

# **Dolomite Explorer Packing List**

#### **Trekking Gear**

Gone are the moments of rage, scrabbling through your backpack in search of something. On this trip, you should exploit the advantage of staying in "The One Place" for most of the trip. You can bring as much or as little as you like.

Suitcases are recommended for this trip, although many travelers carry their luggage in a backpack. Alternatively, a sports-type / carry-all bag with a shoulder strap would suffice.

You will also need a good day pack when out trekking/cycling to carry a jacket and personal effects such as camera, sunscreen, water, snacks, blister kit.

If you choose to take up the option of experiencing a night in a Refugio with us, you will also need a cotton or silk sleeping bag liner.

#### **Travel Documents**

International COVID 19 Vaccination Certificate

Travel insurance

Air ticket

Credit card

Spending money in Euro

#### Personal First Aid Kit

Your personal First Aid kit should contain Band-aids, Paracetamol, Deep Heat or

- Bathers
- Sleeping gear (lightweight for hotel and thermals for Refugio)
- Warm fleece, sweater, hat, gloves (cold mornings)
- Waterproof jacket & over-trousers
- Sun hat

#### Non-Optional For This Trip

 Walking poles (good for balance & taking the weight off your knees on descents).

#### Other Suggestions

- Silk or cotton sleeping liner good for extra comfort with blankets and must be used in Rifugios
- Trekking scarf (buff)
- Cycling Gloves (can also be used for protection while trekking with poles and on Via Ferrata)
- Bathers
- Camera
- Spare batteries for camera
- Reading & writing material
- Pair of flip-flops/trainers for anything
- Knee brace or strapping tape not essential but useful for injury
- Hand sanitiser
- Personal toiletries
- Snacks though these can be purchased locally
- Book
- Swiss army knife or similar
- Mobile & charger

#### A Note On Your Boots



other muscle liniment, Blister pads, Crepe bandage, Antibiotic cream for cuts and scratches, 'Imodium' tablets, Strapping tape (for knees and ankles) - optional if you might suffer from any known knee or ankle injuries, Anti-chafing cream, Pawpaw cream, Foot powder if needed, Waterless hand disinfectant, Anti-inflammatory cream, Broad-spectrum antibiotic tablets, Anti-Nausea Tablets.

We also recommend sharing a First Aid Kit if you are traveling in a group.

\*If you have something you are particularly prone to, ear infections or sinus problems, bring what you need with you

#### Personal Items

- Comfortable daypack with a rain cover
- Waterproof bags for gear moisture protection in day pack while walking (garbage bags are fine)
- Water bottles or Camelbak system (2-3 liters recommended. Water is accessible from fountains and hotels along the way.
- Blister kit (see blister management), rehydration salts, and any personal medication you use
- Alarm clock and LED head torch/flashlight
- Sunscreen, hat, and high UV sunglasses with retaining cord

## Clothing

 Well worn in boots with ankle support, no sneakers on the trek -You are trekking in alpine terrain

In the Dolomites, you will encounter alpine trek conditions that vary from well-defined treks to gravel to rocky terrain. Unless you are a very experienced trekker or trail runner we highly recommend wearing walking boots with ankle support on the trek to prevent you from any injuries.

## A Note On Your Daypack

Being in high mountains you should prepare for all eventualities with the weather. High altitudes will always be cool and if clouds set in it can be cold & damp. Expect 20-30 degrees Celsius at lower altitudes and at night temperature can fall below 10 degrees Celsius, so mornings can be cold. Better be prepared than sorry. Dress like an onion and take off/put on layers as required and store your gear in your day pack when not needed.

#### Personal Day Gear

- Comfortable day pack with a rain cover
- Water bottle or Camelbak
- Well worn in trekking boots with ankle support
- Preferred trekking cloth shirt, pants, socks, trekking scarf (buff), sun protection hat with cord, sunglasses with retaining cord
- Walking poles
- Trekking gloves for blister protection if you use walking poles

# Recommended Contents Of Your Day Pack

 Blister kit (containing dedicated blister band-aids, moleskin if required)



and will require shoes with a good grip, especially in wet conditions.

- 3 pairs of walking socks
- 3 T-shirts (lightweight quick-drying tech fabric) or long-sleeved Trekking shirts
- 2 pairs of shorts and at least one lightweight pair of pants (for walking in - avoid wearing Jeans!)
- Cycling pants
- Cycling gloves for bike trip and Via Ferrata (optional)

- Rehydration salts (Hydrolite), and any personal medication you use
- Rain gear (jacket and pants) according to the weather forecast
- Preferred snacks, fruit, and nuts, muesli bars, lollies, chocolate
- Fleece or Vest for extra warmth
- Beanie
- Camera (optional)
- Personal spending money

# Supplied Equipment

- Additional First Aid Kit
- Helmet, Harness and Rope for Via Ferrata
- Electric Bike and Helmet

# Suggested items while staying at the Refugio

- Sleeping Bag Liner
- Personal Toiletries
- Personal Medicine
- Sleeping gear
- Flip Flops or light slippers to waer inside refugio
- Ear plugs
- Head torch
- Mobile phone or camera charger (optional)
- Day pack with personal clothing and trekking gear and poles
- Some cash to purchase lunch and drinks
- COVID 19 Vaccination Certificate
- Copy of Travel Insurance
- Trekking or cycling gloves for Via Ferrata (optional)