Philmont Cavalcade Personal Packing List

Packing video: https://youtu.be/FxcGKnyf33E

- **Sleeping**
  - Sleeping bag
  - REI or Sea to Summit Compression sacks (they are water-resistant. The Philmont provided ones are not)
  - Waterproof ground cloth (5x7) per tent
  - Sleeping clothes - worn only in the sleeping bag (t-shirt and shorts)
  - Backpacking insulated Air Sleeping Pad (Therm-a-rest ProLite, Big Agnes, or similar)
  - Inflatable pillow (optional, but nice to have. You can't use your jacket.)
- **Wearing**
  - Western riding boots (No Lace-ups or lug soles) 1'' Heal minimum
  - Lightweight sneakers or tennis shoes (used for side hikes and around camp)
  - Clothes for side hikes
  - Camp towel
  - 4 pairs of socks
  - 1 pair of riding Jeans (western cut riding)
  - 1 belt (**required**)
  - 2 long sleeve shirts (synthetic)
  - 4 pair underwear (synthetic)
  - 1 warm jacket or sweater (wool, packable down, or polar fleece) – small dry bag in the pocket
  - Pair of zip-off pants (use as shorts or pants)
  - Hat (sun protection when no on horse wearing helmet)
  - Lightweight leather gloves (great for cold mornings, service projects, and hot pots)
  - Ziploc bags or dry bags for waterproofing
  - Beanie hat for warmth
  - Lightweight raincoat
  - Lightweight Rain Pants
- **Eating**
  - Deep bowl or plate (Plastic Ziploc bowls)
  - Spoon or Spork
  - Cup for Advisors Coffee (Bring your own coffee - I used small instant packets)
  - 2 plastic water bottles (1 quart) – wrap bottles with duct tape– No Camelbak hydration packs but Camelbak bottles are great
- **Personal and Miscellaneous**
  - Small pocket knife (no sheath knives) – Leatherman tool clipped to belt works great
  - Partial roll of individual toilet paper
  - Lip balm (BB – unscented, with sunscreen)
  - Money ($10 - $20 in small bills)
  - Bandanna (BB)

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- Flashlight (small with new batteries) – A small headlamp is best, especially when you are packing a packhorse in the dark
- 10 tent pins per person
- Toothbrush (BB)
- Small Toothpaste (BB)
- Small Soap (BB)
- Comb
- Small Camp towel (BB)
- Tampons/sanitary napkins (BB)
- A small tube of sunscreen for hands, face, and neck (BB)
- Ditty bag (labeled w/ name) - holds personal items when they go up in the bear bag (BB)
- Medication

****Some of this stuff goes into the bear bag (BB) at night. Bring a small ditty bag to put your own personals into so they don't get mixed up with everyone else's once it goes into the bear bag – **write your name on it!**

- **Bag for Headquarters**
  - Uniform
- **Optional**
  - Camera (small pocket size – water resistant is a bonus)
  - Sunglasses with a strap keeper
  - Watch with alarm
  - Insect Repellent
  - Philmont Field Guide
  - Waterproof notepad and pencil
  - Compass
  - Compressible Day Pack

Philmont will provide all necessary horse gear including saddles, bridles, halters, saddlebags, stuff sacks, slickers, and helmets. Also provided will be crew camping equipment such as tents, pots & pans, stoves, fuel, and bear bags.

All personal gear must fit in the stuff sacks and saddlebags. One stuff sack (21 ¼ x 11) will hold your sleeping bag and personal belongings. Also, we each get two saddlebags (3 x 12 x 12). However, saddlebags are often stuffed with food. You will probably have room for your two water bottles and small personal items. Sneakers must fit into the stuff sack. You can also put some lightweight items into a feedbag that is hanging off the horn of the saddle. **These stuff sacks are NOT waterproof**. If participants desire a waterproof stuff sack, you must bring their own 30L stuff sack in the dimensions of 21 ¼ inches long by 11 inches in diameter.

For the trip, travel with two bags. One bag will have whatever you want for travel and for Philmont base camp. The second bag is for on the trail.

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**** While on the trail – Your raincoat and jacket will get rolled up in the Philmont issued rain slicker. This gets tied on to the back of the horse. In the feedbag and saddlebags, you must have access to gloves, rain pants, lip balm, sunscreen, toilet paper, water bottles, crew hat, sunglasses, and a camera