

2025-26

Winter Family Gear Guide



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The Best Family Winter Gear

GREAT GEAR TO MAKE YOUR OUTDOOR ADVENTURES EASIER

Welcome to the 2025-26 Winter Family Gear Guide. Here, you'll find a hand-curated selection of the best winter gear to keep your family warm, comfortable, and ready for whatever winter adventures you have planned.

Winter with kids can be challenging, but we've learned that the right gear makes all the difference. Quality winter gear doesn't just keep everyone warmer; it extends outdoor time, reduces meltdowns, and turns potentially miserable experiences into memories you'll actually want to repeat.

Whether you're gearing up for backyard snow days, daily walks to school in freezing temperatures, sledding adventures, skiing, or even winter camping, having gear you can trust means less time wrestling with zippers and more time actually enjoying winter as a family.

Everything featured in this guide has been tested through by our family with multiple kids, various ages, and plenty of wet and cold adventures. These are the products that have genuinely made our family's winter experiences better, and we hope they do the same for you. We've also included discount codes wherever possible to help make outfitting the whole family a little easier on the wallet.

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*Happy Adventures,
♥ Jessica*

Reima Snowsuits

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Reima snowsuits are one of our all-time favorites for keeping kids warm and dry during winter play. These high-quality suits deliver serious warmth with practical features like long zippers for quick changes, silicone boot loops, and adjustable wrist closures that seal out snow during all that rolling and tumbling. If you have a kid who loves to romp around in the snow or gets extra cold, Reima snowsuits are an excellent choice.

Reima Stavanger

- 12,000 Waterproof rating
- Dirt repellent material (yes, really)
- Incredibly durable fabric
- Warm down to -5F
- Detachable hood and removable fur trim
- Silicone foot loops to keep legs down



Reima Kipina

- Incredibly warm down to -20F
- Reinforced lower legs and seat
- 10,000 Waterproof Rating
- Windproof
- Adjustable Waist
- Silicone Boot Cuffs



What we personally love: We're heading into our fifth winter with Reima snowsuits and love them so much. The Stavanger is so easy to get on and off, and is made of incredibly durable fabric that repels both dirt and water. For kids who need extra warmth, the Kipina is rated to -20°F and perfect for really cold days, plus it comes in fun patterns kids will love wearing.

Reima Snow Boots

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Reima snow boots are our top pick for keeping kids' feet warm and dry. They're the best quality boots we've found, and our kids are incredibly hard on footwear!

These boots are all fully waterproof with serious insulation, yet comfortable enough to wear all day adventuring or at school, and the easy-on design with wide openings means kids can get them on independently. The non-slip rubber soles provide excellent traction on ice, and these boots are built to last multiple seasons even with heavy daily use.

Reima Nefar

- Perfect for toddlers or younger kids
- Size 4.5 toddler - 3.5 big kids
- Outsole is made of thermoplastic rubber for great protection from slush
- Warm to -10F
- Warm lining
- Easy to pull on and off



Reima Quicker

- Size 11 kids to 6.5 big kid
- Perfect for active kids
- Warm to -5
- Excellent traction
- Wool blend lining for extra warmth
- Fully waterproof lowers



What we personally love: The Quicker is perfect for active kids who need an all-day boot with a secure, comfortable fit that works for everything from snowshoeing to playground running. The Nefar is ideal for younger kids with its easy on/off design and fully waterproof rubber bottom.

Akova Element Kids Coat

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The Akova Element Jacket is the warmest kids' jacket Akova makes with 150g of insulation, perfect for cold climates or kids who get cold easily and versatile enough for school or the ski hill.

What really sets this coat apart is the Adjust-A-Fit sleeve system that extends and shortens, allowing you to use the coat for multiple years and pass it down while preserving the adjustability — no other brand has anything like this.



- Helmet compatible and adjustable hood
- Built in Powder Skirt
- Fleece lined hand pockets
- Internal pockets for storage and SNACKS
- 10k/10k waterproof and breathability rating
- Drop back hem for extra snow protection in back
- Critically Taped Seams

Need something more waterproof? Grab the Akova Elevated Shell with 20K Waterproofing



What we personally love: Our kids have been wearing Akova outerwear for 6 seasons and we have been constantly impressed by the quality. It's the most waterproof kids outerwear we've found and it's incredibly durable. Akova is a direct-to-consumer brand, so this isn't a brand that you'll find in stores. Their pricing model allows them to offer significantly higher quality gear at prices similar to what you'll see average gear selling for in retail shops.

Akova Elevated Convertible Bibs/Snow Pants

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Snow pants are the most critical piece of gear for keeping kids dry. They're where water seeps in most and they take a lot of abuse, so I recommend investing in the best you can get.

Adjust-A-Fit System



The Akova Elevated snow pants have a 20K/20K waterproof and breathability rating (the highest-end protection available), which means kids stay genuinely dry and comfortable during long days of play without overheating. These pants are loaded with thoughtful features designed for real kids who need gear that lasts multiple seasons.

- 20K/20K waterproof and breathability rating
- Convertible bib/pant design
- Adjust-A-Fit leg system
- Built to pass down
- Exceptional durability



What we personally love: Akovas convertible bibs/snow pants are simply amazing. They really check all the boxes with exceptional waterproofing and breathability, adjustable leg length, and a top that can zip on or off so they can function as both a snow pant and a bib (perfect for passing down). Best of all, the durability is unmatched -we have one pair that's got 6 seasons of wear and they're still working great!

Chopper Mill Mittens

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The Chopper Mill mittens have solved every single frustration we've had with kids' winter mittens—they're warm, they stay dry, they don't fall off, and they keep snow out. The combination of waterproof leather, a waterproof insert, and the 3M Thinsulate lining keeps kids warm and dry at the same time.



Chopper Mills' re/PAIR program will replace a mitten when one inevitably goes missing and you get a free replacement shipped to you, no questions asked.



- Longer cuffs fit over sleeves
- Cinchable arm cuff
- Adjustable wrist strap
- Waterproof leather
- Super warm
- Personalized leather name patch



What we personally love: I'm not exaggerating when I say these are the best kids' mittens we've ever used. If I were to invent a mitten that had every feature I could ever want, I would make these exact mittens. They are so amazing. After years of dealing with cold hands both from my kids and myself, these mittens are my very favorite.

Iksplor Merino Wool Base Layers

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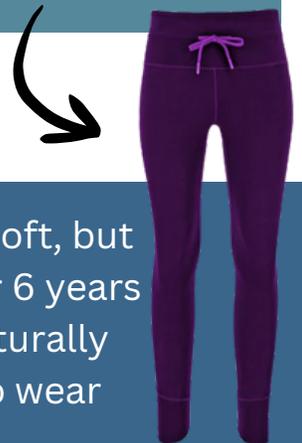
Every single one of my kids reaches for Iksplor merino wool base layers constantly. They're the softest, most versatile pieces in our winter wardrobe. Made from 100% superfine merino wool, they're never itchy (even my child with fabric sensitivities wears them comfortably all day), and they're perfect for layering without bulk.

The temperature-regulating properties mean they work year-round to keep kids warm in winter and cool when active, so my kids even wear them biking in summer. Whether we're skiing, camping, or just layering up for cold mornings at school, these are always our first choice.



- Perfect for layering
- Regulates body temperatures in both cold and hot
- Comfortable flat-lock seams
- Extra length in the arms and legs + thumb loops
- Naturally odor resistant
- Machine washable
- Sized for infants to adults

Ladies- make sure to also check out Iksplor's merino leggings for women. They're my all time favorite!



What we personally love: Iksplor merino wool is not only incredibly soft, but it lasts really long. Our kids have been wearing Iksplor base layers for 6 years and they're our most grabbed for layering piece. Merino wool is naturally odor resistant, just in case you love them so much that you want to wear them around the clock (like we often do).

TOBIQ Organization Duffle Bags

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- Easy to sort gear by person or by gear type
- Can be carried as a duffel or backpack with interchangeable straps
- Perfect carry-on size for traveling
- Durable fabric that wipes clean easily and is stain resistant
- Made from recycled materials



What we Personally Love: This 60L Tobiq duffel solves the stress of coordinating winter gear with four main compartments that keep everything organized so even kids know where things go. Made from tough, machine-washable recycled CORDURA fabric, it handles whatever you throw at it.



Aurora Heat Hand & Foot Warmers

Reusable, premium beaver fur warmers for everlasting warmth

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- Uses your own body heat to keep you comfortably warm
- Keeps hands at the perfect comfortable temperature all day
- Super soft
- Long lasting (we've had ours 4 years and they look new)
- Pack down small so they don't add bulk



What we personally love: These reusable hand warmers are made from beaver fur, an incredible natural insulator that keeps your hands or feet at just the right temperature all day and lasts over 10 years. We use them inside our mittens on really cold days and inside our socks when our feet need extra warmth. They add a layer of insulation that really works.



NoSo Gear Patches



- Peel-and-stick application
- No sewing required
- Repairs multiple gear types
- Extends gear lifespan
- Keeps gear out of landfills
- Perfect for patching torn puffy coats
- Merino wool patches to repair base layers

What we Personally Love: NoSo patches are peel-and-stick repairs that make fixing torn jackets, ripped backpacks, or worn-out tents incredibly easy with no sewing required. The philosophy is simple: the most sustainable product is the one that lasts.

Before



After



Hedgehog Dryer



- Consolidated drying space
- Lots of drying speeds, temps, and noise level adjustments
- Naturally kills odors with Ionic technology
- Perfect for families

What we personally love: The Hedgehog dryer is a total game-changer — what used to take 12-16 hours draped over heat vents now dries in under an hour, handling four pairs of boots or mittens at once. We use it year-round for everything from winter gear to sweaty running shoes, and with silent mode, tornado mode, and odor-fighting ionic technology, it's become essential in our home!



Ski Squadron Pack



What we personally love:
One of the hardest parts of skiing with kids is just getting from the car to the lift and back. The Ski Squadron Pack takes so much of that stress away, by allowing parents an easy way to carry multiple skis and extra gear too!



Nikwax Waterproofing



- Techwash is as easy to use as regular laundry detergent
- TX direct is available in a wash in or spray on version
- Restores fabric breathability
- Helps gear last longer

What we Personally Love: Waterproof gear needs special care since regular detergent damages the protective coating, and when your jacket gets dirty, it stops repelling water like it should. Nikwax Tech Wash cleans your gear without stripping away its waterproofing, and TX Direct refreshes that water-repellent finish so it performs like new again.

Roces Ski Boots



- Adjustable sizing (multiple sizes in one boot)
- Same price as regular kids' ski boots
- Soft, warm liner
- Quick size adjustments
- Perfect for learning to ski

What we Personally Love: We've been using Roces adjustable ski boots for 14 years – all five of our kids learned to ski in them, and they're still our top recommendation. They adjust through multiple sizes as kids grow, cost the same as regular boots but give you three to four sizes in one, and are easy enough for kids to get on and off themselves.



Kids Crampons

What we personally love: You don't have to stop hiking just because it's winter! These kids' crampons keep kids safe and stable on icy trails with 11 steel spikes that provide serious grip without being overly aggressive. They're easy to put on and take off, stretch to fit multiple sizes as kids grow, and the durable construction holds up to heavy use. They even come with a storage pouch so you can toss them in your pack when you don't need them.



Tip: The spikes on the bottom are sharp enough to cut through fabric, so kids need to remember to be careful and not kick anyone while wearing them. I find that it's best to put them on right before we start hiking.

Gravity Grabber Ski Storage Rack



The Gravity Grabber is incredibly easy to use — skis slide in from the bottom, arms swivel up, and gravity locks them securely with anti-slip pads that prevent falls even when bumped. The interlocking corners let you customize the rack height for each person in your family.

It took less than 30 minutes for my husband and I to install 8 of these in our garage! It's a simple product that will completely change how you store your skis or boards.



Stanley 3L Adventure Crock



- 12-hour heat retention
- 3L capacity for big families
- Secure locking clamps prevent spills
- Legendary Stanley durability
- Healthier and more affordable than eating out

What we personally love: The Stanley 3L crock is our winter essential that keeps food piping hot for 12 hours, whether we're tailgating, skiing, or having a cool-weather picnic. It's the best way to bring real, hot meals during the colder months instead of settling for cold sandwiches.