



BookTrails Camp Overnight Camp Packing List

One suitcase, duffel bag, or footlocker and a sleeping bag are sufficient for packing for a week or two of camp. Space is limited in the cabins, please do not over pack. CLEARLY MARK EVERYTHING WITH YOUR CAMPER'S NAME or INITIALS!

We suggest that you send old clothes and linens with your camper. Some items may be lost or damaged. Please remember that we are in the heart of the Rocky Mountains and our weather can be unpredictable! Our temperatures usually reach 75 to 80 degrees in the daytime all summer and drop to 35- 48 at night in August. Our summers offer beautiful, sunny days with occasional afternoon showers and cool, crisp evenings and nights. This list has been created with your camper's comfort and preparedness in mind. Those items listed as essential must be brought to camp.

Do Not Bring These Items to Camp!

*alcohol *tobacco *drugs *knives *expensive items *money *skate boards *tank/tube/sleeveless tops *short shorts *food/candy/gum *soda *snacks

We strive to offer children a unique outdoor experience. Please help support us in this mission by not allowing campers to bring cell phones, MP3 players, iPods, iPads or electronic games as they detract from the experience.

We realize in this age of instant connectivity that it may be uncomfortable if your child does not have their cell phone with them. We ask that if you need to contact your child to please call the camp director and we will arrange for that conversation to take place. We strive to have the kids disconnect electronically so they can not only reconnect with nature but also with themselves. Check out this Ted Talk on the value of disconnecting while at camp: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4rI3oIRHxP4>

Our camp fees include all meals and daily snacks. Please do not send your child with food as it will attract animals to their belongings.

*Reading on Ranches Camp is not responsible for lost or damaged items.

Essential Items

Sleeping bag (lightweight but warm with a rating of 15-20 degrees; filled with synthetic fibers or down, cotton is not advised. Pad is not necessary as campers will sleep on cots, but can be brought if preferred. Please pack a pillow.

Day pack (book/school pack size) with the following items in it:

- 2 water bottles (round with screw top lids that don't leak-Nalgene brand is best) If you child brings a camelbak, please also have them pack a regular bottle.
- rain gear (poncho or coat/pants combination)
- medium weight jacket (warm-long sleeved fleece works best)
- sunscreen
- insect repellent (non-aerosol)
- lip balm with SPF
- baseball cap or bandana
- sunglasses with UV protection
- flashlight with extra batteries

Duffle or other bag:

- 4 t-shirts
- 1 pair of sweatpants
- 1 sweatshirts or sweaters
- 3 socks-cotton; 1 pair wool socks
- 2 pairs of jeans or long pants
- 2 pairs of shorts (no short shorts)
- 1 set of pajamas/appropriate sleeping attire
- 1 swimming suit
- 1 set long underwear (polypropylene-not cotton)
- 6 pairs of underwear
- 2 bath towels (one for beach, one for bathing) / 1 wash cloth
- 1 pair water shoes
- hiking boots or sturdy tennis shoes
- laundry or garbage bag (for dirty clothes)
- Toiletry Kit (something to bring items to the shower)
- toothbrush/paste
- deodorant soap/shampoo/conditioner comb or brush

Optional:

- bedding: pillow/linens (most campers sleep in their sleeping bags)
- extra blanket for warmth
- camera, books, games
- stationary, pre-stamped envelopes and pens
- Crazy Creek (it's a chair) or camp chair