You bring all of your own personal equipment. Before the trip, agree your footwear, sleeping bag and technical kit with the guide, taking the season and the actual state of the route into account.

Documents

- Passport
- Air tickets or e-ticket receipts
- Medical insurance including helicopter evacuation
- We recommend keeping digital copies of your documents on your phone and in cloud storage

Personal equipment

- Rucksack of 50-60 litres
- Duffel bag (120-150 litres)
- Sleeping bag with a comfort rating of -20 to -30 °C
- Sleeping mat
- Trekking poles, which must have baskets of at least 70 mm
- Steel or aluminium crampons
- Classic ice axe with a steel pick
- Climbing harness
- 5 karabiners
- Cow’s-tail lanyards
- Ascender
- Descender
- Ice screw on its own karabiner
- Mug, spoon and bowl
- 5 metres of 5-6 mm accessory cord

Clothing and footwear

- Triple mountaineering boots, 8000 m class
- Trekking boots
- Trainers (for the towns)
- A down suit, or a down jacket with a hood plus down trousers
- Waterproof shell: jacket and trousers. The market runs from simple 5,000/5,000 membranes through to Gore-Tex garments
- Fleece top and bottoms
- Base layer, top and bottoms
- Warm mittens
- Spare mittens
- Thick gloves
- Thin gloves
- Bandana (as well as sun protection in the valley, it can keep your throat or face warm in the cold)
- Warm hat
- Warm trekking socks for summit day

Other items

- LED head torch with at least 12 hours of battery life
- Sunglasses

- Ski goggles
- Vacuum flask, 1 litre. Preferably without a push-button lid
- Windproof face mask for the lower face (a scarf will do at a pinch)
- Gaiters
- Sun cream and lip balm
- Chemical hand warmers (not compulsory, but they can be very useful)
- Personal first-aid kit
- Elastic bandage and/or a support brace