

What to Bring for Your White-tail Deer Hunt

- ❑ 1 pair of easy-on/off camp slippers (with rubber bottoms). We have a boots-off policy in all our buildings & these slippers will make your building-to-building travel easy
- ❑ Feet: 1st layer: Synthetic sock, 2nd layer: good wool sock, followed by a boot rated at least -85°F. For very cold weather, boot blankets & foot warmers are a good idea. Our more experienced hunters wear cotton socks to the stand & once in the stand remove them & put on proper socks
- ❑ Hands: One pair of well insulated gloves &/or mittens, a warm hand muff that will accommodate chemical heat packs and allow you to keep both hands together for sitting in the stand. You might want a very light pair of gloves to use in the muff.
- ❑ Underwear: Synthetic in 2 layers. 1 medium/light poly uppers & lowers as well as a set of heavier poly. These layer well & if not too tight will really work. (No Cotton)
- ❑ Seat (optional): Some hunters bring an extra seat cushion to supplement the loft of our cushions
- ❑ Outer Layers: There are a lot of great cold-weather options out there. Good quality fleece pants, sweaters, bibs, vests, coats and any other article that would complement a layered system are recommended. We recommend the IWOM cold weather suits and Sitka Gear
- ❑ A pair of hunting jeans in the event of a heat wave
- ❑ 1 fresh set of travelling clothes for the trip home
- ❑ Head & Face: A complete head sock with a face mask & a warm knitted red or orange hat. Another good idea is a neck gaiter to help the cold from working its way in. Your head & face can lose a lot of heat so the 2 layers on your head will slow this down.
- ❑ Personal toiletries, scent free shampoo, toothbrush/paste, shaving kit, etc.
- ❑ compact light binoculars (optional)

- ❑ large day pack for all those clothes and equipment in the stand
- ❑ Goggles or Safety Glasses: Goggles and/or safety glasses to use during the ATV ride to & from your stand.
- ❑ The Stand bag: Note that we have stand bags for all our hunters for no additional charge. These things will keep you warm in very cold temperatures especially if you use chemical heat packs. While the bag is in your possession, it is your responsibility to take care of it. Anyone using the bag will be held responsible if the bag is lost or destroyed. Boot blankets are not necessary if you use a stand bag. By using stand bags you do not have to use a heater though we do have these available as well.
- ❑ Chemical Heat Packs: We strongly recommend disposable heat packs available at most sporting goods stores or Walmart. Some hunters use them in their hand muff, under their feet in the stand bag, over their kidneys & neck.

Required Hunting clothing/equipment

- ❑ Hat orange, white or red
- ❑ Vest orange, white or red
- ❑ A soft gun case for transporting your gun from camp to the hunting area. The suit, hat, and case are required by law.

Remember that moisture and restricted blood circulation resulting from clothes that are too tight are your enemies out there. Adopting a loose fitting and layered approach to your choice of clothing may mean the difference between success and failure. To hunt effectively you must be able to sit quietly for 6 to 9 hours. This can only be done if you dress for it. We do our best to keep you comfortable out there but if you come without sufficient clothing there is not a great deal that we can do. Temperatures range from -25F to +30F during the fall hunt. Remember that there is often some walking involved getting to our stands & the ability to layer down for the walk in is extremely important to keep you from sweating.