

Alaska Endeavour Wilderness Mariner



Gear, Laundry, and Showers

Personal Gear Checklist

Storage space on board is limited and hard-sided suitcases are impractical; please, **no suitcases**.

You need to pack everything in one soft-sided pack or duffle bag (plus a day pack). The largest duffle most airlines will accept as carry-on luggage is 22" x 14" x 9" which is about 35 liters in volume. If you want to bring a larger duffle that's fine by the captain, but you may have to check a larger bag with the airline.

Required

- 2 pairs of long pants of a quick-dry material. No cotton, including jeans.
- 3 long-sleeved shirts. Flannel is acceptable but wool or a quick-dry material is better.
- 1 undershirt of Merino wool or similar, for warmth and wicking.
- 6 pairs of underwear and socks. No cotton socks. Wool or a wool blend is good.
- 1 pair of tennis/running/boat shoes. These are for wearing on the boat only (you will be pulling off your boots as soon as you board).
- 1 pair of 15" high rubber boots. Xtratuf or Grunden's are both excellent, but you can find good and less expensive alternatives online. Always pull-on, no laces. **Don't bring shorter than 15" or your feet will be wet all day.** Mark your boots, since so many look the same.
- Rain jacket with a hood (or a broad brimmed hat) and rain pants (Gore-Tex or similar waterproof material). Ski jackets and ski pants are not sufficiently waterproof and being insulated and thick **they get soggy and don't dry quickly enough.** As with your boots, mark your rain gear for easy identification.
- Fleece vest, wool sweater, or similar. Avoid down, since once wet it's useless.
- Pajamas, if that's what you sleep in or want to lounge in.
- Sunglasses (polarized recommended for seeing below the water's surface).
- Plastic or stainless-steel water bottle (on board you can mark it with your bunk number).
- A day pack, waterproof or with a rain cover (915 cubic inches is about right).

- Toiletries (we provide soap and shampoo, but you are welcome to bring your own) and any medications you require.
- Dramamine or similar, if you are prone to sea sickness.
- Passport, Enhanced Driver's License (EDL), or similar for border crossings.

We run one load of laundry in the middle of the expedition.

Optional

- Phone/tablet/laptop with chargers and cords.
- Gloves and a watch cap.
- Headlamp or LED flashlight.
- A personal journal.
- Noise-canceling headphones or earplugs (people snore).
- Alaska and/or Canada fishing license.

Electronic games are specifically discouraged.

Provided by Alaska Endeavour

We will have for you:

- ✓ Bedding, pillow.
- ✓ Towels, soap, and shampoo.
- ✓ Sunscreen.
- ✓ Fishing gear.

Laundry

We will offer laundry service once in the middle of the expedition. Laundry uses up a lot of our fresh water, so please limit your wash to the dirtiest.

Showers

Expedition members can shower every third day. Showers need to be short, but the water is hot.