

Packing List – Death Valley 2010

Please be aware that Death Valley weather can range anywhere from the low 30s at night to the high 60s (or warmer) during the day. This list is a guide of what to bring, if you feel like you need to diverge significantly from this list touch base with Jamie or Mary. Our goal is to have what we need, but there is no reason to bring too much. As with all outdoor adventures, we recommend that you pack clothes made of synthetic materials (capilene, polypro, nylon, etc), and refrain from packing cotton.

**** This is a packing list not a shopping list. PLEASE do not go out and buy new things just for use on this trip.** You can borrow from us, from the school, from each other, from someone else, so please let us know what it is you might need and we'll work on getting you set up

1. Photo ID – Crucial for T.S.A. at airport
2. 4 pairs of underwear
3. 1 pair of shorts
4. Swimsuit – If we get warm weather we will be able to go swimming
5. 1 pair of long pants
6. Long underwear top & bottom
7. 4 t-shirts
8. 1 long sleeve shirt for sun protection
9. 1 lightweight jacket
10. Rain jacket
11. Warm jacket – fleece, down, etc. (for cold nights and mornings)
12. 3 pairs of socks – hiking or regular
13. Hiking shoes – this can be a well broken in pair of running shoes or hiking boots you have used before
14. Comfy shoes – cros, slippers, comfortable sneakers (for around camp)
15. sun hat
16. warm hat
17. toiletries: you'll want to have toothbrush, toothpaste, sunblock, deodorant, soap, medications, chapstick (think travel size – NOT full size – at most we will shower once during the entire trip)
18. utensils, plate/bowl, and mug
19. 2 water bottles (32oz/1 liter minimum each) (Smaller water bottles are not enough)
If you are planning to bring a camelback style backpack you need a to be able to carry a minimum of 2 liters of water. In the past students have used a smaller camelback plus 1 water bottle.
20. Sleeping bag rated to at least 35 degrees
21. Thermarest/Ridgerest/Ground pad
22. Headlamp or flashlight with 1 set of extra batteries
23. Daypack – large enough to carry a light jacket, snacks, and water for our day hikes (can also double as your airplane carry-on)
24. small, quick dry towel
25. Sunglasses (optional)
26. Camera (optional)
27. Book, cards, fun games to share (optional)

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