**Duke of Buccleuch’s Hunt Pony Club Camp – Summer 2025**

**KIT LIST**

**Key:**

Day/Residential

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Summer Camp is a great experience for riders and their ponies but for parents (especially when it’s your first time attending camp) it can also be stressful/daunting to prepare for. We have developed a list to help with preparations, it is not exhaustive but from experience it is a good guide to what your riders/ponies will need. Obviously, day campers will be able to go home and re-set every evening, but the older residential campers will need to be a little more organised!!

* Horse/Pony Passport (vaccinations up to date in line with current regulations).
* A large storage Box/trunk is useful to keep all your horse/rider items neat and safe in the allocated tack room area.

**Rider Food**

* Day Campers are expected to bring their own lunch/drinks/snacks to sustain them through the day.
* Senior Camp attendees will have food provided included within the cost of the Camp (day attendees will be provided lunch). Cutlery & crockery is provided.
* Junior & Senior Camp will conclude with a BBQ lunch on the final day.

**Riding Clothing**

Riders should be smartly dressed for lessons (PC or plain muted colour polo shirt, PC Jumper and cream/navy/black jodphurs). However, camp with your horse/pony can involve some dirty work, so make sure you’re packed up with plenty of clothes for yard duties as well!

* Riding boots (chaps if required)
* Riding hat (skull cap required for Cross Country)
* Hat silk/cover
* Body protector (2018 if taking part in Cross Country)
* Pony Club Jumper and T-Shirt
* Cream/Navy/Black Jodphurs
* Riding gloves
* Whip
* Yard boots/wellington boots
* Waterproofs (if the weather is bad!)
* Riding socks
* Everyday jodhpurs
* Everyday riding tops/base layers
* Senior Campers require Light coloured breeches/jodhpurs for final day plus:
* Show jacket / Show shirt / Tie (pony club) / Badge (pony club)
* A spare change of clothes for day campers is a good idea too…we have had incidents on Junior Camp where children have managed to soak themselves (by falling in the pond on the Hound Walk at lunchtime!)

**Saddlery**

Saddlery is probably the most important aspect when packing for camp (apart from the pony/horse itself!). You will need:

* Saddle (do you have more than one for each discipline?)
* Bridle (remember your bits if you change them for each discipline!)
* Girth
* Stirrups & leathers (a spare set is always useful!)
* Studs (depending on ground/if you use them)
* Horse boots (brushing boots, tendon boots, fetlock boots, overreach boots)
* Headcollar & lead rope
* Rugs (stable rugs, fly rugs, cooling sheet if required)
* Travel boots & travel accessories (getting to and from camp if required)
* Additional leatherwork (martingales, neck straps or breastplates)
* Saddle pads (plenty to swap when they get sweaty or dirty)
* Ear bonnets/fly hoods (if you use them)

**Grooming**

A well turned out horse/pony is a must at camp. We recommend packing:

* Your regular grooming kit
* Sponge and sweat scraper
* Coat shine spray
* Fly repellent
* Shampoos
* First aid kit (horse and rider)

**Tack Cleaning**

Just like grooming, tack and turnout is another aspect of Pony Club camp that is very important! Remember to pack your tack cleaning kit to ensure you can turn out in spotless tack.

* Saddle soap/leather cleaner
* Wash bowl and sponge
* Leather oil
* Quick use wipes

**Stable**

The ‘stable’ checklist is required if you’re staying over (boarding) – some camps are just run through the day, but if you and your horse are boarding you will need to consider some of your yard and stable equipment. As these items are large and bulky, you could team up with a friend and share these bits – this will take up less room on your camping trip!

* Trug bucket for mucking out
* Fork or shovel
* Sweeping brush/broom
* Poop scoop
* Buckets (feed, water and washing bucket for your horse)
* Haynets
* **Junior Camp** attendees are required to bring their own hay for their ponies – please bring multiple filled nets to make sure they have enough throughout the day
* **Snr Camp** – Hay & Straw will be provided (if your pony requires specialist bedding then you must provide your own)
* Hard feed (particularly important for residential Senior Camp ponies)
* Feed storage containers
* Plenty of pony treats

**Camping Kit**

If you’re staying over, you will need to remember your camping kit. Senior camp will be able to pitch their tents in an allocated space.

* Tent
* Sleeping bag/ camp bed or roll mat
* Extra blankets
* Pillows
* Toiletries
* Towel
* Nightwear
* Torch/flash light
* Camp footwear
* Snacks!