



What to Expect

Reconnecting people with the outdoors (and each other). That's the main goal of a Guineafowl Adventure Company guided hike. While each GAC hike varies slightly depending on the group, there are a few common threads.

Round-trip transportation

Bridging the gap means providing reliable transportation from the Greater Boston area to the trailhead. Our Guineafowl guides work with hikers to determine a pick up and drop off location.

Experienced guides

Every Guineafowl guide, in addition to the real-life experience that comes with thousands of miles hiked, has CPR and First Aid certifications as well as Wilderness First Aid, and in certain cases Wilderness First Responder certificates.

The right gear, packed for you

Guineafowl provides day-packs for men, women, and children, all pre-packed with water and snacks, as well as other basic safety gear such as hiking poles, headlamp, resources for emergency "potty" breaks if necessary, and seasonal items like bug spray, sunscreen, microspikes, and snowshoes. Of course, if hikers have a favorite trail snack, they're welcome to pack their own.

A journey & a destination

We can't guarantee the temperature will be perfect, or the view won't be obstructed by clouds. But we believe any hour in nature is time well spent.

How to Prepare

1. **Check (and double check) the weather.** Forecasts in the mountains change in mere minutes. Check the forecast the night before, then check it again before you leave home. Grab an extra layer or jacket just in case.
2. **Choose the right clothes.** Light layers, taller socks, a hat, and a water-resistant shell are our go-to options. Our guides are available to offer suggestions or answer questions, but everyone's tolerance for temperature and precipitation is different.
3. **Wear sturdy shoes, and bring an extra pair for the drive to and from.** Good trail shoes are non-negotiable—plan to wear well-fitted, durable soled shoes. Trust us, comfortable shoes will make the day far more enjoyable.
4. **Pack a positive attitude.** Hiking in the White Mountains isn't always easy, but it's worth the effort. If hikers are prepared with a can-do mindset, every hike is an unforgettable adventure.

Explore the White Mountains, Together



Our mission: to bridge the gap between Bostonians, New Englanders, and the White Mountains—reconnecting people with the outdoors.

FAQs

Where will I get picked up and dropped off?

Guinea fowl will make two designated stops depending on where its clients are located. We will make a stop in Greater Downtown Boston and a stop in one of the northern suburbs directly off I-93 or I-95 depending on the hike destination. If you are a group and you prefer a specific location close to your group, we can prepare for this ahead of time.

What do I wear?

The most important thing to have with you is a pair of hiking boots or trail running shoes (or a pair of athletic sneakers with reasonable tread). You should review the weather and dress accordingly, based on your own comfort. It is generally a good idea to carry or wear layers because you will get warm while hiking (even in colder temperatures). A water-resistant or waterproof shell layer is always good to carry, and is generally lightweight.

Do you provide lunch and/or drinks other than water in the hydration bladder?

We generally do not have the ability to provide a full lunch option, however, we do provide individually wrapped snacks to keep you full of energy during your hike. If you prefer to bring specific foods or drinks along with you, we will have a large hard cooler with ice that you can store these items in for the trip. On hikes that include access to one of the AMC Huts, baked goods, and other assorted food are also available for purchase.

What are my guide's qualifications?

Other than thousands of miles hiked and warm, caring personalities, guides all have CPR and First Aid certifications as well as Wilderness First Aid, and in certain cases Wilderness First Responder certificates.

What is the cancellation policy?

Guinea fowl guides hikes rain or shine, unless the weather is dangerously inclement. If we need to cancel our trip, we will let you know within 24 hours of your pick-up, and you can choose to refund your trip or reschedule to another date where the same or a similar hike is offered. If you personally do not want to hike in the rain, (for example) and want to cancel based on a dreary forecast, you can reschedule to another day, but a refund will only be issued in the event of dangerous conditions.

For answers to other questions, see the FAQ page on our website: www.guineafowladventure.com/faq

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