IGIUGIG LODGE, LLC - Packing List

Fishing Clothes & Gear

- ✓ Long underwear in a synthetic polypropylene is best. You may not need them everyday, but they are a good base layer.
- ✓ Fleece pants for under your waders. Polar fleece or any kind of poly works best.
- ✓ Fleece pullover or shirt. We prefer the hooded style which allows you to have something to pull over your head to warm up and protect your head and neck from those pesky mosquitoes. A hood also gives you the benefit of protecting your ears from flies on lines being cast in a cross wind.
- ✓ Fishing hat. You probably already have a favorite, but we suggest a brimmed hat, such as a baseball cap or a watch cap.
- ✓ Light weight fleece jacket. It's good to have this extra layer to wear over your fleece hoodie, in case of colder weather.
- ✓ Rain coat. A good quality rain coat is priceless when the weather conditions require one. It need not be long, as you'll be in chest waders. Gore-tex is the best, as it breathes, when on a short hike to the river. We have a couple extra at the lodge for your use if needed.
- ✓ Merino wool boot socks. Brad's favorite and all he wears.
- ✓ Gloves. There are a variety gloves available at sporting goods stores. Fingerless fleece gloves work well for fishing, otherwise, we recommend you have a pair of gloves with you to warm up your hands when needed.
- ✓ Polarized sunglasses are a must if you want to see the fish in the water. They also protect your eyes from hooks and the sun.
- ✓ NO COTTON! You'll notice we do not recommend wearing cotton when fishing in Alaska. Cotton absorbs water and will not dry out while you are wearing it, therefore, will not keep you warm.
- ✓ Waders. Chest-high or waist-high Gore-tex waders with rubber sole boots. (Felt is no longer legal in Alaska)
- ✓ Most experienced fishermen have their own waders, rods and reels, so bring them if you have them. Brad recommends a 7-weight rod for most of your fishing with both a floating line and a sink tip. A 5 or 6-weight with floating line is also useful for smaller rainbow trout and dry-fly fishing for grayling. Some fishermen like an 8-weight for salmon; it's your choice.

Lodge Clothes

- ✓ Cotton is okay for lounging around the lodge. This is a fishing lodge and you are on vacation comfortable, casual attire is appropriate.
- ✓ Comfortable shoes, sandals or slippers for wearing indoors and/or on the beach near the lodge.

Miscellaneous.

- ✓ A small waterproof or weather resistant backpack is useful for carrying extra layers of clothing, rain jacket, and your camera.
- ✓ A digital camera with enough memory (or extra memory cards) to capture your Alaskan fishing experience. It's common to see bear, fox and porcupine, along with all those fish pictures you'll want to show your friends.
- ✓ Calling card for making long distance calls. Our lodge phone provides only local calls that means only calls to Igiugig, Alaska.
- ✓ Medications. We are in a remote area without grocery/drug stores. While the village does have a "clinic", if you require over-the-counter or prescription medication it is advised you bring a supply.
- ✓ Sunscreen. Our winters are long but our summer sunshine can be strong!

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