
what does it weigh

Posted by JerseyGirl - 08/13/2007 11:24am

On Saturday, a fellow climber and I hiked into the Beech. AS we are both heading out to Colorado in a few days, we weighed the packs. Mine was 25 his was 35.

That was rope, harness, helmet and all biners and other normal gear needed to get one into a tree.

What does your normal setups weigh – Rope, Harness, Helmet and all biners?

What do you use to carry it on hikes?

enjoy the canopy you creep in

jz

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Posted by moss - 08/13/2007 04:00pm

I don't like carrying gear on my back for a very long distance. In this photo I've got gear for 3 on the cart. When I load it up with gear for one it's a nimble cart and has gotten me through the most difficult terrain and nasty bushwacks.

http://farm2.static.flickr.com/1294/1107235020_b4fabd55ac.jpg

Cart photo

That doesn't answer your question but might get you thinking about other ways to move your gear besides on your back.

Several methods used on a mile walk to a tree, the rolling suitcase is not efficient but it was better than nothing.

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And my favorite...

http://farm1.static.flickr.com/218/496283741_9e8c573e71.jpg

Large bicycle panniers work very well, 150' rope, NT harness, helmet, throwlines, lanyard, water etc. etc. all in the panniers:

http://farm1.static.flickr.com/126/407775150_33303c9b08.jpg

-moss

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Posted by JerseyGirl - 08/13/2007 07:30pm

These are great Moss - i have been told to get something like this.

I like the bike setup.

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Posted by moss - 08/13/2007 07:49pm

Yep the bike rig is very good because it's all readily available gear. In the woods I think of it as a rolling mule. If the going gets too rough or I need to go off trail I just get off the bike and just push it along. It's very low impact on the understory and ground cover that way and you can thread the needle through some tight spaces. I put low tread street tires on the

bike to reduce impact even more in the woods.

The bike is my favorite gear transporter for city ninja climbs. Get in and get out, nobody bothered about the guy with the panniers
-moss

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26 lbs.

Posted by Shorty - 08/13/2007 09:41pm

Helmet, rope, tarp, first-aid kit, double-daisy rope, carabiners, water and prusik line.

Moss's post gives me an idea to use my old golf cart. I need to give a try next time I go a little further down the trail.

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Posted by Wildhare - 08/13/2007 09:51pm

I packed for a trip to Pensacola a few months ago. 1 suitcase for me and one for gear. 2 saddles, 2 ropes and other misc equipt...had to repack 2-3 times to get it under 50lbs...but i did it. (then the flight got cancelled and THAT suit case didnt make it to FL...but that is another story) Anyway, right now i haul my gear in a large backpack or wear my saddle and put rope in smaller backpack. I like the pannier idea! Ive seen some 'garden carts' that might have potential as well as some of the modifications that the disc golfers make to their disc bags out of the frame for a golf bag on wheels.

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Posted by JerseyGirl - 08/13/2007 10:23pm

The karts are nice if you have the auto to carry them. I have a miata and a kart just will not fit, BUT an golf bag caddy might in that. I also have a truck and that can carry much more.

The idea of a suitcse with wheels is not great for a trail and that puts you more into the spotlight then a backpack does.

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Posted by Shorty - 08/13/2007 10:52pm

Golf carts fold up pretty small (mine does), and at \$49.00, pretty cheap! They have wide wheels that don't mark up the trail and are light and rugged. (Mine has lasted through chasing a lot of bad golf shots that took me deep into the woods!) I'm going to do a test pack to see if everything will load up.

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yikes...

Posted by NickfromWI - 08/17/2007 03:14pm

I was hauling about 60 pounds of gear last time robert and I went into the sequoias. Granted this was climbing gear, clothes, food for a few days, water, etc.

Typically when I go climbing just for a short day climb i'm carrying less than 30 pounds.

love
nick

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Posted by SRT-Tech - 09/06/2007 06:45am

LOTS!!!! but that is why i have big burly muscles!!! :D

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