

Zodiac Kit List



By their very nature zodiac camps are short duration camps lasting no more than 16-18 hours. With that in mind not a lot of kit is likely to be needed.

It will be driven to some extent by the expected weather and activities. So if a gorge-walk or a canoeing session is taking place, then more equipment and clothing will be needed compared to a basic camp-skill session. If the weather is to remain dry then that will also affect the kit that will be required.

The core kit needed will be the following beyond the clothing being worn to camp:

- Sleeping Bag (3/4 season).
- Camping pillow or pillow case that can be filled with a fleece and/or spare clothing to make a pillow.
- Personal ground sheet and/or “thermo-rest” types sleeping mat.
- Change in clothing.
- Hiking boots/walking shoes should be worn to camp – these are needed for any knife, axe or saw work that takes place. (Trainers are not best option as a main shoe, but can be brought as a spare pair).
- Toothbrush/toothpaste/small soap or body wash.
- Small towel.
- Windproof jacket (with or without thermal layering depending on weather forecast).
- Hat (summer or winter type).
- Torch.
- Midgie repellent (depending on time of year).
- Sun block (depending on forecast).
- A mug/cup and a spoon

Hammock Camping

Same as above, but with

- Hammock – with mosquito net built in for “midgie months” (including ropes/straps to tie it up).
- 3m x 3m Tarpaulin (to include ridge line or around 6 metres and at least 4 corner ropes).
- Small mat to place boots/shoes/kit on under the tarpaulin.

Uniform for zodiac camps will be shirt and neckie with activity type trousers or shorts. Jeans are not appropriate. Hiking/walking footwear

Scouts can bring any fire lighting equipment (to include newspaper/tinder etc) as there should always be an opportunity to practice fire lighting. Not all camping sites will have a tuck shop so it may be appropriate for a small amount of tuck to be brought along to camp.