



Day Guided Trip

Suggested Gear List

This list is to aid you when packing/planning your visit to Cooke City for a day guided trip. Similarly, this can be used to pack for day trips out of either of our huts, in conjunction with overnight gear found in our hut trip packing list.

Clothing

Backcountry skiing is a very aerobic sport. Learning how to layer and having many options to do so is key to staying comfortable for long days. Remember that the weather changes rapidly in Montana and the mountains around Cooke City are 8,000'+. Adjust accordingly to the current seasonal weather and whether you naturally run hot or cold.

- Base layer top and bottoms (capilene or wool)
- Mid layer vest and/or top
- Weather proof outer shell, top and bottom (Gore Tex or equivalent)
- Down/synthetic insulated jacket
- Wool or synthetic socks
- Gloves or Mittens (2 pairs recommended, light and heavy)
- Sun visor or brimmed hat, stocking cap, buff or bandana

Snow Safety Gear

- Avalanche transceiver (must be a modern 3 antenna beacon manufactured in the last 10 years)
- Shovel (must be metal, no plastic)
- Probe (at least 230cm)
- Snow Study kit *

Ski Gear and Accessories

- Alpine Touring skis, Telemark, or Split board
- Ski/Snowboard boots
- Ski poles- powder baskets preferable
- Climbing Skins- make sure these fit your skis/board and cover the whole base
- First Aid/Foot Repair-Blister kit- bring what you need for yourself

- Goggles or Sunglasses (or both- glasses can be nice for up and goggles for down!)
- Extra batteries- for beacon and headlamp
- Medium sized pack- 20/30 liters is ideal for day touring
- Map/Compass*
- Ski scraper *

Other Essentials

- Food for the day- bring a variety of snacks and lunch since we'll be working hard all day
- 1L of water at minimum- a thermos of tea can be quite nice in the winter as well! Try to avoid bladder style hydration units, they tend to freeze
- Sunscreen
- Headlamp
- Lip Balm

Accessories

- Cell phone for photos/navigation*
- Leatherman/Multi tool*

*Optional gear

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