

The Ultimate Family Camping List

From Mountain Baby

Packing for a family can be a daunting task, there are so many things to remember and so little time to get everything prepared. Many parents find themselves checking and re-checking everything to make sure all the necessities are there, and even then there is that dreadful feeling of “what did we forget?” as you pull out of the driveway.

That is why we prepared the Ultimate Family Camping list. This list provides a simple way to make sure you pack all the necessities.

Items have been broken down into a few categories:

Category 1: Shelter

Tents, sleeping bags and everything you need to stay warm and protected from the elements!

Category 2: Personal Pack

This is something that each member of the family will have to pack for themselves. Clothing, toothbrushes and personal hygiene products fall under this category. Helping kids pack their own personal pack is a great way to get them involved in the packing process! Of course, if you have toddlers or very young children you will need to pack this yourself.

Category 3: Food / Cooking tools

Pots, Pans, utensils and food go here. We’ve also provided a handy “meal planning” portion at the end of the list to help you decide what you want to eat and get all the ingredients ready!

Category 4: health and safety

Everything you need to stay safe and healthy. Shared hygiene products (like toothpaste, sunscreen etc), are all in here as well as a list for a “pack once” emergency first aid kit.

Category 5: Utilities

Flash lights, Bunge chords, rope.. all the handy tools you need to maintain your camp!

Category 6: Kids Toys & Playtime

Games, Toys and activities. Everything you need to keep your children entertained and help them explore the great outdoors!

Category 7: Beach and Water Gear

Fun in the sun! This one deserves its own category

Shelter

- Family Tent
- Kids Tent (We recommend the Peapod Travel Bed for children, it can fit inside your family tent!)
- Tent Pegs
- Poles
- Rope
- Sleeping Bags (Kelty sleeping bags are a customer favorite)
- Priva Pad – A waterproof sleeping bag protector in case of night time leaks
- Sleeping Pads / Air mattress
- Tarps (for below and above tent)
- Pillow
- Bug Shelter / Dining area
- Blankets
- Sheep Skin
- Cooler
- Ice
- Camp stove or Firepit Grill
- Bowls / plates / Utensils (We carry stainless steel cups and tumblers)
- Can opener
- Lighters / matches
- Folding chairs
- Table Cloth
- Pot holders / Hot mats
- Paper Towels
- Aluminum foil
- Measuring cups
- Measuring spoons
- Zip seal bags
- Cutting Board
- Knife
- Mixing Bowls
- Baby Food Mill (available on our site)

Clothing / Personal Pack

- T-Shirts
- Shorts
- Pants
- Socks
- Shoes / Boots
- Sun hat (Check out our “ultimate sun hat” to find out exactly what features provide the best sun protection)
- Sweater / Jacket
- Underwear
- Swim Suit
- Rain Gear
- Tooth Brush
- Towel
- Comb
- Sun Hat
- Flip flops
- Pdraig Wool slippers (work great inside tents!)

Cooking / Kitchen tools

Health and Safety

- Laundry bag
- Facecloth
- Nail Clippers
- Toilet Paper
- Portable Shower
- Wet-Wipes (baby wipes)
- Flashlight
- Sunscreen
- Bug Spray
- After Bite (calamine lotion)
- Kids Tylenol
- Adult Tylenol
- Suntent or beach umbrella
- Citronella candles
- Sun suit (Nozone makes great sun suits)
- Lighter / Matches
- Tick Remover
- Emergency First Aid Kit
 - Medical Tape
 - Gauze

- Band-aids (small, medium and butterfly)
- Tensor Band
- Alcohol Wipes
- Aloe Vera Gel
- Scissors
- Tweezers
- Life Jacket (Salus makes some of the best children's life jackets)
- Water Shoes
- Swim Diaper
- Inflatable Toys / Floaties
- Sun Shelter (the Peapod can double as a kids sun shelter)
- Buckets and shovels for sand castle fun

Utilities

- Flashlight
- Extra Batteries
- Portable Radio (to listen to the weather report)
- Camera
- Potty
- Axe
- Chairs
- Headlamp
- Camera
- Lantern
- Baby carrier
- Clothes line
- Duct Tape
- Pet food
- Nylon Bag
- Unbreakable Mirror (we carry this and many other Coghlan's products for less than 10\$)
- Whistle

Water and Beach Gear:

Kids Items (since many of these items are age based, pack items based on the needs of your children)

Necessities:

- Diapers
- Diaper Shirt / Onesie
- Baby Blanket
- Potty
- Water Shoes
- Playpen
- Stroller
- Portable Play Pen (we carry a very well designed and portable model from Phil & Ted)
- High Chair (check out our clip on high chair, extremely portable and clips onto any table)
- Training Pants

Toys and Games: Here are a few recommendations from other Mountain Baby Customers!

- Books
- Bike (Check out the Runners Bike for young children on the go!)
- Friendship Bracelet supplies (beads, rope, etc)

- Journal
- Art Supplies
- Card games (UNO is a family favorite!)
- Favorite stuffed animal
- Nintendo DS (weather dependant)
- Bug Cage
- Beach Toys / Water toys (if you bring an air mattress, don't forget a patch kit!)
- Special "pouches" for your kids to start a rock collection
- Frisbee
- Skipping Rope
- Beach Ball
- Favorite Doll or Action Figure
- Board Games
- Binoculars
- Music toys /instruments
- Inflatable animals
- Insect House to capture bugs

Favorites: These items sold my Mountain Baby have been recommended by our customers for camping. Also be sure to check out our "10 handy camping items" all for less than 10\$ each.

- Wooden Toys – Well made for use in an outdoor setting
- PJzzz – Family favorite pajamas designed with comfort in mind
- Lunchbots containers – A durable, stainless steel food container designed for rugged use
- Baby Sheepskin – All natural sheepskins from boron designed to sooth and comfort babies
- Bug Stopper spray – An organic bug spray available in two formulas for infants and children

- Java Snorkelling set – a 3 piece set for kids who want to explore below the waterline
- Peapod Plus travel bed – Sun / Bug proof travel bed for children

Missing any items on the list? Be sure to check out the "camping" category over at MountainBaby.com!

ToDo List:

