

## What to Expect

### What to wear

We recommend comfortable clothing that allows you to move freely. Functionality and flexibility is paramount to your comfort throughout the day. Layering is always a good idea. Wear shorts or long pants, depending on the time of year, and bring along a wind breaker and a hat for cooler days. Heavy hiking boots are not necessary, but wear comfortable shoes that will allow you to scramble over rocky terrain. Sneakers or trail shoes are best, and avoid open shoes and sandals. Be prepared for any type of weather, as sunny winter days can become surprisingly warm, and hot summer days can become cool.

### What to bring

Bring a lunch, and lots of water or sports drinks, at least 2 quarts, per person, per day. Sunscreen, insect repellent, and a hat is also a good idea. Bring along a small to medium sized backpack to carry it all in.

### What to expect

We usually meet at 8:30am(weekends) or 9:00am(weekdays) inside Rock and Snow, 44 Main Street, New Paltz, NY 12561. There is a map on the directions page of our website. We get geared up at the shop and then head to the cliffs. Climbing involves a short approach hike to the climbing area. We will climb until about 4 or 5 PM.

### Cancellation policy

Weather forecasts are rarely 100% accurate. Cancellations due to inclement weather will be determined by Mountain Skills the day prior to a scheduled trip. If we must cancel, we will work to reschedule you at your convenience.

**Cancellations are accepted up to 8 days in advance for a full credit or refund. Cancellations 7 to 4 days before your trip will be charged with a reschedule date arranged as per your availability. No-shows and cancellations 3 days or less prior to the trip are charged the full 100% fee.**

**Groups of 5 or more require a 50% deposit which will NOT be refunded in the event of a cancellation eight days or less prior to the scheduled trip. The deposit and final payment is contingent on the INITIAL head count of the group regardless of whether persons in your party ultimately decide not to participate.**

*This policy provides our guides with a measure of job security; last minute cancellations impede our ability to schedule others in your place. We appreciate your understanding.*

