

## TIME TO PACK!

Fort Seward, Inc. A Handy Packing Check List During the wagon train, we are trying to relive over 100 years ago, so please choose items accordingly. Keep baggage light and pack in a sturdy duffle bag lined with a plastic garbage bag. During the day your baggage will be in a trailer, if your clothing are not inside the garbage bag, they may get wet. Mark or "brand" your duffle bags, so you can find them easily. In a pile of duffle bags, they can look like everyone else's! Do not use suitcases! This list is just an aid to help you pack what you may or may not want to have along and may not include all the items you would need to have along.

### CLOTHING

- 1-2 warm jacket, one with hood
- 2-3 pair jeans
- 5-7 blouses or shirts
- Clean underclothing for 7 days
- Socks for 7 days
- 2 pairs of boots or shoes well broke in, in case one pair gets wet
- light pair of rubber boots or overshoes (morning dew!)
- Sleep wear - bring something to sleep in on cooler nights
- Robe, or extra blanket
- Pair of gloves (leather ones work great)
- Apron (ladies optional)
- 1-2 long pioneer-like dresses or long wrap around skirts with blouses (ladies)
- Suspenders (men)
- Swimsuit

### CAMPING

- Tent, check with water hose for waterproof EVEN IF NEW--IMPORTANT!
- Small hammer
- Extra tent stakes and poles
- Warm sleeping bag
- Pillow
- Extra blanket
- Foam pad or air mattress
- Flashlight
- Extra batteries
- Ground cloth or poly tarp - for underlayment to resist water from rain.
- Pail (such as an Ice-cream bucket) for wash basin
- hair brush and/or comb
- shaving items
- shampoo & conditioner
- hair conditioner
- hand soap
- Towel
- Wash clothes
- Personal hygiene items
- Metal cup
- Tooth brush & Toothpaste
- Small mirror
- Body lotion
- Any medication you are on or need for allergies
- Duct tape comes in handy for patching most anything, don't forget!

Our toilet facilities are provided by a portable "biffy", designed with a canvas top similar to the covered wagons. Toilet paper and hand sanitizer are provided.

## DAY TIME PACK

- Camera
- 2-qt. canteen
- Wet Wipes
- Chapstick
- Sunscreen
- Watch
- Rain coat with hood or hat protector
- Insect repellent
- Tweezer
- Snacks
- Hat (no baseball caps) ladies or men

## MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS / OTHER

Musical instruments should be packed in sturdy cases

Small items to barter with, many people bring several items to trade with other trail riders on "barter night".

## Horse Back Riders

- Saddle with clean cinch (inspect prior to leaving)
- Clean saddle blanket
- Halter
- Bridle (halter bridle works best)
- Quality Lead rope
- Brush or curry comb
- Salve for sores
- Fly spray
- Hoof pick
- Sponge
- Bucket
- Leather string or lace for repairs
- Clean rags
- Special feed if needed, hay will be supplied
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## TIPS FOR THE TRAIL

Divide your weight of bags between 2 or more so your duffle is not as heavy to carry.

You'll have to carry your gear to the baggage trailer each morning.

Avoid the bigger tents, they are heavy and are more likely than smaller tents to blow over in a thunder storm! Make sure there is a "fly" over the top of your tent. Many trail riders have found a polytarp over the top with parachute cord tied to the grommets and heavier tent stakes, could keep you dry. --V, Y, or T shaped tent stake rods or the heavy huge metal nail like tent stakes with plastic T-top, hold much better in wet ground than the thin wire rods that commonly come with tents. Consider purchasing a few of the heavier tent stakes to bring along, to hold your tent during a rain storm, especially to replace the same tent stakes with, that your rain fly attaches to.