



Remarkables Winter Climbing Equipment List

A full range of conditions and temperatures can be expected in the New Zealand mountains during winter. Participants must be suitably prepared with suitable clothing, eyewear and safety equipment. 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.

Your guide can pick you up from your accommodation in Wānaka, Frankton or meet at the bottom of the ski field road.

Body

- Base layer top and bottoms (merino or polypro, no cotton)
- Mid-layer top (fleece, windproof, or lightweight synthetic)
- Insulating jacket (synthetic fill or hydrophobic down preferred)
- Waterproof jacket and trousers
- Softshell climbing or trekking trousers

Head / Face / Hands

- Sunhat or cap
- Warm hat & neck gaiter (eg Buff®)
- Sunglasses
- Goggles
- Lightweight climbing gloves (eg Esko® Polar Bear)
- Warm, waterproof gloves

*available to hire \$20 per item per day

Finally, make sure you have lunch and snacks packed for the day.

Feet

- Rigid mountaineering boots*
- Snow gaiters*

Technical gear and safety (can be provided)

- Ice axe and hammer
- Boot crampons
- Helmet
- Harness
- 120cm length sling
- Belay device (eg ATC Guide®)
- Prussik loops
- 2-4 screwgate carabiners
- Avalanche transceiver, shovel, and probe
- Snowshoes and trekking poles

Accessories

- Backpack (30-40 litre capacity) with ice axe attachments
- Water bottles (1.5 to 2 litres capacity), wide-mouth Nalgene® recommended
- Small container of sunblock & lippy
- Headtorch with new batteries
- Personal medication and blister kit



Meeting Point

Unless otherwise agreed, trips start at the WMG Base at 6:30am where there is off-street car parking and luggage storage available. It is also possible to arrange to be picked up from accommodation in Wānaka or Frankton. If staying in central Queenstown, we ask you to get the easy and cheap public bus or a taxi out to the Frankton Bus Exchange to avoid the morning traffic.

Accommodation is available in our [Kea Lodge](#) the night before the trip. Get in touch for more details.

Insurance

WMG fees do not include insurance for personal circumstances (including but not limited to travel, injury, medical, and equipment).

We strongly recommend you obtain:

- Travel insurance to cover you in the event of a trip cancellation by either you or us, for trip changes, or for medical emergencies to cover you for your personal health needs;
- Personal and third-party insurance is required to cover damage or loss of equipment and property.

We do not accept liability, responsibility, or any expenses for insurance-related costs incurred by participants in preparation for or participation in our trips and courses.