

WINTER PACKING LIST

The Magic of Winter in Montana

While the temperatures can be cold, that doesn't mean you can't enjoy the great outdoors. Dressing in layers and wearing waterproof clothing is key to staying comfortable during the winter months. Unless conditions become unsafe (such as lightning storms), all scheduled activities will continue—rain or shine, hot or cold. Guests participating in outdoor excursions should come prepared for varying weather conditions. Before departing for Paws Up, check with Concierge Services for the latest weather updates, and follow these recommendations to ensure a comfortable and enjoyable experience.



Ski Goggles

Essential for activities like tubing, sledding, dog sledding, and snowmobiling.

Snow Boots

You'll be wearing these for almost everything! Insulated boots are recommended. Keep in mind that UGGs and similar styles, while cozy, lack traction, aren't waterproof, and aren't practical for walking around the resort.

Recommendations: Sorel, The North Face

Gloves or Mittens

Fleece gloves are warm when dry but unsuitable for snow play. Choose gloves or mittens with a waterproof outer layer. If you prefer something thinner for horseback riding, glove liners provide warmth without bulk.

Recommendations: Patagonia, Hestra, Burton Glove Liners

Snow Pants and Jackets

Snow pants and jackets are essential for all activities, including horseback riding.

Recommendations: North Face, Patagonia

Head, Face, and Neck Protection

Keep your head and ears warm with a hat, headband, or balaclava. Scarves or gaiters provide extra insulation against the cold.

Wool Layers and Socks

A wool base layer will help keep you warm throughout your stay.

Recommendations: SmartWool products

Fabrics

Cotton is not recommended. It retains moisture and loses warmth when damp, making it impractical for outdoor activities.

Recommendations: Capilene (Patagonia), VaporWick (North Face)

Available from the Wilderness Outpost

Non-insulated slickers and rain gear, helmets for horseback riding and ATV adventures, hand and toe warmers, plus YakTrax.

SPRING PACKING LIST

Montana in Bloom Beneath the Big Sky

Spring in Montana is unpredictable, with chilly mornings in the 30s and daytime temperatures slowly rising to the 40s–60s. Rain showers are common, with dry stretches and the occasional dusting of snow. Dressing in layers—light synthetics, fleece, and waterproof shells—is essential. Outdoor activities will continue in all conditions unless unsafe (such as lightning storms), check with Concierge Services for the latest weather updates before your arrival.

Jeans and Quick-Dry Pants

Jeans or quick-dry pants are recommended for horseback riding and ATV adventures.

Recommendations: PrAna, Patagonia

Hats

Beanies are recommended for morning activities.

Cowboy hats with a stampede string are acceptable on horseback rides. *If you don't have a stampede string, you can purchase one at the Wilderness Outpost.*



Layering Jackets and Rain Jackets

Thin, non-insulated rain jackets are recommended. These can be stowed away when not needed. The Wilderness Outpost offers “slickers” and kids’ rain gear that can be borrowed during activities. Mornings and evenings can be chilly, so we recommend layering with a lightweight wool second layer, such as a fleece, mid-weight shell, or down shirt.

Recommendations: Patagonia products

Shoes and Hiking Boots

Spring can be muddy, so waterproof hiking boots are recommended. Closed-toe shoes are required for all ATV, horseback riding, biking, and paintball activities.

Sunscreen

Paws Up provides sunscreen at the Wilderness Outpost, but guests with sensitive skin should bring their preferred brand.

Sunglasses

We recommend that all guests bring polarized sunglasses.

Swimsuit

All guests should bring swimsuits for the resort’s water activities, including whitewater rafting, kayaking, and canoeing.

Wool Layers and Gloves

A wool base layer will help keep you warm throughout your stay.

Recommendations: SmartWool products, Burton glove liners

Fabrics

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SUMMER PACKING LIST

Sunlit Days and Star-Filled Nights, Montana Style

Summer in Montana is beautiful, with warm weather and a dry climate—perfect for outdoor adventures. Scheduled activities run rain or shine, except in unsafe conditions like lightning storms. Guests should be prepared for all weather extremes. For the latest forecast, check with Concierge Services before arriving at the resort. Use the following suggestions to ensure a comfortable and enjoyable Paws Up experience.

Closed-Toed Shoes

Tennis shoes or closed-toed shoes are required for all ATV, horseback riding, biking, and paintball activities.

Closed-toed shoes are recommended for hiking.

Jeans and Quick-Dry Pants

All guests should wear jeans or quick-dry pants for horseback riding and ATV adventures.

Recommendations: PrAna, Patagonia



Rain Jackets

Thin, non-insulated rain jackets are recommended. These can be stowed away when not needed. The Wilderness Outpost offers a selection of “slickers” and kids’ rain gear that can be borrowed during activities.

Recommendations: Patagonia products

Shorts

Best for hiking and water activities. Cotton and denim shorts are not recommended as they can be restrictive and uncomfortable when wet.

Sunscreen

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Sunglasses

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Swimsuit

All guests should bring swimsuits for the resort’s water activities, including whitewater rafting, kayaking, and canoeing.

Kids attending Kids Adventure Club will need swimsuits every afternoon for lake and river adventures.

Water Shoes

Water shoes are recommended for all water-based activities.

Recommendations: Chaco, Keen

Fabrics

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Recommendations: Capilene (Patagonia), VaporWick (North Face)

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Non-insulated slickers and rain gear, helmets for horseback riding and ATV adventures, hand and toe warmers, plus sunscreen.

FALL PACKING LIST

Crisp Air, Open Fires, and Endless Montana Views

Fall temperatures range from the 30s in the morning to the 60s or 70s by afternoon, with mostly dry conditions but occasional rain or light snow. Layering is key—start with a synthetic base, add fleece for warmth, and top with a waterproof shell. Activities run in all weather except lightning, check with Concierge Services for updates and come prepared.

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Recommendations: PrAna, Patagonia

Hats

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