



SEA TO SKY OUTDOOR SCHOOL

Keats and Gambier Islands, Howe Sound
British Columbia, Canada

PACKING LIST

This is an outdoor program that requires students to be dressed for the weather. Due to the high probability of rain and the need for the students to spend a large percentage of the day outside, please ensure that you come properly equipped so that this exciting learning experience is also a comfortable one. Activities will have you in forest, high bluff and shoreline environments so old clothes that can get dirty and will dry quickly are necessary. Both the Keats Island and Gambier Island campus of Sea to Sky Outdoor School provide cabin accommodation with bunk beds and sealed mattresses as bed units for sleeping. Students should bring all their personal belongings in a large backpack (inside backpack clothes should be sealed in plastic bags). The following list of personal items is designed to be used as a general guideline only. In the spirit of Sea to Sky avoid new purchases as much as possible by going with what you've got or borrowing what you need. **Put your name on everything you bring.**

VERY IMPORTANT ITEMS

- sleeping bag (plus *sleeping pad* for select programs)
- pillow case (to be stuffed with clothes for pillow)
- rubber boots (for muddy trails and/or beach)
- medium sized day pack (see 'Go Gear')
- large lunch for Day 1 **and travel snacks** (please don't bring any foods that produce garbage)
- large plastic drinking mug
- spoon or chop sticks, plastic bowl
- cloth napkin (for mealtimes)
- rain wear
- personal medications (in ziplock bag with student's full name) to be collected by Teacher on Day 1

TOILETRIES

- towel and washcloth
- soap and shampoo (only small amount needed)
- toothbrush and toothpaste
- hair brush/comb

DON'T FORGET

- willingness to try new things
- a spirit of adventure
- positive energy
- respect for yourself, others and the natural world
- name tag (if you're coming with an 'island name')

"Simplicity in all things is the secret of the outdoors and one of its most valuable lessons. It is what we leave behind that is important." Sigurd Olson

BASIC CLOTHING

- 2 long sleeved shirts
- 2 t-shirts
- 2 pants (**no jeans** or anything 100% cotton)
- 1 pair of shorts
- 3 underwear
- 5 pairs of socks
- sleep wear (turtleneck, sweatpants)
- 1 fleece jacket
- 2 pairs of outdoor shoes
- 1 swimsuit (polar dipping optional)
- 1 pair water shoes (old runners, sandals)

GO GEAR

- rain wear (both jacket and pants)
- 1 litre water bottle
- 'sun' hat (gloves & warm hat when needed)
- neck scarf or bandana
- flashlight (compact and lightweight)
- safety whistle
- 3 pens, 2 pencils (in 'ziplock' bag)
- sunscreen
- small camera (optional)
- insect repellent (optional)
- Day 1 Lunch (in re-useable 'tupperware')
- extra plastic bags/green garbage bag
- compass (if you have one)

'Go Gear' items are carried in a medium sized day pack while on the island. Place inside the top of your big pack for the trip over.

PLEASE DO NOT BRING! - knives, radios, gum or other junk food, electronic gadgets, books, magazines, music machines, jewelry, hair dryers, money, make-up, expensive items, cards, watch or any 'disposable' items. *It has been our experience that these get in the way of the island experience.*