

## **EQUIPMENT CHECKLIST for a 7-12 Day BACKPACK HUNT**

### **CLOTHING**

- ❑ Socks (1 pair/set (liner and heavy pair) for every 2-4 days); New socks are very beneficial
- ❑ Briefs/Boxer briefs (1 for every 3-6 days);
- ❑ Long Underwear Tops – Zip T (2); 1 Wool and 1 Synthetic blend (non-odor type is best)
- ❑ Long Underwear Bottoms – Wool or synthetic type (1 for Aug., 2 for Sept)
- ❑ Pants – (1 or 2) Synthetic; Sitka Gear, Arcteryx, Day One Camo, Westcomb, Sporthill, Mammut, Otte, Ibex, Cloud Veil or Windbloc fleece ( Mtn Hardware.)
- ❑ Shirts or Pullover - Wool or fleece (1 long sleeve)
- ❑ Gloves – fleece, wool, syn leather or knit (1 or 2) and 1 weather/waterproof glove (removable liner) – Hestra, OR
- ❑ Hat (1 light – ball cap and/or 1 specialty – w/earflaps, stocking cap type or brimmed); OR, Mountain Hardware( Beanie, Toque)
- ❑ Raingear – Jacket and Pants; Nylon Shell 3-Ply Goretex or Similar (Mountain Hunts) – KUIU (we use KUIU very good product)-Sitka (best Camo); Helly Hansen
- ❑ Jacket (1) – Medium weight, Wool or Fleece; Wind-block type is best for warmth/weight.
- ❑ Insulated Jacket or vest (Cold weather (Sept./Oct) – Down or synthetic fill – North Face or Helly Hanson
- ❑ Gaiters: OR Crocs - Nylon/Goretex (mountain hunts) ; KUIU - Sitka
- ❑ Silk or Cotton Handkerchiefs (2) (for scarf use)
- ❑ Travel and/or spare clothes (1 set - wear to and from airport – leave at hotel w/hard gun or bow case)
- ❑ Soft Gun Case, You have to leave hard case at hotel and use soft case for Charter flight.

### **FOOTWEAR**

- ❑ Boots – waterproof w/new laces, well treated/greased:. Lowa, Meindl, La Sportiva, Scarpa, Hanwag
- ❑ Stream crossing waders (Wiggy's nylon waders (light wt) Blister kit (Moleskin, Band-Aids,
- ❑ Blister covers/pads, 2<sup>nd</sup> Skin, athletic tape and Duct tape)
- ❑ Sport shield or Body Glide for feet and/or inside of legs/butt (optional)
- ❑ Garbage bags or light wt waterproof bag for putting boots in sleeping bag to keep from freezing.

### **SLEEPING**

- ❑ Sleeping bag (mummy or modified/semi mummy style) – synthetic (Polarguard, Climbashield or Primaloft) for wet climates, but down (700- 900 fill) is ok on later/colder hunts and if dry. 10-30 Degree F rating for Aug.; -10 to 10 Degree F for Sept/Oct.; -20 to -40 Integral Designs, Feathered Friends, Western Mountaineering, Big Agnes, Montbell.

For Stone Sheep, Moose, Caribou , Goat hunts

- ❑ Waterproof stuff/compression sack (Sea to Summit, OR, Integral Designs, Granite Gear)
- ❑ Thermarest Sleeping Pad Exped Downmat 7, stuff sack & patch/repair kit.
- ❑ Stocking cap or headband for sleeping; Thermarest Pillow slip (optional).

## HUNTING EQUIPMENT

- ❑ Large backpack: Mystery Ranch NICE or G Series or Barney's Aluminum frame/bag or Wilderness Wanderer
- ❑ Backpack Rainfly (Barneys Kooldri or Outdoor Research)
- ❑ 2, 1" wide nylon straps with buckles (20-36" long), extra 2" waist buckle and 1" buckles for pack
- ❑ Binoculars – waterproof (minimum of 7 power and 30 mm objective) with Binoshield or similar holster
- ❑ Spotting Scope-Variable – 40x minimum; Leica and Zeiss are the best: Nikon Fieldscope III is best value
  
- ❑ Leki Telescopic Trekking pole (Titanium or Carbon Fiber), Black Diamond or Petzl Walking Ice-Axe, Walking Stick
- ❑ Satellite phone – handheld: Iridium or Globalstar w/extra battery or SPOT – in waterproof bag. Optional you can use our phone \$1.50 a min.
  
- ❑ Range Finder – Leica CRF 1200 and Swarovski are the best or Rangefinding Binoculars (Zeiss or Leica or Leopold)
- ❑ Lens cloth
- ❑ 1 compact hunting knife (sharp) and small stone or Eze-lap Diamond Stone **OR**
- ❑ Pocket Knife, Skinning Knife
- ❑ Portable, light weight, bone saw – Gerber Gator or WY Saw are both strong; plastic handle Gerber ok.
- ❑ Multi-tool (Compact Leatherman or comparable). Leatherman Squirt is lightests (optional)
- ❑ Head lamp (very important)