

■ Rockhounding Packing List

This checklist covers the essential tools, safety gear, and extras you'll need for a successful rockhounding trip. Whether you're searching for crystals, fossils, or gemstones, being prepared ensures a safe and fun adventure.

■Tools & Gear

- Rock hammer and chisel set
- Shovel or small spade
- Geologist's pick
- Sifting screen or classifier
- Bucket(s) or sturdy collection bags
- Hand lens or magnifying glass
- Geology field guide or rock ID book
- GPS device or compass

Extras

Rain jacket

Sun hat and sunglasses

Sunscreen and bug spray

• Camera or smartphone for documenting finds

Clothing & Personal Items

Weather-appropriate layered clothing

- · Map of collecting site
- Camping chair or stool
- Notebook for field notes

■ Safety Gear

- Safety goggles
- Gloves (leather or heavy-duty)
- Sturdy boots with good traction
- Dust mask or respirator (for breaking rocks)
- First aid kit
- Hard hat (if collecting in quarries/mines)

■Storage & Transport

- Newspaper or bubble wrap for specimens
- Plastic bags or containers with labels
- Permanent marker and notebook for notes
- Backpack or rock bag for carrying finds

■Food & Hydration

- Plenty of drinking water
- Snacks (trail mix, protein bars, fruit)
- Cooler with lunch
- With this checklist, you'll be ready to safely and successfully enjoy your rockhounding adventure!

