



Family Camping Checklist

Core camp setup | fillable PDF | page 1 of 3



Beginner Essentials

Shelter and Sleeping

- ☐ Tent
- ☐ Tent stakes
- ☐ Tent rainfly
- ☐ Ground cover or tarp
- ☐ Sleeping bags
- ☐ Sleeping pad / air mattress / foam pad

Clothing

- ☐ Shirts and base layers
- ☐ Underwear
- ☐ Socks
- ☐ Warm jacket or hoodie
- ☐ Rain jacket or poncho
- ☐ Hat
- ☐ Hiking boots or shoes



Intermediate Comfort Items

Shelter and Campsite

- ☐ Canopy or shade shelter
- ☐ Lantern

Sleeping Comfort

- ☐ Pillows
- ☐ Extra blankets or moving blankets

Clothing and Personal Comfort

- ☐ Pajamas
- ☐ Sunglasses
- ☐ Sandals or camp shoes
- ☐ Flip flops for bathroom trips
- ☐ Swimsuits



Advanced / Nice-to-Have

Cooking and Campfire

- ☐ Campfire coffee pot
- ☐ Skewers for roasting
- ☐ Meat thermometer

Navigation and Planning

- ☐ Map of area
- ☐ Compass or GPS or offline map

Documents and Money

- ☐ Reservation printout
- ☐ Camping or parking permits
- ☐ Insurance card
- ☐ Cash for small purchases
- ☐ Credit or debit card
- ☐ Written emergency phone numbers
- ☐ Wallet





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Food, comfort and activities | fillable PDF | page 2 of 3



Beginner Essentials

Cooking and Food

- ☐ Food for meals
- ☐ Drinks
- ☐ Water bottles or jugs
- ☐ Portable propane / kerosene stove
- ☐ Cooking pot or pan

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Kitchen and Eating

- ☐ Plates
- ☐ Cups
- ☐ Silverware
- ☐ Basic eating utensils
- ☐ Cooler with ice

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Health and Safety

- ☐ First aid kit
- ☐ Medications
- ☐ Sunscreen
- ☐ Insect repellent

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Intermediate Comfort Items

Cooking Equipment

- ☐ Saucepan, skillet, or griddle
- ☐ Cooking utensils (spatula, tongs)
- ☐ Can opener
- ☐ Aluminum foil
- ☐ Cutting board
- ☐ Seasonings or cooking oil

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Kitchen Supplies

- ☐ Paper towels
- ☐ Napkins
- ☐ Dish towels or hand towels
- ☐ Oven mitts
- ☐ Storage bags
- ☐ Garbage bags

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Power and Electronics

- ☐ Cell phone charger
- ☐ Power bank or solar charger

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Advanced / Nice-to-Have

Activities and Recreation

- ☐ Fishing gear
- ☐ Card games
- ☐ Notebook and pen
- ☐ Books or magazines
- ☐ Bicycles and helmets
- ☐ Ball or frisbee
- ☐ Glowsticks
- ☐ Bubbles or sidewalk chalk
- ☐ Sports equipment
- ☐ Canoe, kayak, or paddleboard
- ☐ Arts and crafts

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Comfort Items

- ☐ Camping chairs
- ☐ Folding table
- ☐ Hammock

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Extra Safety Items

- ☐ Whistle
- ☐ Flares
- ☐ Bear spray (where appropriate)
- ☐ Face coverings

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