- □ Hand/Foot Warmers
- □ Energy Food/Snacks
- □ Lantern (with mantle if needed)
- □ Lantern Fuel
- Quick-Dry Towel
- □ Camera

Gear for Activities

- Car Racks
- Child Carrier
- Rolling Jogger
- □ Canoe/Kayak

- □ Mattress Repair Kit
- Pump
- □ Sleeping Bag
- □ Sleeping Pad
- □ Pillows
- □ Mallet or Hammer
- □ Hammock or Cots
- □ Portable Outhouse
- □ Portable Shower
- □ Pet Tent, Bed, and Supplies
- Hot-Cold Vacuum Bottle
- □ Bottle Opener/Corkscrew
- □ Can Opener
- □ Trash Bags
- □ Coolers
- □ Ice
- □ Cutting Board or Cutting Surface
- 🗆 Foil
- Portable Standing Camp Sink
- □ GPS/Maps/Compass
- □ Lip Balm
- □ Sunscreen
- □ Sunglasses
- □ Flashlight/Headlamp
- □ Hydration Pack/Water Bottle
- □ Knife/Multi-Tool
- □ Lighter
- □ Folding Chairs and Table
- □ Spare Glasses/Contacts
- □ Shower Water Bag
- □ Avalanche Indicator
- □ Float Tubes or Inflatable
- □ PDFs and/or Helmets
- □ Fishing Gear
- □ Playing Cards, Games, and Toys

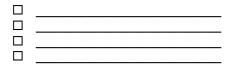
Clothing

- □ Wicking T-Shirt and Pants
- □ Long-Sleeve Shirt
- □ Tanktop
- □ Thermal Underwear
- □ Jacket or Insulated Vest
- □ Bandana or Buff
- □ Mosquito Net Clothing

First Aid

- □ First Aid Kit
- □ Survival Blanket
- □ Fire Starter
- □ Insect Repellant/Candle

Personal Essentials



- □ Stocking Cap/Beanie
- □ Insulated Gloves
- Rain Jacket
- □ Windbreaker/Pullover
- □ Technical Socks
- □ Boot Gaiters
- □ Anti-Itch Cream
- □ Toiletry Kit
- □ Bear Spray
- □ Biodegradable Soap