

2026 Alsek Expedition Master Checklist: Designed for the final "spread everything on the floor" pack. It covers every required item for your journey with **Haines Rafting Company**, organized by gear type.

☐ **CLOTHING: The Layering System**

Avoid all cotton. Stick to Merino wool or high-performance synthetics.

- ☐ **Base Layer Tops:** 4–5 long-sleeve lightweight shirts (wool or synthetic)
- ☐ **Base Layer Bottoms:** 4 sets of long johns/tights
- ☐ **Mid-Layer Insulation:** 2 fleece hoodies and 1 pair of fleece pants
- ☐ **Heavy Insulation:** 1 synthetic-fill jacket or heavy fleece
- ☐ **Light Rain Shell and Pant:** 1 lightweight rain jacket and pants for hiking and around camp
- ☐ **Camp/Sun Wear:** 2 T-shirts and 1–2 long-sleeve sun shirts
- ☐ **Shorts:** 1 pair of quick-drying shorts
- ☐ **Long Pants:** 2 pair of synthetic or wool hiking pants
- ☐ **Underwear:** 3–10 pairs (Merino wool recommended)

☐ **FOOTWEAR & HANDS**

- ☐ **River Socks:** 4–10 pairs of wool-blend socks (neoprene socks optional)
- ☐ **Camp Shoes:** Waterproof hiking boots or running shoes (for hiking and camp)
- ☐ **Sandals:** 1 pair (optional for camp use)
- ☐ **Headwear:** 1 warm fleece hat and 1 ball cap
- ☐ **Handwear:** 1 pair of lightweight fast drying gloves or liners (HRC also provides rubber gloves)
- ☐ **Neck Protection:** 1 neck gaiters or buff

☐ **PERSONAL GEAR & TOILETRIES**

- ☐ **Sun Protection:** Polarized sunglasses with a securing strap
- ☐ **Sun Protection:** 70 SPF Sunscreen and SPF lip balm
- ☐ **Vision:** Glasses, backup pair, and contact lens kit/solution
- ☐ **Hygiene:** Toothbrush, toothpaste, and personal towelettes
- ☐ **Soap:** Biodegradable camp soap (e.g., Dr. Bronner's)
- ☐ **Towel:** 1 packable, quick-dry camp towel
- ☐ **Pillow:** 1 small camp pillow
- ☐ **Lighting:** 1 headlamp (with extra batteries)
- ☐ **Bug Protection:** Repellent and a head net (head net is optional, but nice to have if you are prone to bug bites)

☐ **HARDWARE & DOCUMENTATION**

- ☐ **Water Bottle:** 1-quart Nalgene (wide mouth)
- ☐ **Attachment:** 2 locking carabiners (to clip day pack and water bottle to the raft)
- ☐ **Optics:** Camera & binoculars (optional but nice to have)
- ☐ **Documents:** Passport (mandatory), credit card, and cash
- ☐ **Waterproofing:** Ziploc bags for electronics/docs and 2–3 trash compactor bags for lining your dry bags

☐ **[PROVIDED] BY HAINES RAFTING COMPANY**

These items will be waiting for you in Haines—do not pack your own without consulting Haines Rafting Company first..

- ☐ **Life Jacket:** Professional-grade High-Float PFD
 - ☐ **Rain Gear:** Heavy-duty Helly Hansen rubber rain suit (bibs)
 - ☐ **Handwear:** Rubber fisherman's gloves with liners
 - ☐ **Sleeping System:** 4-season tent, 20-degree synthetic sleeping bag, and pad
 - ☐ **Drinkware:** Insulated mug
 - ☐ **Storage:** 2 large dry bags for your gear
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2026 Alsek Expedition Master Checklist: Designed for the organizing and packing you bags. This list is organized by bag.

☐ **DAILY WEAR:** On the River

*Dress in layers. **Avoid cotton** while on the water.*

- ☐ **Base Layers:** Synthetic or wool long-sleeve zip shirts (2+ for layering)
- ☐ **Mid-Layer:** Fleece hoody and fleece pants
- ☐ **Insulation:** Synthetic-fill insulated jacket (medium to heavy weight)
- ☐ **Shell:** Gore-Tex type jacket and pants
- ☐ **Feet:** Heavy wool-blend socks with rubber boots
- ☐ **Head:** Fleece hat and a ball cap
- ☐ **Eyes:** Polarized sunglasses with a securing strap
- **[HRC PROVIDED]:** Rubber rain jacket and bibs, fisherman gloves, rubber boots and High-Float PFD

☐ DRY BAG 1: Camp Clothing

Packing like items together in stuff sacks or pods helps keep your dry bag organized.

- ☐ **Base Layer Spares:** 3 sets of wool/synthetic long-sleeves & long johns
- ☐ **Camp Tops:** 2 T-shirts and 1-2 long-sleeve sun shirts
- ☐ **Camp Bottoms:** 1 pair quick-drying long pants and shorts and fleece pants
- ☐ **Underwear:** 3–10 pairs (Merino wool preferred)
- ☐ **Socks:** 4–10 pairs of wool-blend socks (Optional: neoprene socks)
- ☐ **Footwear:** Waterproof hiking boots or running shoes (Optional: sandals)
- ☐ **Laundry:** Garbage bag or stuff sack for dirty clothes
- ☐ **Valuables:** Passport, cash, and phone (in a sealed Ziploc)

☐ DRY BAG 2: Personal Care

- ☐ **Toiletries:** Toothbrush, toothpaste, and personal towelettes
- ☐ **Soap:** Biodegradable camp soap or Castile soap
- ☐ **Vision:** Glasses, backup pair, and contact lens kit/solution
- ☐ **Lighting:** Headlamp (with fresh batteries)
- ☐ **Comfort:** Packable camp towel and camp pillow
- ☐ **Sleep System:** 20° synthetic sleeping bag, and sleeping pad
- *Tents will be stored separately, you won't need room for your tent.*

☐ DAYPACK: Essentials

Kept accessible on the raft throughout the day.

- ☐ **Warmth Layer:** Synthetic puffy jacket or fleece hoody (stored inside pack)
- ☐ **Rain Gear:** Rubber Rain Jacket and Bibs
- ☐ **Tools:** 2 locking carabiners (to secure gear to raft)
- ☐ **Hydration:** 1-quart Nalgene water bottle
- ☐ **Protection:** 70 SPF Sunscreen, SPF lip balm, and bug repellent
- ☐ **Optics:** Binoculars & Cameras
- ☐ **Accessories:** Neck buff and spare fleece hat
- **[HRC PROVIDED]:** Insulated mug and rubber fisherman gloves with liners