



Cozy Tent Camping Checklist



Ensure a restful night's sleep with this essential checklist for cozy tent camping, tailored for PNW adventures. This list covers gear, clothing, and tips to stay comfortable in the Pacific Northwest's unpredictable weather.

Tent & Campsite Setup

- ☐ Tent (6-8 person for families, 2-4 person for solo; check ventilation with mesh panels or vents)
- ☐ Tent footprint or ground cloth (protects from moisture and sharp objects)
- ☐ Foam pad or extra layers (for hard ground under tent)

Sleep Gear

- ☐ Sleeping pad or air mattress (choose R-value for PNW temperatures; e.g., REI Camp Dreamer)
- ☐ Camping cot (optional for elevated comfort; add mattress pad for insulation)
- ☐ Sleeping bag (lower temp rating for cold PNW nights; e.g., Coleman Big Game or ALPS OutdoorZ Redwood)
- ☐ Sleeping bag liner (moisture-wicking for warm nights, insulating for cold)
- ☐ Inflatable pillow or stuff sack with clothes (for head and neck support)

Clothing & Warmth

- ☐ Moisture-wicking base layer (synthetic or merino wool, avoid cotton)
- ☐ Fleece or wool mid-layer (for warmth on chilly PNW evenings)
- ☐ Insulated jacket (for extra cold nights)
- ☐ Wool hat or beanie (prevents heat loss from head)
- ☐ Fuzzy warm socks (keeps feet cozy and dry)
- ☐ Extra wool blankets (for unexpected cold snaps)

Sleep Accessories

- ☐ Earplugs (block out campsite or wildlife noise)
- ☐ Eye mask (shields from early PNW morning light)

Temperature Control

- ☐ Portable propane heater (e.g., Mr. Heater Big Buddy; use in well-ventilated tents)
- ☐ Hot water bottle (low-tech warmth for sleeping bag)
- ☐ Battery-operated fan (for hot summer nights)
- ☐ Portable air conditioner (e.g., Zero Breeze; optional for extreme heat)

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- ☐ Water bottle or hydration pack (stay hydrated to avoid headaches)
- ☐ Healthy snacks (fruits, veggies, lean proteins; e.g., PNW-sourced salmon jerky)

Campsite Prep

- ☐ Check for flat, smooth ground (clear sticks, rocks, pine cones)
- ☐ Level campsite (avoid slopes or dips for better sleep)

Tips for Use

- Test gear at home to ensure comfort (e.g., inflate air mattress, try sleeping bag).
- Pack for PNW weather: expect rain or cold, even in summer.
- Place gear in accessible spots for quick nighttime adjustments.
- Download this checklist at 10toestravel.com for your next PNW camping trip!