THE OUTDOOR EDUCATION GROUP

Hiking /Bike Journey Checklist (4 day)

HANDY HINTS:

- All equipment and clothing should be compact and lightweight
- Choose clothing materials which are quick drying (synthetic materials). Cotton doesn't retain body heat if wet and takes a long time to dry.
- The layer principal for clothing is important, dress in a number of thin layers rather than a couple of bulky layers.
- Space is limited, you carry everything on your back. Only bring the essentials we have listed. * NO AEROSOLS NO NUTS*

Clothing

Quantity	Item		Check
1	Sturdy Hiking Boots	Sturdy Hiking Boots, Walking Shoes or Runners (Should have good grip and be worn in) If you don't have your Trek Boots yet, there is still time. If you do, only bring them if they are worn in.	
1	Comfortable shoes for around camp	Must be closed toe, no thongs or slippers	
1 per day	Socks	Thick "Explorer" type socks are highly recommended	
1 per day	Underwear		
2	Thermals	Wool or Synthetic, not cotton. 1 set = 1 long sleeve top and 1 long pants.	
1	Long pants	Synthetic are best, zip off cargo pants are useful. No jeans, as they won't dry if wet	
1	Lightweight Shorts	No short shorts as they don't protect your legs when walking through the bush	
2	Long Sleeved Shirts with collar	Synthetic and lightweight	
1	Short Sleeved Top with collar	Sports shirts are great	
2	Fleece or Wool jumper/jacket	Go for warmth not fashion. No cotton	
1	Sun Hat	Broad brim for sun protection	
1	PJ's	Best to be shorts & shirt you have already packed to minimise clothes	

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Equipment

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1	Sleeping Bag	Synthetic or Down filling. Comfort rating to ZERO degrees or below. Make sure you practice stuffing the sleeping bag into its case	
1	Sleeping Bag Liner	Can add warmth and keeps the inside of your sleeping bag cleaner	
1	Pillowcase	To stuff clothing into for a pillow	
3	Orange "Multix" Brand Garbage Bags	For waterproofing	
3	Green or black garbage bags	For garbage/dirty clothes	
1	Strong fork & spoon ONLY		
1	Strong plastic bowl and mug	You will be cooking dinner outside in small groups	
2	Tea towel	For drying your eating equipment	
1	Cleaning sponge	e.g) Soapy Jex pads	
2	"Scotchbrite" Green Scourers	For cleaning your cooking equipment	
1	Chux cloth		
3	Large Snaplock Bags	To put lunch in	
1	Head torch and spare batteries	LED head torch are brighter and lightweight. Red light is best for nighttime	
1	Sunglasses (old)	With neck strap	
1	Whistle (on cord)	Orange Emergency whistle work well	
1	Matches in waterproof container	Extra-long size	
1	Trail Mix (no nuts)	e.g. Dried fruit, smarties, seeds, pretzels. Portioned into individual days is useful	
3	Water bottles	minimum 1 litre capacity each bottle	
1	Lunch for Day 1 – No nuts	Lunch will be had in the bush- limit packaging as you will carry all garbage with you	

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Personal Items

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1	Roll of toilet paper	Double bagged in two snaplock bags	
1	Toothbrush & paste, soap, deodorant (no aerosols)	Non-electric toothbrush	
1	Personal 1st aid supplies	e.g. bandaids (for cuts or blisters), roller bandage/ strapping tape if you require it	
1	Insect Repellent	Repellent (20% DEET is good) no aerosols- roll on or cream	
1	Small towel or chamois		
1	Sunscreen, zinc, lip balm	SPF 30+ and above	
1	Labelled personal medications	To be given to teachers with a note from parents about administration	
1	Feminine hygiene – pads & tampons and handwipes	Be prepared just in case. Waterproof items in a snaplock bag. Small paper bags work well for disposal.	

Optional:	OEG will provide the following:	
 Warm Gloves Beanie Down Jacket or Vest Camera (in two plastic bags) Diary/journal for writing (including a pen) Book to read 	 Tents and Tarp and sleeping mat Waterproof pants and jacket Gaiters (lower leg protection for hiking) Lightweight stoves and Fuel Maps and Compasses All specialist safety equipment Group first aid kit Backpacks Food 	