

Frontier Trek Gear List

A Frontier Trek is when you back pack all your gear in on your back. You usually will hike into the area on foot. Your gear should be as authentic as possible. Pre 1840 era. This includes your food, bed roll and primitive shelter. Following are some guidelines for your equipment, but your own research on your persona will be the best guide.

CLOTHING

1. Leggings and breech cloth
2. Leather pants - the less fringe the better
3. Drop front cloth pants
4. Knee breeches
5. Calico or linen shirts
6. Hunting frock
7. Moccasins: center seam, puffy seam, etc.
8. Hat: felt, wide brim; voyagers; silk or linen scarf; fur hat or tricorn.
9. Sash to go around waist, tie knot in back, garters if wear leggings.

ACCESSORIES FOR YOUR SHOOTING POUCH

1. Powder horn
2. Loading block
3. Compass
4. Priming horn
5. Bullet bag
6. Tow for cleaning rifle or patches
7. Cow's knee (lock cover if it rains)
8. Screwdriver
9. Bullet mold
10. Ladle
11. Mainspring vise
12. Bag of flints
13. Ball puller
14. Folding knife
15. Vent pick and brush

PACK METHOD

1. French Knapsack
 2. Improved Knapsack
 3. Basket Pack
 4. Canvas Backpack
 5. Snap Sack
- Research on this will help guide your decision.

KNAPSACK OR BACK PACK ITEMS

1. Tin pot with cornmeal, brown sugar, salt and pepper, could be a corn boiler.
2. Leather pouch holding a sewing kit, which includes: scissors, linen thread, sinew, beeswax, assorted needles in antler tip or wooden tube, pieces of leather and linen for repairs
3. Soap (castile soap) and boar bristle toothbrush in linen pouch.
4. Folding skillet with cloth sack containing slab bacon.

5. Chunk of chocolate and muscavado sugar.
6. Dried corn in linen pouch
7. Cloth sack of dried meat (jerk)
8. Fish kit containing fishing hooks, split sinkers, fishing line, linen or sinew
9. Tow for cleaning rifle, starting fires in a pinch, scrubbing a frying pan
10. Fire starting kit: flint and steel, a bird's nest, dried cottonwood bark, charred cloth, short beeswax candles, candle wick that has been dipped in beeswax
11. Tin of lard, grease, beeswax for greasing moccasins
12. Two flat creek stones for sharpening knives and axe
13. Antler whistle on leather thong
14. New Testament
15. Coil or extra thongs for trapping or moccasins

SHELTER AND BED ROLL

1. One or two blankets
2. Ground cloth
3. Diamond tent shelter
4. Canvas sleeping bag
5. Water container (Wooden, copper or steel canteen)
6. Rifle
7. Belt axe (tomahawks are OK, but don't work as well)

FOOD ITEMS

1. Slab bacon
2. Jerky
3. Dried corn
4. Chocolate
5. Cornmeal
6. Beans
7. Dried berries
8. Nuts
9. Wild rice
10. Block tea, etc.
11. Whatever you catch or shoot

