

The Haute Hut

Ladies, packing light doesn't mean you have to leave things out. These hut trip must-haves put the fun in functional, but still keep the weight down.

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1. Black Diamond Starlet Skis, Swift Boots, Fritschi Diamir Eagle 12 Bindings

The women's specific Starlet flexes according to a lady's build, with a 100-mm waist and semi-rockered tip to make for easy trail breaking on the way up, and effortless turns on the way down. Add the Fritschi bindings to ensure a gliding, natural stride with the performance and safety features of a high-end downhill binding. Pair with the Swift, BD's lightweight women's alpine touring boot, for maximum fun and efficiency.

\$669, \$570, \$470; blackdiamondequipment.com

2. Outdoor Research Transcendent Beanie

Lightweight and compressible, the adorable OR beanie is like a sleeping bag for your noggin' – with stretch stitching for a snug, flattering fit. When you consider the fact that you lose body heat quickest from your head, it's really the most important place to insulate with 650+ fill down. **\$40; outdoorresearch.com**

3. Marmot Plasma 15

The engineering that went into Marmot's new Plasma 15 will impress even the techiest hottie in the hut. Waterproof and breathable, it's the warmest, lightest bag money can buy. Swaddled in 900+ goose fill down, you'll stay cozy in temps as low as 15 degrees. But here's the kicker – the bag weighs less than two pounds. That's half the weight of most bags on the market. **\$469; marmot.com**

4. Rab Xenon Jacket

This puffy compresses to fit inside its chest pocket and weighs only 11 ounces, leaving plenty of room in your pack without compromising warmth or water resistance, thanks to PrimaLoft One insulation. And that's not just lip service – the Xenon was tested in the extreme conditions of the Bugaboo Range in British Columbia. **\$250; us.rab.uk.com**

5. Justin's Nut Butter Packs

Made in Boulder, in eight all-natural flavors ranging

from maple almond to honey peanut to chocolate hazelnut, Justin's irresistible nut butters now come in single-serving squeeze packs. Perfectly packable, stash one in your pocket or bring a 10-pack to share. **\$1; justinsnutbutter.com**

6. Smartwool TML SportKnit Full Zip

If you are packing light you need to be multifunctional. This cozy 100-percent merino piece serves double duty as a mid-layer or comfy sweater for hanging around the wood stove. **\$170; smartwool.com**

7. Clif Family Winery Climber Pouch

The Clif Family Winery, as in Clif Bar, makes all-terrain wine transport easy with the new Climber Pouch. Containing two bottles worth of either a crisp, unoaked Chardonnay, or a juicy Cabernet Sauvignon, the pouch weighs less than two glass bottles and has an 80% lower carbon footprint. **\$17; clifffamilywinery.com •**