

Hoadley Hide 2025 Venturer Equipment List



Venturer Leaders are to go through this list with their Venturers before Hoadley Hide to ensure the patrol is prepared with the correct equipment and basic skills knowledge as outlined below

Please read this document carefully... Hoadley Hide 2025 - 'Journey to Jupiter' is a 3 day long competition hiking event and you need to be prepared for the following:

- Rapidly changing weather conditions
- Appropriate gear for the environment and, to be self-sufficient within your patrol
- Packing enough food to sustain yourselves for 3 days of physical activity.

In terms of specific requirements for Hoadley Hide, you're going to need the following equipment. If you don't have these items, you will have trouble successfully completing each stunt or activity.

Every person in the patrol must bring:

- At least 2L of water storage capacity.
 Water can be refilled at each stunt and at the Venturer Overnight Camp.
- Two lashing ropes approximately 3-5m long
- Pen and/or Pencil
- Personal First Aid Kit (including 1 roller bandage and blister self-treatment supplies)
- Uniform (note that we will be providing a uniform storage facility, please bring your uniform with a hanger, we will return your uniform on Sunday before Closing)

Each team must carry:

- Compass (at least two must be available in each team)
- Whistle (at least two must be available in each team)
- Waterproof plastic folder or similar for maps, paperwork, passport to protect them from dirt & the weather. It is recommended that this folder is flexible so it can easily be packed.
- Sufficient tents for all members of the patrol, allowing for separate tents for males and females, and/or 18 year old and under-18 Venturers. (if you need clarification please contact us)
- Sufficient cooking equipment and fuel for all members of the patrol
- Trowel for burying toilet paper and human waste while out hiking (toilets are provided in the forest during hiking hours, between 9am and 5pm, at locations specified on your map)

Phone use at Hoadley Hide

Mobile phones can be brought to this year's event but we will not be providing charging facilities.

As per "Conditions of Entry 4.j", phones are not to be used as navigational aids.

Mobile phones must not be used in a manner that makes other people feel uncomfortable.

Photos are not to be taken in bathrooms, tents, or changing areas.

Refer to the Code of Conduct for more information on phone use at Hoadley Hide.

Individual Equipment

You must be fully self-sufficient for your time away, this means you need to carry all of your equipment to sleep, camp, eat, cook and live for the period of the Hide. Each night you will be camped at an overnight camp that provides central items to assist you, these include:

- Hot Water (for washing dishes)
- Fresh Drinking Water
- Camp Fires (for warmth, not for cooking)
- Toilets
- Designated areas for camping & cooking

Please consult the packing list when preparing for Hoadley Hide. Equipment will be checked during pack inspection on Thursday Night.

Remember, that whatever you pack you will need to carry for part or all of the Hide.



- Hike Pack with cover and liner (or heavy-duty garbage bag) to protect from rain
- Tent, including Fly & Pegs (you could share with other patrol members to save weight)
- Sleeping Bag
- Sleeping Mat
- Clothes as light as possible, allowing for a change of outer layers over the weekend
- Underwear & socks enough for 1 change per day, along with a spare pair
- Hike Boots or very sturdy comfortable shoes; they should be already worn in
- No Sandals, crocs or thongs, Steel cap boots are not recommended
- Waterproof raincoat, a requirement even if no rain is forecast.
- Sun hat & sunscreen
- Beanie and thermals if cold temperatures forecast
- Minimal toiletries
 - o Toothbrush & toothpaste
 - o Roll on Deodorant
 - o Hand Sanitiser
 - o Wet wipes (there will be no showers)
- Insect repellant
- Head Torch, check it is fully charged, has new batteries
- Hike Stove with Fuel and eating utensils
- Water Bottle(s) at least 2L total capacity
- Food, see Menu Planning document
- Trowel + Toilet Paper
- Bag for rubbish, ziplock bags work well
- Other items as listed above eq. whistle, rope

Some of these items (eg. tent, stove) may be shared with other team members.

A suggested Pack Layout is pictured here \rightarrow

If you have any questions or concerns please email hoadleyhide@scoutsvictoria.com.au

