

List of Gear for a Fishing Trip

What Larsen Bay Lodge Provides:

- Comfortable lodging, including bed linen and towels
- All meals
- Soft drinks
- Transportation between the Larsen Bay air strip and the lodge
- Transportation from the lodge to the fishing grounds
- Experienced Fishing Guide
- Fish cleaning, freezing and boxing
- Spinning gear (If you fly fish, you must bring your own equipment)
- Hot tub & Sauna!
- Most importantly, some of the best fishing in Alaska!

What You Should Bring:

As you probably already know, weather in Alaska is unpredictable. No matter what time of year you come, weather can be unseasonably hot, cold, wet or dry! So **prepare for the unexpected**. Dressing in layers is imperative for comfort. That way you can add layers or take them off as necessary. With that in mind, here are some suggestions:

- A good rain suit
- Polar fleece pullover or hooded sweatshirt
- Medium weight jacket
- One undershirt for each day
- 3 shirts of varying weights that can likely be worn several times
- One cotton turtle neck shirt
- 3 pairs of pants
- 1-2 pair of long underwear
- One pair of socks for every day plus a couple of spares
- 2-3 pairs of boot socks if needed
- A variety of gloves, (ex. neoprene, cotton, polar fleece)
- One waterproof day pack, which you can also use for a carry-on for the flight. You can find them at Cabela's as well as other sporting goods stores.
- One pair of waders or hip boots
- Camp shoes – some sort of slip on short boots or moccasins that are easily put on and taken off are handy.
- One warm hat
- One baseball cap or similar

Miscellaneous:

- Bug Spray with deet.
- Shaving kit with toiletries

- Chapstick
- Hand cream
- Camera
- Extra camera batteries
- More film than you think you need!
- Video camera
- Binoculars
- Polarized sun glasses
- A couple of garbage bags for dirty clothes and boots for the trip home
- Ziplock bags are handy to keep camera / video clean and dry as well as having other misc. uses
- Various small to medium size Tupperware-like containers (square or rectangular) can be useful for packing small loose items that otherwise might get lost in your cavernous duffel bag! They also come in handy for protecting fragile items you have packed and souvenirs on the way home that you do not want to get crushed.
- Duct tape packed in your carry-on can come in handy for emergency repairs and reinforcement to luggage, fish boxes, etc.
- Reading material for the long flights and possible weather delays

If you forget something, Macy's Sporting Goods in Kodiak (907-486-4276), will have virtually anything you may need for the trip from clothing to supplies.

Try to pack everything into one duffel bag not exceeding 70 lbs. If possible, keep your bag under 50 lbs. to avoid paying the airlines an excess weight fee of \$25. As long as your bag doesn't weigh over 70 lbs., it will cost \$25 in excess weight for your one bag. But if it weighs over 70 lbs., then you have to pay \$100 in excess weight! At any rate, the object is to have one checked bag on the flight to Alaska so you can bring a box of fish home from Alaska as your second bag. This way you can take back fish without having to pay excess baggage for a third bag. The airlines allow you two pieces of checked luggage and one carry-on.

If you have heavy or fragile articles, (cameras, etc.) you may consider putting them in your carry-on. Other suggestions for your carry-on luggage might include reading material suitable for long airplane rides and weather related delays, toiletries, and maybe a change of underwear and socks. That way if you arrive in Anchorage late at night and you are flying to Larsen Bay the next day, you can leave all your luggage at the airport at the storage facility in the Baggage Claim area. Then just take your carry-on to the hotel and wear the same shirt and pants to camp the next day. This strategy also works well if the airline loses your luggage.

CLIMATE DATA	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
<i>Avg. High</i>	49.5	55.6	60.5	61.9	56.6	47.2	39.9	36.4
<i>Avg. Low</i>	37.5	43.6	48.2	48.4	43.4	34.2	28.8	25.2
<i>Avg. Daylight</i>	16.5	18	17.5	15.85	13.5	11	8.75	6.75
<i>Avg. Precip.</i>	5.5"	4.8"	3.7"	5.2"	7.0"	7.2"	6.0"	6.8"