



## PACKING LIST

Pre-trip anticipation is one of the biggest benefits of taking a vacation. Choosing what to pack for any type of getaway can be challenging, but packing ski or snowboard trip is especially difficult because you're going to be outside in winter's element, and often at very high elevations, where the weather can change quickly. To make sure you arrive at your destination with everything you need, Ski.com has compiled a checklist you can use during your packing process.

### **Ski/snowboard apparel and gear:**

- Base layers (non-cotton long underwear with wicking ability)
  - ***Ski.com Tip:*** *Depending on how long your vacation is and whether or not you have an in-unit washer/dryer, you might want to pack a couple of each*
- Mid layers (lightweight natural or synthetic down jacket or vest or microfleece or vest)
- Waterproof outerwear – preferably designed for skiing or snowboarding
- Waterproof gloves/mittens (bring liners if your hands tend to get cold easily)
- Helmet (highly recommended)
  - ***Ski.com Tip:*** *You can rent helmets, too, along with the rest of your ski or snowboard equipment.*
- Hat
- Neck gater, scarf, balaclava, bandana or BUFF® (to cover your face and neck in cold, windy temperatures)
- Ski/snowboard socks (non-cotton with wicking ability are best – one pair for every two days on the mountain)
- Goggles with UV protection
- Sunglasses with UV protection and Croakies®
- Snacks such as energy bars or something high in protein
- Sunscreen with at least SPF 15
- Lip balm with at least SPF 15
- Skis, snowboard, boots, polls (unless you are renting)
  - ***Ski.com Tip:*** *Using our partner [Ship Skis](#), you can easily arrange for your equipment and luggage to be shipped to and from your vacation destination.*

### **Après-ski wear:**

- Jeans

- Comfortable, waterproof boots or shoes with good tread—especially if it’s snowing in the town or base village or if you want to enjoy outdoor winter activities like snowshoeing, snow tubing or dog sledding
- Warm socks—especially for traipsing around in the snow
- Sweater, fleece or other warm top
- Jacket—if your ski/snowboard jacket is warm, you’ll be fine

**Miscellaneous:**

- Lift tickets and/or ski school vouchers if you already have them
- Bathing suit—nothing compares to a soak in a hot tub after a day on the slopes
- Athletic sneakers—if you want to take advantage of your hotel or condo’s gym
- Sleepwear
- Undergarments
- Book or magazines
- Board games or cards
- Portable music player and charger or batteries (if you listen to music on the slopes, we encourage you to be safe and keep your volume at a minimum)
- Soap and shampoo—most hotels and condos will provide this
- Toothbrush and toothpaste—many hotels and condos will provide toothpaste
- Shaving cream and razor
- Aloe—in case you get sunburnt
- Camera—if you don’t have a smartphone
- Credit cards and cash with small bills for tipping while en route
- Driver’s license and/or passport
- Travel itinerary with important phone numbers included
- Cell phone and charger
- Aspirin or Ibuprofen – for altitude headaches and sore muscles
- Laundry bag
- Medical insurance cards
- Noise-canceling headphones