Camping Checklist

SHELTER AND SLEEPING GEAR

Tent	
Ground tarp or footprint	
Sleeping bags	
Sleeping pads or air mattresses	
Pillows	
Sunshade/canopy	

NAVIGATION AND SAFETY

Map and compass or GPS Headlamp or flashlight with extra batteries Multi-tool or camping knife Whistle and signaling devices Emergency shelter (space blanket)

CAMPSITE SETUP

Camp chairs or portable seating	
Camping table	
Rope and clothesline	
Trash bags and/or disposal plan	
Lighting	

RECREATION AND ENTERTAINMENT

Books or magazines	
Playing cards or board games	
Binoculars or other outdoor gear	
Camera or smartphone for photos	
Portable phone charger and/or solar charger	
Campsite decorations (string lights, table cloths	
for picnic tables, etc.)	

MISCELLANEOUS

Cash and ID Permits and reservations Campsite and trail maps Notepad and pen

CLOTHING AND PERSONAL TMS

Weather-appropriate clothing
Rain gear
Extra socks and underwear
Hat and gloves
Sunglasses and sunscreen
Insect repellent
Toiletries (toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, etc.)
First-aid kit
Toilet paper, paper towels, and wet wipes
Extra shoes beyond hiking/outdoor shoes.

COOKING AND FOOD SUPPLIES

Portable stove and fuel
Cookware (pots, pans, utensils)
Lighter or waterproof matches
Food and snacks
Cooler and ice packs
Water containers and water purification
methods
Can opener, bottle opener, corkscrew
Dish soap and sponge to clean dishes

Hiking Essentials

ESSENSIALS

Appropriate Footwear: Comfortable and sturdy hiking boots or shoes.	
Navigation Tools: A map, compass, or GPS device.	
Weather-Appropriate Clothing: Layers for varying weather conditions, including a moisture- wicking base layer, insulating mid-layer, and a waterproof outer layer.	
Backpack: To carry your essentials.	
Water: Sufficient water to stay hydrated.	
Food: Snacks or a packed meal for energy.	
First Aid Kit: Bandages, pain relievers, blister treatments, and essential medical supplies.	
Sun Protection: Sunscreen, sunglasses, and a hat.	
Multi-tool or Knife: For various purposes.	
Fire-Making Tools: Matches, a lighter, or a firestarter.	
Headlamp/Flashlight: With extra batteries.	
Emergency Whistle: To signal for help.	
Shelter: A lightweight emergency blanket or tarp.	
Communication: A fully charged cell phone or a two-way radio.	
Insect Repellent: If hiking in bug-prone areas.	
Personal Identification: ID and emergency contact information.	
Trash Bag: To pack out trash and minimize impact.	
Hiking Poles: Optional for added stability.	
Camera or Binoculars: For capturing memories or wildlife watching.	
Permits/Passes: If required for the trail or park.	