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# THE TOOLS OF THE TRIP

## 1 Gelert's Scenic Monocular, £10

Tiny, light 8 x 21mm monocular, perfect for spotting our yurts from the Stickle  
[www.gelert.com](http://www.gelert.com)

## 2 Vango's Adventure Sleeping Mat, £19

Super comfortable mat that comes in a smaller size and a huge double too, and in a 5cm thickness  
[www.vango.co.uk](http://www.vango.co.uk)

## 3 Vango's Chair Kit, £18

A few straps and a double ended pocket cleverly turn a sleeping mat into a surprisingly comfy chair  
[www.vango.co.uk](http://www.vango.co.uk)

## 4 Lifeventure's Dakar 30

**Daysack, £45** Deceptively spacious day bag with some really clever secret pockets and a shaped back panel, all made with 75% recycled materials  
[www.lifeventure.co.uk](http://www.lifeventure.co.uk)

## 5 Gelert's Lensatic Compass, £4

With a magnifying glass and a flip-out hairline - much too clever for us  
[www.gelert.com](http://www.gelert.com)

## 6 Coleman's Fold 'N Go

**Propane Stove, £70** A fancy red enamel camping stove that folds out to reveal two burners, and then clips away neatly  
[www.coleman.eu](http://www.coleman.eu)

## 7 Finisterre's Coho sweatshirt, £60

A cosy 100 per cent lofted merino sweater that even keeps you warm if you get wet in it - lucky!  
[www.finisterreuk.com](http://www.finisterreuk.com)

## 8 Henri Lloyd's Flare Hood

**sweater, £75** Insulating jumper with Thermal Pro technology, although I mostly like it because it looks cool  
[www.henrilloyd.com](http://www.henrilloyd.com)

## 9 Solar Technology's Globe Trotter, £50

A solar cell that charges phones, iPods and USB, with clips and straps that attach it to anything - we stuck it on the yurt and kayak  
[www.solartechnology.co.uk](http://www.solartechnology.co.uk)

## 10 Osprey's Exos 46 backpack, £130

Super tech backpack with full suspension and an aluminium frame. Way more hardcore than we were!  
[www.ospreypacks.com](http://www.ospreypacks.com)

## 11 Lightwave's G1 ioniX tent, £280

Light but substantial three poled tent - I was in it and I was happy in the gales!  
[www.lightwave.uk.com](http://www.lightwave.uk.com)

## 12 The North Face's Tadpole 23, £180

A classic two-person tent with a long front vestibule, ideal for Camilla's wet kit. The camera gear sleeps inside  
[www2.thenorthface.com](http://www2.thenorthface.com)

## 13 Coleman's Bedrock 2 tent, £70

Wedge-shaped lightweight two-person tent, with doors and vestibules on both sides, as slept in by Chris (and the big swan?). Send us a letter and win one!  
[www.coleman.eu](http://www.coleman.eu)

## 14 Gelert's Everest 2 tent, £150

A mere 2kg, and plenty of space for Sammy in his child's sleeping bag  
[www.gelert.com](http://www.gelert.com)



## 15 Palm's Apex Long Sleeve

**Paddle Jacket, £145** Semi-dry jacket with a neoprene neck and latex wrists  
[www.palmequipmenteurope.com](http://www.palmequipmenteurope.com)

sandals, light and secure even when full of the Brathay river  
[www.keenfootwear.com](http://www.keenfootwear.com)

## 16 Palm's Sidewinder Jacket, £200

The driest of the dry - it's kind of a shame I didn't fall in

**20 Pyranha's Angry Fish Spraydeck, £75** My lovely rubber skirt has Kevlar reinforcement in the places that wear quickly  
[www.pyranha.com](http://www.pyranha.com)

## 17 Palm's Amaris Pants, £140

These were so comfortable, with attached feet and a serious latex waistband. Chris was right, I didn't need to take jeans

**21 Pyranha's Connect 30 Fusion kayak, £699** If you don't mind about the swanky outfitting, you can also get a lower-spec Fusion for £499

## 18 Palm's Axis Extrem PFD, £100

That's a Personal Floatation Device to the rest of us, and decades away from the miserable straightjackets of yore

**22 Mini Cooper D Clubman, £18,250** OK, so despite the generous boot, we may not manage to get the kayak in... but Minis roofs are actually longer than many other cars, so with a roofrack, it's a perfect kayaker's ride  
[www.mini.co.uk](http://www.mini.co.uk)

## 19 Keen's Whisper sandals, £56

Super comfortable watersports

