



BACKCOUNTRY SKI EQUIPMENT LIST

TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT:

The following equipment is mandatory for a day of backcountry skiing. You are expected to provide your own equipment and/or rent gear in advance for your outing. Rental prices apply.

- **Backcountry Touring Skis or Splitboard:** Should include backcountry touring skis/splitboard, touring boots, climbing skins, poles (collapsible for splitboarders), and one ski strap. The following locations rent backcountry ski/snowboard setups for around \$60-\$80/day.
 - Big Sky: [Gallatin Alpine Sports](#) (skis) - 406-995-2313
 - Bozeman: [Uphill Pursuits](#) (skis) - 406-404-1021
 - Bozeman: [World Boards](#) (splitboards) - 406-587-1707
- **Avalanche Safety Pack:** Backpack containing avalanche beacon, shovel, and probe. These can be rented for \$50/day from MAG - must be coordinated in advance.
- **Helmet:** All participants must have a helmet for backcountry ski travel.

NOTE: It is your responsibility to ensure that you have the proper gear from this list and/or RESERVE YOUR GEAR in advance for your trip. We will not be able to provide refunds if you fail to provide, reserve, and rent your gear in advance.

CLOTHING LIST:

- **Long Underwear:** mid-weight (top & bottom), synthetic or wool
- **Soft or Hard-shell Pants**
- **Fleece or Sweater:** medium or lightweight
- **Fleece (heavyweight):** have as backup in case your trip is during a cold snap
- **Insulated Jacket:** down or synthetic
- **Waterproof Jacket with Hood:** Gore-Tex
- **Ski Socks**
- **Hat:** fleece or wool hat that covers ears & fits under a helmet
- **Gloves:** one medium weight and one thick pair/mittens
- **Neck Gaiter/Buff or Scarf**

**If your body runs cold you may want to add another layer*

OTHER:

- **Ski Pack:** 25-40L with ski/snowboard and avalanche gear carrying capabilities
- **Sunscreen, Sunglasses**
- **Thermos:** optional but wonderful to have
- **1-liter water bottle** with insulated sleeve (full!) - Camelbaks are not recommended due to their tendency to freeze
- **Food for the day:** energy bars, GU packs, or Hammer Gels
Hint: keep some food in your pockets so it doesn't freeze.
- **Camera:** optional
- **Hand warmers:** optional
- **Guide Gratuity:** as part of the service industry, guide gratuity is appreciated but not required

Guides Tip: Leave some food and water in the car for your return.