

Suggested Snowshoeing Pack List Yosemite Outdoor Adventures Yosemite Conservancy

Welcome to Yosemite Outdoor Adventures!

## WHAT TO WEAR:

Dress for winter conditions! Our program will continue rain or shine, so prepare for any weather with layered clothing and waterproof outerwear. We recommend long underwear, fleece outerwear, parka or shell and waterproof hiking boots. Do not wear cotton. Don't forget a warm hat, gloves and extra socks! Sun protection will be very important if it's clear. It can get very warm while traveling, and cool when not. You will want to be able to shed layers. On a sunny day, even down to a t-shirt while trekking.

## **EQUIPMENT & GEAR TO BRING:**

You'll need to bring the following gear for this class:

- Daypack with lunch, snacks and plenty of water at least 2 liters
- Snowshoes (if you have them). For those who don't, snowshoes are provided.
- □ Trekking poles are not included
- Hiking waterproof boots or Bean or Sorrell-type boots (for use with snowshoes)
- Gaiters
- □ Sun protection: strong sunscreen, sun hat, and sunglasses

## **OPTIONAL ITEMS:**

- □ Field guide
- □ Notebook/pencils, sketchbook, journal
- Camera
- □ A piece of an ensolite pad or a small ground cloth is handy to sit on when we stop for lunch.

## **DRIVING IN THE WINTER**

In addition, your vehicle should be prepared for winter conditions. This includes: having a good ice scraper/snow brush and snow shovel in your car, making sure your radiator has fresh anti-freeze, checking your tire chains fit and making certain your auto battery is in good condition. Most of the time, chains are not required if you have a 4-wheel drive vehicle running M&S rated tires, however, park officials do require 4-wheel drive vehicles to carry tires chains. <u>Check the NPS website</u> for more information regarding tire chain requirements. Also, do not forget to fill your gas tank BEFORE you reach the park. There is no gas available in Yosemite Valley. The Crane Flat Gas station (on Hwy. 120) is the only one that usually remains open in the park in the winter and has limited hours.

Questions? Reach us at 209-379-2647 or adventures@yosemite.org