

What to Bring

REFERENCE: *Scouts BSA Handbook for Boys* and *Scouts BSA Handbook for Girls*—Chapter 9, Camping

Overnight gear, the Scout Basic Essentials, and appropriate clothing are the heart of camping equipment.

Carry a light load of only what you need to keep yourself safe and make a good camp; leave all unnecessary items at home.

PERSONAL OVERNIGHT CAMPING GEAR

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SCOUT BASIC ESSENTIALS

- Pocketknife
- First-aid kit
- Extra clothing
- Rain gear
- Water bottle filled with potable water
- Flashlight
- Trail food
- Matches and fire starters
- Sun protection
- Map and compass
- Clothing for the season (warm-weather or cold-weather)
- Backpack
- Rain cover for backpack
- Sleeping bag, or two or three blankets
- Sleeping pad
- Ground cloth

EATING KIT

- Spoon
- Plate
- Bowl
- Cup

CLEANUP KIT

- Soap
- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Dental floss
- Comb
- Washcloth
- Towel

PERSONAL EXTRAS (OPTIONAL)

- Watch
- Camera and film
- Notebook or paper
- Pencil or pen
- Sunglasses
- Small musical instrument
- Swimsuit
- Gloves

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PATROL OR GROUP OVERNIGHT CAMPING GEAR

The following items can be borrowed from your troop gear box or other leaders

Two-person backpacking tent
with poles, stakes, ground cloths and lines

Dining fly

Nylon cord, 50 feet

CLEANUP KIT

Sponge or dishcloth

Biodegradable soap

Sanitizing rinse agent (bleach)

Scouring pads (no-soap type)

Plastic trash bags

Toilet paper in plastic bag

REPAIR KIT

Thread

Needles

Safety pins

GROUP EXTRAS (OPTIONAL)

Hot-pot tongs

Camp shovel

Water container, one 1-gallon or

Two ½ gallon collapsible, plastic

Washbasin

Grill

Pot rods

Patrol flag

Small U.S. flag

Sheathed ax

Camp saw