

Order details Ordered on February 26, 2018 (1 item)

Mountainsmith Morrison 2 Person 3 Season Tent (Citron Green)

Mountainsmith

Sold by: Amazon.com Services, Inc.

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These come with a rain fly. Make sure you get one for your tent.



Order details Ordered on July 5, 2017 (3 items)

Morrison Tent 2 Footprint.

Mountainsmith

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This tarp/footprint fits under this tent nicely. You can also purchase various sizes and thicknesses at hardware stores. They help protect the bottom of your tent from damage from the ground.



Order details Ordered on December 16, 2014 (5 items)

Coleman Evanston 8 Tent

Coleman

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This tent is roomy but a bit complicated to set up. We use it when the whole family is together. We can fit 5 people, and all our bags inside the tent. I do like that the rainfly sticks out a bit further in the front. It also has a door that actually shuts instead of pulling it away like some entrances.

Coleman:





This is my favorite tent when there are just a few of us. 60 second set up, integrated fly.

5-PERSON INSTANT DOME TENT

★★★★ 3.0 (21)

\$144.99

SIGNATURE INSTANT DOME 7
WITH INTEGRATED FLY

2.7 (11)

\$184,99

Sleeping Pads: from https://scoutmastercg.com/gear-guide-scouts-sleeping-bags-pads/

When the insulation in a sleeping bag is compressed between your body and the ground it loses its ability to insulate, making a sleeping pad an absolute necessity. Smaller, lighter Scouts will do very well with an inexpensive closed-cell foam pad. Bigger, heavier Scouts may want to consider a self-inflating pad if the budget allows.

Closed-Cell Foam

A basic foam pad won't absorb water. While they don't provide much padding, they assure more than adequate insulation.

Self-Inflating Foam

Open-cell foam in a sealed fabric envelope. When the valve on the envelope is opened, the foam expands. Much better padding for comfort and excellent insulation.



From Trish: Below are simple air mattresses. They won't provide insulation from the ground, but are usually sufficient for Houston area weather. The ultralights are great for my kids (who are lightweight) and my husband (who is a back sleeper and could sleep on the floor). I love the Etekcity. It is has a rechargeable (car or outlet) Air Pump, 9" thick with a Carry Bag, 2-Year Warranty. It collapses pretty small for a Queen.



Order details Ordered on February 26, 2018 (2 items)

AuAg Ultralight Sleeping Pad Inflatable Lightweight Sleeping Mat with Air-Support Cells Design for Hiking, Backpacking, Camping, Traveling

AuAg

Sold by: HOOMICS



Order details Ordered on January 16, 2019 (5 items)

Etekcity Upgraded Twin Queen Size Camping Air Mattress Blow Up Bed Inflatable Mattress Raised Airbed with Rechargeable Pump for Guest, Camping, Height

Etekcity

Sold by: Etekcity

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Order details Ordered on April 13, 2018 (9 items)

LIGHT TOUR Ultralight Sleeping Pad With Free Pump Pillow- Lightweight Inflatable Mat for Backpacking, Camping and Hiking - Patent Pending W Chamber De

LIGHT TOUR

Sold by: LIGHT TOUR

This is a 3" self-inflating foam mattress. It wasn't enough for me as a side sleeper with hips, but might be a great option for others.



Order details Ordered on March 8, 2016 (2 items)

Thermarest LuxuryMap Mattress, Italian Plum, Regular

Gear for Scouts

Gear for Troops

Gear for Scouters

DUTDOOR GEAR GUIDE

10 Essentials

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A high-quality sleeping bag's outer shell is usually made of nylon. Less-expensive bags are constructed of polyester many cheap rectangular bags are cotton. Cotton is good for hot-weather car camping or children's sleepovers, but not much else.

RECTANGULAR BAGS



Rectangular bags have more internal air space to heat, are generally colder to sleep in and are best for warm weather.

Most are heavy and bulky making them a poor choice for backpacking.

REGULAR VS. LONG BAGS



Get a long sleeping bag if you are over 6' tall.

MUMMY BAGS



Mummy bags are widest at the shoulders and taper down to a narrower head and foot.

Best for colder weather due to less interior dead air space.

Usually lighter as less material is used than other styles.

We find some nylon sleeping bags slippery on our mattress pads. Makes it hard to stay on the pad while turning over. It will depend on the material of the bag and the mattress.

One benefit of the cotton rectangular bag is you can open them all the way out and use it as extra cushion. We have even zipped two of them together to make one large family sleeping bag.

Some campers like to use cots and will sometimes put a thin sleeping pad on the cot.