

Packing List – Sea Kayaking Black Canyon

Your trip with Four Season Guides is sure to be one you never forget, but a big part of having lots of fun is being well prepared! Even though we provide the camping equipment essentials, there are a few things we want to be sure you don't forget!

Our season runs year round, please keep in mind the season of your trip when packing, not all of this list will apply to your trip.

Personal clothing should include:

- Water Sandals (something supportive and has a heel strap)
- Light weight long pants (Convertible zip-offs)
- 1 pair of shorts (quick dry)
- 2 T-shirts (preferably synthetic)
- 1 long sleeve nylon or synthetic shirt
- Bathing Suit (for hot springs)
- Good synthetic or wool socks (i.e. Fox River®, Smartwool®)
- Pack Towel
- Warm jacket or light weight fleece (year round)
- Rain jacket or paddle jacket
- Wide brim hat
- Sunglasses
- Paddling gloves-neoprene for warmth, blister protection, and sun protection

We recommend that your clothing be made from wicking materials such as; Under Armour® and/or Coolmax®. Cotton OK May-September

Spring/Fall/Winter (Mid October – April)

- 1 wool hat or toque
- 1 pair of wool or fleece gloves/mittens
- One pair of “thin” neoprene socks
- 1 heavy long sleeve synthetic shirt or fleece jacket
- 1 pair of mid-weight long synthetic bottoms
- Waterproof pants
- Waterproof Jacket

Spring, fall and winter temperatures vary greatly from day to night, and sun to shade. The day time temperatures can be very warm, reaching into the 70's or even the 80's, with the night temperatures dropping near freezing. It's best to be prepared for both warm days and cool nights. Bring layers of quick-dry clothing. The water flowing out of the Hoover Dam is a consistent 52 °F through Black

Canyon. This makes for a nice way to cool off during the heat of the summer, but given the chance of any weather change might cause discomfort for the under-prepared.

Personal toiletries:

- Toothbrush and paste (travel size)
- A small thing of Tissue or Toilet paper (not a full roll-travel size)
- Strong sunscreen SPF 35 and up
- Personal medication (ibuprofen, Benadryl, Tums) If you suffer from severe allergic reactions, you should bring an Epi Pen

Other Mandatory items:

- Capacity to carry 3 liters of water (we recommend a hydration bladder)
- One 32oz. Wide mouth Nalgene Bottle – this will count for 1 of the 3 liters
- Flashlight or headlamp
- **Identification – *if you do not have ID, you will not be able to get through Security at the Hoover Dam and you will NOT be able to go and there are no refunds because of this.***

Optional Items

- Camera – (waterproof or waterproof case) batteries
- Lip balm
- Bandanna
- Carabiners -2
- Insect repellent

Each person is limited to 12 pounds (5kgs) for all of the above listed personal equipment.

The price of the trip includes all necessary gear; Kayak, paddle, life jacket, tent, sleeping bag, sleeping pad, backpack, trekking poles, water filtration, bowls, cups, stove, cookware. However, you are more than welcome to use your own backpack, tent, sleeping bag and sleeping pad if you would like, provided they are the appropriate size and weight for the trip.

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