

Weather

The weather can change often and quickly.

It can be cold or warm any month May - October.

You are exposed to the sun even if it is cloudy.

Wind from the east usually means rain.

Wind from the west usually means stable weather.

Sub-freezing temps are possible in May & Sept.

Remember- no rain, no rainbows!

If there is any thunder or lightning near you, get off the water immediately!

Average high temperatures:

May 62 F	Aug. 71 F
June 69	Sept. 59
July 75	Oct. 46

For a current weather report and four day forecast check our web site at www.hjo.com.

If there is a problem

You will be on a wilderness canoe trip - self-reliance is part of the experience. For small problems, we provide a first aid kit to our completely outfitted parties. Other parties should always carry a well-supplied first aid kit of their own. Once you are in the BWCAW or Quetico Park there is no practical way we can contact you and vice versa. There is no cell phone service in the area at this time. It is very rare there is any serious problem at all. We will explain procedures to follow if your party has an emergency while on the trip.

Please remember - there is no practical way for us to reach you while you are out on your trip. If there is an emergency back home we can only take a message and pass it on to you when you return.

Personal Items

camera	small flashlight
rain gear	pocket knife
sunscreen	a good book
sunglasses	lip balm
pencil and paper	playing cards
a small towel	a hammock
personal soap & toilet articles	head lamp
insect repellent	aspirin

Clothing:

General rules on clothes

White and dark blue clothing tend to attract bugs.

If cotton gets wet it stays wet.

Many thin layers are better than one heavy layer.

Bring clean clothes for the ride home and leave them in your car.

You should have the following for trips in late June, July and August.

We recommend that you have rain pants and parka with hood. If you have good rain gear, please bring it.

2 T-shirts, light colored

1 sturdy, long sleeve shirt, very versatile for layering and sun protection

1 or 2 lightweight trousers - light, loose fitting

1 short pants or swim suit

2 pair light sox, cotton, polypropylene or acrylic

1 pair heavy, warm sox, wool or polypropylene

Always keep one pair dry to wear in the evening

2 underwear - remember you can wash very easily

1 wind breaker or light jacket

1 wool sweater, down vest, or polarfleece jacket

1 hat with a brim to keep the sun off your face

1 pair work boots, light hikers, old tennis shoes, something sturdy and comfortable if wet

1 pair dry shoes for camp - sandals are great

2 bandanas (one for noses, one to dry hands on)

1 lightweight long underwear top and bottom (always bring these, you may be very glad)

1 pr. leather gloves for gathering & cutting wood

1 stocking hat for cool nights

These items should also be included if your trip starts in May, early June or September.

1 turtleneck shirt (dark color, absorbs the sun)

1 heavy wool sweater, polarfleece jacket, down vest

1 warmer, more water resistant pair of shoes/boots we use L.L. Bean Hunting boots

2 pair of gloves, one warm and dry, one for paddling extra pairs warm sox

extra warm layers

We provide headnets for completely outfitted parties.

Fishing Gear

Tackle-For all types of fishing in this area you can use light spinning tackle, 6' medium action rod, 6 or 8 lb test line. You may want to use heavier line (12 lb) if you are after northern pike, 4 lb if mainly after trout.

A good tackle box should have: small snap-swivels, split shot weights, #6 hooks, nail clipper (to cut line), needle nose pliers w/wire cutter to remove hooks, a slip bobber and bobber stops, 9" steel leaders, filet knife, a few band-aids. You will want a short handle landing net. Think SMALL and LIGHT! Big fish bite small stuff too!

Lures: N = Northern, W = Walleye, B = Bass, T = Trout
Daredevil Imp 2 1/2" red/white or black/white {all}
Rapala Shad Rap #5 & #7. perch or crayfish color {WB},
Floating Rapala #7 in gold/orange {all},
black/gold {all}, perch {all},
Blue Fox Vibrax #3
Heddon Sonar red/white {T},
Beatle spin, chartreuse & black/yellow
Little Cleo 3/4oz. orange and gold {T}
1/8 oz & 1/4oz Jigs and twister tails in black, white, yellow and crawfish colors

For catching walleyes you will want:

live bait and slip bobbers and bobber stops
jigs - 1/8 and 1/4 oz in fl. orange and black
Lindy-type spinner rigs in white and fl. orange
Jigs and spinners will be tipped with leaches or night crawlers which you can bring or purchase in our store when you arrive.

All lures and bait are available at our store.

Fly fishing

If you are fly fishing a #5 or #7 rod will do for most purposes but a #9 will allow you to cast bigger flies for bass or pike. Please call to discuss what flies you will need for your trip. We have locally tied patterns in our store.

When you arrive, plan some time for routing and orientation.

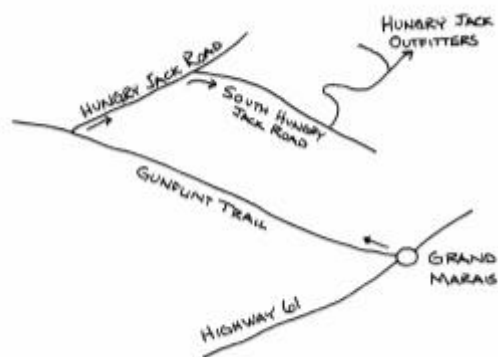
If you are being completely outfitted by us please plan at least two hours for briefing, orientation and routing. We don't like to rush. We want all your questions to be answered.

Try to arrive in the afternoon before your trip.

This way we can go through everything before dinner and you will have time to paddle around our lake or finish packing. We will do our routing in the order you arrive. If you arrive after we normally close there will be a note on the door showing you to your room for the night and we will go through routing and orientation in the morning.

To get to Hungry Jack Outfitters:

Come to Duluth, MN on Interstate Hwy 35 or WI Hwy 53. As you enter Duluth follow Hwy 35/North Shore Dr/ Hwy 61. Follow Hwy 61 for 110 miles NE to Grand Marais, MN. Just as you leave the city of Duluth there is a Scenic Drive along the shore which doesn't take much extra time. After you enter Grand Marais turn Left onto the Gunflint Trail (Co Rd 12) which is about 1/2 mile past the only stop light. Follow the Gunflint Trail over hill and dale for 28 miles to Hungry Jack Road (Co Rd. 65) just before Trail Center Lodge. Turn right on Hungry Jack Road and go 1/3 mile to a fork in the road. You will see our sign and a street sign for South Hungry Jack Road, veer right and follow our road and directional signs 1 1/2 miles to Hungry Jack Outfitters.
1-800-648-2922



Things to read

Canoe Country Wildlife by Mark Stensaas.
Canoe Country Flora by Mark Stensaas
The Singing Wilderness by Siguard Olson
Canoe Country and Snowshoe Country by F.L. Jaques
Woman of the Boundary Waters by Justine Kerfoot
The Sierra Club Naturalists Guide to the North Woods
by Daniel and Sullivan.

Dinner options when you arrive

Restaurants in Grand Marais

Gun Flint Tavern - Excellent food, soups and beer
Across from the harbor
The Angry Trout - Avant garde food and beer.
Really good, fresh fish and other delights.
The Crooked Spoon-Soups plus more home cooking
The Wild Onion-Delicious, creative menu
My Sisters Place - Burgers, fries and Beverages
Sven and Ole's Pizza - Excellent, unusual pizzas and sandwiches.
Dairy Queen - Dairy and Brazier
Subway - on Hwy 61 at the far east end of town

Dining on the Gunflint Trail

Trail Center - Burgers, fries, malts and full menu.
Your best bet for a quick meal. 100 yards past our turn-off, right on the Gunflint Trail.
Old Northwoods Lodge - Reservations required, limited seating, great food. 6 miles further up the Trail. 1-218-388-9464
Gunflint Lodge - Reservations required. Gourmet food. Pricy. 15 miles past Co Rd 65. 1-218-388-2294
The Red Paddle- at Gunflint Lodge, Bistro menu
Trails End Cafe - At the end of the Trail on Saganaga Lake. Burger baskets, pizzas, soups, etc.

We cannot be responsible for your valuables, electronic devices or computers while on your trip. Please leave them at home.

Hungry Jack Outfitters Recommendation List

Some checklists and information to make your trip the best it can be

The Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness and Quetico Provincial Park are part of a unique ecosystem; a beautiful, natural home to many plants and animals. You will be a visitor and must be aware of your impact to the area for it is fragile. We want your trip to be one to remember and we will do all we can to prepare you and help you find the experience you are looking for. Your part is simple: Please be kind to the area you have come to enjoy.

Business hours:

May-August, 7 AM-7PM daily
Except Wednesdays 7 AM-5 PM
September, 8 AM-5 PM

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