

# Wild Montana Volunteer Trail Crew Packing List

**Frontcountry camping:** We'll set up camp right near our cars. Don't skimp on the luxury items. A pillow or two, cold beer, bath towel, camp chair – it's hard to bring too much when you're car camping.

**Backcountry camping:** You'll have to carry all your personal gear in your pack for the length of the hike into camp. These trips are where you'll have to make some tough decisions and make a few sacrifices. (See ya next week, deodorant!) Packers will haul in our group gear.

## Need To Bring It

- Backpack
- Tent
- Sleeping bag
- Sleeping pad
- Mess kit
- Work boots
- Work pants
- Moisture-wicking shirts (at least one with long sleeves)
- Headlamp (and extra batteries)
- Wool socks
- “Sacred socks” for sleeping
- Underwear
- Hat
- Sunglasses
- Rain jacket
- Rain pants
- Warm layers (don't skimp)
- Thermal underwear
- Toiletries & sunscreen
- Bag for toiletries
- Camp shoes/creek crossing shoes
- Camp pants/shorts
- Water bottles (three liters minimum)
- Prescription medications

## Good Idea to Bring It

- Packable camp towel
- Book

- Rope
- Lighter
- Pocket knife
- Over-the-counter drugs (especially ibuprofen)
- First aid kit
- Bug spray
- Bandana
- Large trash bag/pack liner

## Luxury Items

- Fishing pole
- Camp chair
- Travel pillow
- Beer & whisky
- Camera

## Do Not Bring

- Cotton clothing
- Extra snacks (unless you have the capacity to store them in a bear-safe manner)
- Illegal substances
- Your dog
- Your gun. Volunteers (with the exception of packers) may not carry firearms per the Forest Service volunteer agreement, regardless of whether they are licensed to carry a concealed weapon.