

## Clothing and Equipment List for Pirates o' Prince William Sound

Please read: You do not need to go and buy all of the most expensive equipment at your local gear store to go on a summer visit trip. However, it is essential that you are properly outfitted to stay safe. PLEASE contact us if you have any questions.

Weather: Summer in Alaska can be warm (70) and sunny, but temperatures often dip down to 30 degrees and it can rain for weeks on end. It is very important that you have the proper clothing for these types of conditions. If you have any questions what so ever, please do not hesitate to call. We can provide you with lots of information on equipment and cheap places to purchase it. We have been doing this for a long time and know what works and what does not work for Alaska!

### Important notes about clothing:

Cotton clothing should be avoided whenever possible. When cotton gets wet it loses all of its insulation value and takes a long time to dry. For this reason, we encourage everyone to use wool, silk, or synthetics (acrylic, polyester, nylon, or polypropylene). Synthetic clothing can be found at any sporting goods stores and at most major chain stores – Wal Mart, Target or Kmart. For inexpensive wool items, check out second hand stores or the Salvation Army.

### REQUIRED

#### Footwear:

- Comfortable trail shoes or sandals for in camp use
- 2 pairs (minimum) of wool or synthetic socks

#### Clothing:

- 1 pair (top and bottom) expedition weight long underwear – NOT COTTON!
- 1 pair lightweight wind/waterproof pants\*
- 1 wind/waterproof jacket\*
- 1 pair synthetic pants
- 1 long sleeve synthetic shirt
- 1 short sleeve synthetic shirt
- 1 insulating shirt (fleece or wool sweater)
- 1 bathing suit
- 1 warm hat (wool or synthetic)
- 1 pair of lightweight synthetic gloves and/or 1 pair of heavy fleece/wool gloves

#### Gear:

- synthetic sleeping bag (rated to 20 degrees)\*\*
- sleeping pad\*\*
- lip balm, sunscreen, sunglasses
- plastic bowl for meals (Tupperware works great)
- spoon, fork and knife
- insulated travel mug
- 2 1-liter water bottles (nalgene-like, large mouth)
- 3 1-gallon Ziploc baggies

2 heavy duty trash bags (the bags for trash compactors work great)  
Daypack for hiking – big enough to carry water, a coat, and a snack

Optional:

mosquito head net (highly recommended)  
bug repellent (must be in checked baggage)  
A large duffle bag – for taking gear to and from boats  
Crazy Creek, sit pad or sleeping-pad chair kit  
baseball cap or bandana  
pocket knife (must be in checked baggage)  
camera  
binoculars  
camp games (cards, hacky sack, Frisbee, etc)  
head lamp/flashlight  
camp pillow

\*A note on raingear: You'll probably spend a lot of time in your rain gear, not just while it's raining but also when hiking through wet brush and hanging around camp. The pants should be durable, well fitting, and light weight. The jacket shell absolutely has to have a hood. If it does not have a hood you'll need to bring a waterproof hat. Size your rain gear large enough so you can wear it over all your layers. **For this trip paddling tops and bottoms can be borrowed from Outdoor Programs once you get here (at no additional cost to you) which can serve as your raingear.**

\*\*If you don't have a sleeping bag that is rated to 20 degrees (15-20 range works best) or a sleeping pad, there will be bags and pads available to borrow from Outdoor Programs once you get here (at no additional cost to you). Sleeping pads can be closed-cell foam or the therma-rest style as long as they're full length.