



Cass Valley Ski Tour Equipment List

A full range of conditions and temperatures can be expected in the New Zealand mountains in winter and participants need to be prepared with suitable clothing, eyewear and ski or splitboard touring equipment. This includes a shovel, transceiver and probe. Your guide will do a comprehensive check of your gear at the start of the trip to ensure it is in good working order and fit for purpose and there will be the opportunity to purchase or hire gear that is not deemed suitable.

The Cass Valley huts are equipped with mattresses, cooking equipment and wood stoves for heating. If there is anything you don't have or have any questions, please get [in contact](#) with us.

Body

- Underwear
- Base layer top and bottoms (merino or polyprop, no cotton)
- Mid-layer top (fleece or windproof)
- Insulating jacket (synthetic fill)
- Waterproof jacket
- Softshell or waterproof ski trousers

Head/Face

- Sunhat or cap
- Warm hat & neck gaiter (eg Buff®)
- Sunglasses
- Goggles
- Ski helmet (recommended)

Hands

- Lightweight gloves
- Warm gloves

Accessories

- Backpack, around 30 - 40 litre capacity, ideal with an avalanche tools pocket.
- Water bottles (1.5 to 2 litres capacity)
- Small container of sunblock & lip balm

Feet

- Ski touring or snowboard boots
- Ski/snowboard socks

Ski touring gear

- Ski touring skis and skins or splitboard with skins and splitboard crampons* (ski crampons for ski touring skis are recommended)
- Ski poles

Safety gear (provided)

- Shovel, transceiver (with fresh batteries) and probe**

Overnight

- Sleeping bag and liner (3+ season)
- Hut clothes
- Head torch and spare batteries
- Personal toiletries (blister kit & personal medication)

*Mandatory

**We recommend shovels with a telescopic handle and probes around 240cm in length.

