This list should be used as a guide in helping you prepare for your trip. Never travel in the backcountry unprepared. None of this equipment is helpful unless it fits, it works, and you know how to use it!

**GENERAL EQUIPMENT**

- Skis, snowshoes, or split snowboard (designed for backcountry)
- Boots
- Poles (large baskets preferred)
- Backpack
- Climbing skins
- Wax kit (including grip and skin waxes)
- Sleeping bag
- Pillowcase
- Headlamp and extra batteries
- Pocket knife
- Sunglasses
- Goggles
- Water bottles (widemouth) and insulated carrier (optional: thermos for hot drinks)
- Sunscreen and lip balm
- Food (be sure some food is edible without cooking, and that each person carries their own trail food)
- Avalanche transceiver, probe pole and shovel
- Cell phone and extra batteries/case (coverage is not guaranteed anywhere in the backcountry – keep your phone off until you need it)

**PERSONAL CLOTHING (wool or synthetics - no cotton)**

**Foundation/Base Layer**
- Long underwear top and bottom
- Socks plus extra pair(s) (optional: foot warmers)

**Warm/Insulating Layer**
- Fleece Jacket/Vest
- Sweater
- Pants
- Down/synthetic puff jacket

**Weather/Waterproof Outer Layer**
- Jacket
- Pants

**Other**
- Gloves/mittens plus extra pair (optional: hand warmers)
- Ski hat(s)
- Sunhat
- Neck gaiter/balaclava
- Leg gaiters

**GROUP EQUIPMENT**

- Hut slippers (slippers/Crocs are provided at Fritz, Fabi, Friends’, and all Braun Huts)
- Personal items (toothbrush/paste, medications, prescription glasses, earplugs, watch w/ alarm)
- Personal wash cloth/travel towel (towels are no longer provided at Jay’s, Chuck’s or Walter’s)
- Disinfectant wipes

**Suggested Group Emergency/Survival Equipment**

- Emergency shelter (bivouac sack, lt weight tarp)
- First-aid kit
- Blister kit
- Fire starting kit (matches, lighter, starting fuel) OR lightweight emergency stove
- Small emergency pot
- Ensolite or foam pad
- Emergency communication device (such as SPOT, inReach, satellite phone or PLB – Personal Locator Beacon)

**Suggested Group Repair Kit**

- Duct tape
- Zip/cable ties
- Baling wire
- Rubberized ski straps
- Multi-tool (Leatherman)
- Spare binding and parts
- Pole repair (or extra pole)