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Wilderness Survival Gear

Going Camping? This Is The Gear You'll Need In Case Anything Goes Wrong

The Essentials 2.0

The classic system was nice for its simplicity; however, the items on it were meant to be treated as standalone tools. Let's face it: A map is nice, but so much more effective when paired with a compass. You might say, well, both were included on the classic list, right? Yes, but the gear below will allow you to get the most out of classic navigation tools. Is it cheating? Maybe so, but the methodology might just save your butt.

1. Mountain Hardware's Ghost Whisperer Down Jacket



Best for: Keeping you warm on freezing nights (or days)

Insulation is very environment-specific. What works for a temperate forest when the sun sets will be insufficient for the arctic freeze or thin mountain air. If you're venturing into snow or above the tree line, consider Mountain Hardware's Ghost Whisperer Down Jacket. It's expensive, but the 800-fill down is water resistant and it packs down to eight ounces of nothing, leaving you with no excuse to leave home without it.

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