

Suggested Equipment List British Columbia Horseback Hunts

This is a horseback mountain hunt – and because we access a number of our camps via small aircraft, we do have weight limits set at 50 pounds per hunter plus rifle going into camp. You can leave as much gear as you want back at the lodge or base camp before going into backcountry. Pack light and use good gear!

- Backpack – for horseback hunts I like the Eberlestock X1 pack – it is big enough to carry a little gear for one day, has a hydration pack, and a gun boot so your hands are free when you are walking and hiking. Sheep hunters need to hydrate – make sure you have a water bladder in the pack and use it – drink 6-8 liters of water a day minimum with Mountain Ops Enduro mix.
- Makes sure your pack contains – knife, digital camera and extra batteries, flashlight w/ extra batteries, dry shirt, and candy bars or snacks to refuel on the mountain. I recommend both a headlamp and a flashlight.
- Rifle w/ quality ammo - .270 or larger rifle, sighted in and able to kill a sheep out to 300 yards, make sure you are shooting quality bullets (www.corbon.com)
- Boots – Sheep hunters need a boot fitted to their feet. We recommend Lathropandsons.com – they have a custom boot system for sheep hunters with an orthopedic footbed – we highly recommend all of our hunters contact Stephen Lathrop for more information.
- Gaiters – The Outdoor Research gaiters are the best in the world
- Trekking Poles for Sheep Hunters
- 10 pair of socks and underwear – change often when sweating!
- Camp clothes and slippers/shoes
- Binoculars 10x42 recommended – they are your best friend!!!
- Sleeping bag – comfort rated to 0 degrees recommended w/ sleeping pad and compact pillow
- Two pair of pants – We recommend KUIU guide series pants (1 pair) + 1 pair blue jeans for riding in good weather days
- One jacket w/ hood – water resistant (KUIU guide series)
- One mid layer vest (KUIU)
- One long lightweight rubberized rain jacket that goes below the butt for down pour days
- One set of KUIU rain gear jacket and pants
- Two pair of base layers – KUIU or ICE BREAKER marino wool recommended
- Stocking cap and baseball cap

Pack light – think light – and go in light but come out heavy!

Always dress in layers – shed layers before you start to climb and keep them dry in your pack – they put them back on when you get to the top.

The secret to a light pack is wear a full set of hunting clothes with your boots when you fly or ride into the back country – this takes a lot out of your pack and bags – and remember, this is a wilderness hunt – leave the comforts of home behind and go hard!

Clothing, right now we are recommending the Kuiu clothing line for top end performance and outer layers. Wash all of your hunting clothes in RESTORE (www.camowash.com) to make sure they are waterproof and odor free.

Communications – guides usually have a satellite phone for emergency communications – however this is not for our client's use. We recommend renting a satellite phone if you need to be in contact with home or work by voice OR buy a DeLorme inReach SE or EXPLORER to two way satellite text or email communication.