



4-Day Back Country Avalanche Risk Management Gear List

Items in red Italics are available from Hillary Outdoors – please request prior to arrival

Clothing

- Parka / jacket (must be waterproof and have a hood)
- Overtrousers
- Thick socks
- Long-johns
- Long pants - fleece
- Polypro / thermal tops
- Wool or fleece jumpers
- Down / synthetic duvet jacket
- Polypro gloves
- 2 sets of waterproof gloves (ski gloves and/or woolen mitts with overmitts are acceptable)
- Hat / beanie / balaclava (wool or fleece)
- Sun hat
- Sandshoes / jandals etc. (for inside hut)
- Casual clothes for evenings

Extras

- Toiletries, towel
- Personal first aid kit
- Camera
- Mt Ruapehu season lift pass (if you have one)

Equipment

- Pen and paper for classroom, field note-book and pencil for outside
- Sleeping bag and pillow case
- Pack – medium size
- Sunglasses
- Ski goggles
- Sunblock
- Water bottle – 2 litres minimum
- Thermos ½ L (optional)
- Torch/headlamp & spare batteries

Technical equipment

- Ice Axe
- *Avalanche transceiver*
- *Snow shovel*
- *Avalanche probe 3+ meters*
- Suitable helmet
- Skis, snowboard or snowshoes suitable for back country travel OR mountain boots + crampons

NB: If you lose items or damage our gear you will be responsible for payment of replacement costs.

This course will proceed whatever the weather. You must be prepared to be out in a traditional Mt Ruapehu storm which could be freezing rime or driving rain. On the other hand, it may be hot and sunny with a touch of light powder. Your instructor will check that you have everything when you arrive.