

Joshua Tree NP Exploring Trip

Basic suggested items to bring:

California road map, JT map, GPS
binoculars
firewood – coordinate with driver/carpool situation
charcoal, lighter – if needed
camp stove and propane
First aid kit
toilet paper, wipes
flashlights & extra batteries (each person must have own personal flashlight)
LED headlights
lantern
tent & tarp
heavy duty plastic tent stakes (the metal ones will not hold in high winds)
mummy or sleeping bag rated 30-40 degrees (go lower than you think you'll need)
pillow, sleeping pad (thermarest is best), or air mattress & pump
camp chair, small fold-up table
camera, batteries, charger
Camelpak or other water hydration system used for hiking/walking – be hands free
frisbee, cards, or games
books or magazines to read
cell phone charger

Clothes & Personal Items: (Think layers when packing)

sunglasses, sunscreen, & hats for hot sunny days
medications
sweatshirt, wind breaker or light jacket
beanie hat, gloves, warmer jacket for COLD weather
jeans, long johns, shorts, hiking socks...etc
Hiking boots a must!

Food, drinks, & kitchen items:

beverages – hot and cold
food - dinners, lunches, breakfast and snacks for hike
kitchen utensils, pans and etc.
hand wipes
Plenty water for drinking, cooking & washing
ICE – frozen plastic bottles best, block ice is ok
plates, flatware, napkins, paper towels, plastic cups or insulated containers for drinks
zip lock bags and/or tupperware for leftovers
cutting board
aluminum foil
tablecloth

*** Pack gear/food in plastic storage containers due to critters and weather.