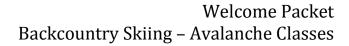


A note about gear lists: Remember, nothing can ruin a day in the outdoors faster than having the wrong clothes for the weather at hand. All our programs, especially backcountry skiing, are subject to rapid and severe changes in the weather. Select garments that are warm, lightweight and durable. Generally speaking, the best arrangement is to think in terms of layers – a system that dries quickly, allow flexibility and resists wind, water and abrasion. All of us have different tolerances for heat or cold; for example, you might choose warmer gloves than specified here if you tend to get cold hands. If you have doubts about a specific garment's appropriateness confer with your guide in advance about conditions you are most likely to experience. In many circumstances we have recommended specific products or brand names. There are many comparable products out there: these are only personal favorites. We are more than happy to advise you on equipment if you have questions.

	Item	Description	Example
H	□Pen, Pencil,	We will provide you with an	
000	Notebook	AIARE course manual and water-	
Classroom		resistant field notebook	
	□Coffee / Tea Mug		
	□Comfortable	We will spend part of day 1&2 in	
	Clothing	the classroom and part in the field	
	□Food and Water	-	

For All Trips / Courses that involve backcountry skiing:

	Item	Description	Example
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	□Hat (warm)	Wool or Synthetic Ski Hat	<u>Patagonia Beanie Hat</u>
	□Hat (sun)	Baseball Hat	
	□Gloves (light)	For skinning and warmer weather	Black Diamond Arc
			<u>Glove</u>
	□Gloves (warm)	For skiing and colder weather	Black Diamond Spark
Bull			<u>Glove</u>
Clothing	□Socks (ski)	Wool or synthetic; boot-top height	<u>Patagonia ultra</u>
			<u>lightweight snow socks</u>
	□Jacket (softshell)	Breathable and water resistant	<u>Patagonia</u>
			Reconnaissance Jacket
	□Jacket (insulation)	Synthetic or down insulation	Patagonia Nano-Air
		-	<u>Hoody</u>
	□Long Underwear	Lightweight or silkweight	Patagonia Capilene or
	Top (lightweight)	synthetic or wool	<u>Merino</u>
	□Fleece top	Midweight synthetic or wool	Patagonia R1 Hoody
	(midweight)		-





□Pants (softshell)	Breathable and water resistant	<u>Patagonia Kniferidge</u> Pants
□Long Underwear	Lightweight or silkweight	<u>Patagonia Capilene or</u>
Bottoms (light)	synthetic or wool	<u>Merino</u>

For All Trips / Courses that involve snowmobile transportation AND for any trip with forecast precipitation. Extra clothing can be left at the snowmobile during the ski tour.

Snowmobile / Heavy Precip.	Item	Description	Example
	□Jacket (waterproof hardshell)	Worn over your layers for added warmth during the snowmobile ride	Patagonia Triolet or M10 Jackets
	□Pants (waterproof hardshell)	Worn over your softshell pants for added warmth during the snowmobile ride	<u>Patagonia Untracked</u> <u>Pants</u>
	□Pants (insulated)	Optional Nice to have for the snowmobile ride	
	□Extra Layer	Optional With colder temps to insure that you are warm during the snowmobile ride	

Ski / Ride Equipment	Item	Description	Example
	□Skis / Split Board	Skis – Alpine touring or telemark. Generally >105mm waist width for midwinter conditions and 80- 95mm waist width for spring conditions. Rockered construction is highly recommended. Splitboard – snowshoes generally do not provide adequate flotation.	Skis – Midwinter: DPS Wailer 112. Spring: DPS Cassier 95 Tour 1. Boards – Any modern splitboard and bindings will work.
	□Boots	Appropriate boots for your set up. Ski boots should have a walk / ski mechanism	Dynafit TLT 6 / Dynafit Khion
	□Poles	Skiers – Adjustable 2-piece poles Riders – Collapsible 3-piece poles	Skiers – <u>Black</u> <u>Diamond Traverse</u> <u>Poles</u> Riders – <u>Black</u> <u>Diamond Compactor</u> <u>Ski Poles</u>
	□Climbing Skins	Properly trimmed to fit your skis.	Black Diamond Mohair



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			Mix Skins
	□Ski Strap	Rubber ski strap.	<u>Voile ski straps</u>
	□Shovel	Aluminum, NO plastic	Backcountry Access B-
			<u>2 EXT</u>
	□Transceiver	Less than 5 years old, digital 3	Backcountry Access
		antenna	<u>Tracker 3</u>
	□Probe	240cm or longer	Backcountry Access
			<u>Stealth series probes</u>
	□Ski Pack	~30-35 liter capacity with a	Backcountry Access
		separate storage area for	Float 32 (airbag pack).
		avalanche rescue tools	Patagonia Snowdrifter
			(non-airbag)

	Item	Description	Example
	□Headlamp	Lightweight LED model	Black Diamond Storm
	□Water Bottles	At least 2 liters of fluid in	
	and/or thermos	watertight containers. Hydration	
		bladder hoses will likely freeze if	
		not well insulated.	
	□Sunglasses	UVA & UVB protection	
ns	□Goggles	Light colored lenses designed for	
60		flat light	
Miscellaneous	□Sun Protection	Sunscreen and SPF lip balm	
ell	□Blister Kit	A small amount of moleskin and	
isc		tape	
\geq	□Repair Kit	Light and specific to your	
		bindings. Please note that your	
		guide will be carrying a complete	
		repair kit	
	□Food	Foods that are calorically dense	
		and adequate quantities for a long	
		day	
	□Helmet	<i>Optional</i> Make sure you have a	
		good system for attaching to your	
		pack	