



Alpine Rock Climbing Gear List

The gear on this list is required. If you have any questions about this list or the gear on it, please contact our office or your guide for advice. [Mountain Chalet](#) or [Mountain Equipment Recycler](#) here in Colorado Springs are great resources for knowledge and product selection. PPAS also rents most gear (not clothing) on this list.

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Climbing gear:

- Climbing helmet.
- Climbing harness.
- Climbing shoes, comfortable all day shoes for harder routes.
- Belay device. (ATC)
- Locking carabiners (2), pear shaped is best.
- 120cm nylon sling.
- Chalk bag
- Crack gloves or tape gloves (for some climbs)

Clothing and footwear:

- Pants, for rock climbing. We will be at higher elevations and the temps are typically cooler. Light softshell are best.
- Insulation layer (top), an extra layer for cool mornings or adverse weather.
- Rain jacket. Rain pants may be required for some climbs and forecasts.
- Approach shoes. For some early season alpine rock climbs crampon compatible boots may be required.

Headwear:

- Ball Cap or Visor, sun protection for the hike in and out.
- Sunglasses with wraparound sun and wind protection.
- Beanie stocking cap. Buff is acceptable in place of beanie.
- Buff (neck gaiter, optional). I recommend buffs for their versatility year-round.
- Headlamp for early morning approaches or emergency.

Handwear:

- Light pair of gloves. Leather belay gloves are nice.

Other gear:

- 20-30L Backpack, make sure your gear fits in pack prior to climb. We may climb the route with this pack so make sure it's petit and fits well.
- 10-15L Route Pack (if not climbing with 30L pack above). Small route pack for rain-jacket, water and approach shoes. Confirm prior to climb.
- 2L Collapsible bladders (ex. HydraPak). (2) 1L Nalgene bottles ok.
- Sunscreen, 30SPF minimum
- Lipscreen
- Camera
- Snacks, about 1300 calories for the day. Sandwich, candy bars, and trail mix work well, bring what tastes good to you.
- Spare door and ignition key, for groups carpooling.