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Readers reporters share their Summer Market wish list



AFTER A WEEK in outdoor gear heaven, we sent our two Backpacker Reader Reporters (see their introductions on in our Day 1 issue) out on the show floor to tell us what they would buy with a virtual \$1,000 in hand.

Camping upgrade

With \$1,000, the first thing I would buy is the Big Agnes Fly Creek Platinum one-person tent. It would take up half of my budget at \$500, but it's worth every dollar. I've used previous versions of this model on various long distance thru-hikes and their performance and durability is unbeatable. This new version weighs a mere 1 pound, 6 ounces. I would never know I was carrying a tent.

Next would be the Jetboil MiniMo. It cost \$130 and comes in at a weight of 14 ounces. It's shorter and wider than the predecessor, which makes it easier to eat from, while maintaining the same capacity. Jetboil also has upgraded its regulators on the burner to actually sauté vegetables, while keeping the fast boiling capability.

My final piece of gear would be the Osprey Exos 58 Pack. It's a bargain at \$230 for the weight class it's in. Weighing in at 2 pounds, 6 ounces makes it one of the lightest packs of its capacity. Another element that sets it apart is the newly designed shoulder straps (more cushion). The Exos 58 rides as comfortable as bigger packs that weigh twice as much.

I'm ready to hike now!

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