

# Bearpaw Outfitters Equipment List

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Please review this list, some items are not needed for all trips; and there may be other items you want to bring, ask if you're not sure. If you are flying on airlines use a double gun case and put two hunter's rifles in the same case. This way you can take one extra cooler of meat home without paying additional baggage. You can also put extra clothing or gear in your gun case if your duffel bag is full. Do not put your cartridges in the gun case. Put your cartridges, knife, matches, fire paste, & aerosols in your duffel bag. Check your gun/bow case and your duffel bag, carry your day pack on the plane, it has your most valuable items. We advise you to get trip insurance for your own benefit. If needed, you can ship items in advance for many hunts that we offer, ask in advance about this.

**Trip Insurance** - Recommended for you, your hunting trip, and your gear: <http://www.travelguard.com/sportsmans>

Sleeping Bag - Lightweight bag if staying in cabins or heavyweight if camping. Not needed if a Motel or Idaho Lodge hunt.

Hunting Jackets - Bring a quiet lightweight waterproof jacket and a heavy jacket with a liner that can be removed.

Waterproof Boots - Bring Lightweight quiet boots and a pair of heavy insulated boots if hunting during cool weather.

Clothing - Quiet clothing. Light weight for summer hunts, medium for spring & early fall, or heavy clothing late fall/winter.

**Large Duffel Bag** (Check with your airline in advance so you know the maximum bag weight that's allowed.)

Camouflage Clothes (Pre-wash with unscented soap.)

Orange Vest & Hat (for modern firearm hunts)

Rain Gear

Hat or Cap that is appropriate for the season.

Jackets & Boots

Socks

Shirts

Pants

Underwear

Long Johns

Gators (if hunting during snow season)

Toiletries Kit

Unscented Shampoo

Unscented Deodorant

Bath Towel (if camping)

Wash Cloth (if camping)

Helmet (recommended if using horses or ATV)

**Put these items in your Day Pack after arrival.**

20-40 Rounds of Ammo

Knife (in checked baggage on airline)

Fire Starter (put in day pack after arrival)

Waterproof Matches or Lighter

Bug Repellent (Apr, May, Aug or Sept)

No-Scent Spray

Trail Ribbon

Drinking Water Purifier Filter

Game Bags (not needed after Nov 1)

Hunting Gloves

Water Bottle

Candy or Trail Mix (personal snack food)

Compact First Aid / Snake Bite Kit

Compact Emergency Blanket

**Gun or Bow Case (airline approved, packed with)**

Your Gun, Bow, Shotgun, or Pistol

Harris Rifle Bipod (25" to 27") or Shooting Sticks

20 Hunt Arrows, 3 Target Arrows (for bow hunts only)

Bow Release (for bow hunts only)

**Day Pack (carry on plane, packed with the following)**

Quality Binoculars (8X or 10X)

Spotting Scope (if you own one)

Laser Rangefinder (if you own one)

Compass or GPS

Cell Phone with charger or extra battery

FM Handheld Radio (preferably AA batteries)

AA Mag-Light or Headlamp

AA Batteries, Extra 12-Pack

Camera with extra Film or Chip

License & Tag

Chap Stick - Pain Reliever - Antacid

Prescription Medicine (if needed)

Sun Glasses

**Unguided Hunters May Also Want**

Pack Frame (for packing game)

4x4 Vehicle (for transportation)

ATV (for transportation)

**Bring or purchase after you get your animals.**

48 QT Coolers (for transporting meat)

Shipping Tape (for sealing coolers)

**Additional Turkey Info:** Don't Bring bright T-Shirts, Shoes, or Socks, turkeys can see them. Bring green, tan, brown, black, or camo.

12 Gauge Shotgun.....3" or 3 1/2" chamber with an extra-full turkey choke tube. Full or Modified chokes are not adequate.

Camouflage Guns.....Tape your gun if necessary. Don't use gun socks, they hamper vision and cause misses.

Cartridges.....Bring 3" or 3 1/2" Copper-Plated Turkey Loads or Heavy-Shot with #6 or #5 size shot.

Practice Shooting.....Shoot at turkey head targets at 10, 20, 30, 40, and 50 yards so you know how your gun shoots.

Camouflage Clothing...Pants, Shirts, Jacket, Gloves, and a Head Net with eye holes. Any forest pattern will work fine.

**Idaho Horseback Drop Camps**  2 Sm Duffel Bags for Gear  2 Sm Duffel Bags for Food  Cell or Satellite Phone

Limit the weight of your gear and food to 80 pounds per person. Important: We must pack equal weight on each side of the horses so pre-pack each person's gear into two small duffel bags of equal size and weight and food into two bags of equal weight (use your bathroom scale to check weight). One riding horse and 1/2 pack horse are provided for each hunter. We pack you into camp, and we pack you and your game out of camp. You will need to get your game to the camp or to a horse trail and we pack it out from there. If you want to reserve additional pack horses we can provide them for \$200 per horse or we can make additional trips to your camp for \$600 per trip. Many cell phones have service on top of the ridge behind camp in case you need to make a call. Satellite phones are advisable for safety and convenience and can be rented: [http://www.foresightsat.com/index\\_files/Page928.htm](http://www.foresightsat.com/index_files/Page928.htm)

Keep food lightweight, simple to prepare, and choose items with a minimum amount of leftover garbage. Boxes and plastic containers can be burnt. Keep glass containers, cans, and heavy items to a minimum. Military MRE's, de-hydrated foods and meals, and instant powdered drinks are great. Cured or precooked meats such as ham, bacon, jerky, corned beef, spam, bologna, and tuna will keep longer than fresh meats. Trail mix and candy bars provide quick energy. Instant coffee, instant tea, powdered milk, instant pasta and rice meals, instant potatoes, dried fruits & vegetables, instant or boxed cereal, granola bars, and some fresh eggs are OK. Bring two small coolers for eggs& perishables packed with equal weight.