

BURNINGMAN PACKING LIST

Trip / Flight / Driving Stuff:

- Burning Man Ticket! (people have forgotten them in the past)
- Maps / Driving Directions
- Auto Insurance info and roadside assistance numbers
- Extra keys (+ extra alarm clicker thingy - trade extra keys with a friend)
- Cell Phone (charged batteries and recharger)
- 5 Gallon Gas Can - (long lonely stretches of road with no gas stations if you run out)
- Good Spare Tire (check air pressure)/ Tools and Jacks (do they all work?) and Fix-a-flat cans
- Cheap Walkie Talkies for car caravans (wont work well at BM as hundreds of people have `em so there are no open channels).

Camp/Sleep Stuff

- Tent (buy a cheap one – anything you take out there will get ruined)
- Optional – RV, Trailer or Cargo Van (if you are a wuss ;-)
- Waterproofing the tent – spray, testing, etc. (CampDry)
- Warm Sleeping Bag! (and Extra Blankets?) and pillow(s)
- Air Mattress or Cot,
- Foam Ear plugs
- Tarp or old carpet (that goes under the tent)
- Lantern (electric or battery operated for inside of tent)
- 18" rebar stakes! (with tops "U'd" over for safety) & small sledge hammer
- Fluorescent surveyors tape/ribbon (tent ropes) + Rebar covers
- Shade Structure (approx 10x10 for the front of your tent / rv – Easy-Ups, Parachutes)
- Camp chairs, Lawn Chairs, inflatable furniture, bean bags, hammocks, old couches,
- Folding table - amazingly useful - (for cooking, bar, etc)
- Carpeting
- Duct tape, bungee cords, cable ties, work gloves (why ask why?)
- Rope (paracord/550 cord from Army Surplus stores)
- Tiki Torches (and Fuel) (use with caution – tent safety, rebar anchor)
- Cook Stove & Gas + waterproof matches
- Pots, pans, dish soap, scrubby
- Small tub to wash and collect gray water
- Camping lantern
- Extension Cords and Power Strips (if you are taking a generator)
- Battery powered Christmas Lights
- Battery operated radio (for Radio Electra, Radio Free Burningman, etc.)
- Extra batteries

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- Bikes, tire repair kit, tools, air pump, lock, spare tube
- Bike lights - please make sure you point it down so as to not blind people. Wear lots of glow/blinky stuff to avoid being hit by an art car :-) And remember to decorate your bike!

Food & Drink Stuff

(ALWAYS try and end up with trash that can be burned in burn barrels - and eat and drink well!)

- Water! - bring at least a gallon per person per day (I drink more). Alcohol and caffeine are diuretics and will drain moisture from your body so you have to drink more water to compensate.
- Cups and Plates - paper = burnable vs. plastic/metal
- Gatorade or some other electrolyte replenishing drink
- Camelback or large water bottle with strap
- Paper plates and cups for guests (they burn)
- Paper Drink Cartons (they burn too)
- Eating utensils (lexan or metal/lexan (durable) vs. plastic (cheap)
- Disposable wooden chopsticks make excellent utensils (and they burn!)
- Plan every meal- if you do so you won't end up hungry - or with a bunch of left-over food
- Vacuum sealed pre-cooked deep frozen foods for re-heating and consumption.
- Snack bars, trail mix, dried fruit, ice cream (huh?), jerky, peanut butter
- Dehydrated foods, Tasty bite, rice,
- Alcohol - as needed.
- ICE! - Bring as much as you can store (Ice at Burning Man is about \$2.00 a bag BUT it there are long lines and they often sell out)
- Coolers - food packaging, Dry Ice, etc. - multiple coolers - drinks cooler (opened frequently), food cooler (opened less often) tight seal (tape), Extreme Coolers

Toilet, Shower, and Personal Stuff

- Spare toilet paper (buy the porta-potty safe stuff - usually available in RV shops)
- Flip flops (for late night bathroom trips)
- Mini flashlight or headlamp LED (lasts longer and provides bright even light) vs. Halogen (a little cheaper)
- Sun Shower Bag (the portable solar camping type)
- Propane shower heaters (optional)
- Shower water
- Gray water evap basin - (mud issues - water on the playa just turns into mud that stays forever)
- Toiletries Bag - toothbrush / toothpaste / shaving stuff / Soap / Shampoo
- Towels (bring extra - because they can get muddy)

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- Lotion
- Sunblock + Aloe for post-burn
- Eye drops (contact lens issues)
- First Aid kit
- Foot care (lotions, salts, mole-skin)
- Chapstick (buy several with SPF protection)
- Wet Wipes - Baby wipes rock for late night cleanup, pre meals, or just to cool down during the day)
- Tampons, Condoms, Prescription meds, etc.

Clothing and Costume Stuff

(No feather boas or things that will break off like big loose sequins - we have to pick up all those teeny little things)

- Hats (The more the merrier: decorative, protection from the sun, and at night for warmth)
- Sunglasses (a couple of pairs – in case one breaks – Ross has cheap/cool ones)
- Goggles & Dust Masks – (don't leave home without 'em)
- Skirts, Sarongs, Utilikilts
- Keep a clean set of clothing in a ziploc bag for the ride home (consider stopping at a truck stop for a real shower on your way back)
- Fishnets, hose, bodysuits (Trails)
- Comfortable (hiking) shoes
- funky shoes (will get dusty/muddy, avoid stiletto heels)
- make-up (body paints, glitter gels) – think shower and playa cleanup
- Coats/cloaks – it can get really cold at night
- Rain gear/Poncho (BM 2000 - Freezingman)
- Gloves (decorative and for warmth)
- Glow sticks, glow ropes (glow anything)
- Blinky Flashers (battery operated to wear at night)
- El-wire lined clothing - <http://www.google.com/search?hl=en&ie=UTF-8&q=El-wire>

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Entertainment & Misc Stuff

- Cameras (dust issues - good cameras can be protected by encasing them in a large Ziploc bags with the lens poking through a hole - and use gaffer's tape to seal the bag around the hole for the lens, APS disposable work well and give you a panoramic option)
- Film - keep it cool and dry
- Drums (the more the better. Any thing percussion / bells / chimes)
- Musical Instruments. guitars, flutes, baby grand.... (caution - dust and possibly moisture issues if we have rain)
- Gifts/Trinkets (don't barter - try giving for the pleasure of gifting)
- Tribal Art - Sculptures, Totems, Flags, Banners,

Clean-Up Stuff

- sifting screen, shade cloth to sift through ashes for nails and other MOOP
- rake
- big "hefty" garbage bags
- Empty coolers can be used for stinky wet trash (remember to close the drain hole). Clean out with bleach