

Marojejy National Park, Madagascar



Suggested Packing List

- Raingear (all clothes and equipment in backpacks should be well enclosed in plastic bags)
- Sturdy hiking shoes/boots (sturdy sandals might be okay in the dry season, but when it's wet the leeches can be a problem)
- Cool, lightweight clothes for hiking during day
- Warmer clothes for evenings (long sleeves and long pants are also good for mosquito protection)
- Hat or cap
- Sunscreen
- Mosquito repellent
- Toiletries and small towel
- Toilet paper
- Basic first aid supplies
- Tent, foam pad and lightweight sleeping bag or liner (beds, sheets and blankets are provided in cabins, but they might not be so clean)
- Torch/flashlight or headlamp
- Binoculars
- Camera
- 1-2 liters water (good water is available at all three camps; as everywhere these days, though, it is wise to treat it with purification tablets or filter or boil it before drinking)

Suggested Food List

This list will provide a fairly typical Malagasy menu for two visitors and one guide for a three-day trip. Use it as a guide only – people's appetites and tastes differ, and food availability varies according to season. It is useful to prepare a meal plan to give to the cook ahead of time so s/he has an idea of what s/he will be cooking, how much, and when.

| English | Français | Malagasy | Amount needed | Where to buy |
|----------------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Rice | Riz | Vary | 15 kapoaka (cups) | Street |
| Bread | Pain | Mofo dupain | 9 baguettes | ,, |
| Beans | Haricots | Tsaramaso | 3–4 kapoaka (cups) | Market |
| Meat | Viande | Henan'omby | 1 kg | ,, |
| Carrots | Carottes | Karoty | 1 kg | ,, |
| Potatoes | Pommes de terre | Pomdetera | 1 kg | ,, |
| Cucumbers | Concombres | Kokombra | 2–3 | ,, |
| Onions | Oignons | Tongolo | ½ kg | ,, |
| Green vegetables | Légumes | Anana | ? | ,, |
| Fruit (in season) | Fruit (en saison) | Voankazo | ? | ,, |
| Tomato sauce | Sauce tomate | Sauce tomate | 1 can | Shops |
| Canned sardines | Boite de sardines | Boatin'ny sardine | 2–4 cans | ,, |
| Vegetable oil | Huile de table | Menaka sakafo | ¼ liter | ,, |
| Salt and pepper | Sel et poivre | Sira sy dipoavatra | 1 sachet | ,, |
| Spaghetti/pasta | Spaghetti/pâtes | Spaghetti / pâtes | ? | ,, |
| Coffee or tea | Café ou thé | Kafe na dite | ? | ,, |
| Powdered/canned milk | Lait en poudre/en | Vovoka ronono/ | ? | ** |
| | boite | ronono ny boaty | | |
| Sugar or honey | Sucre or miel | Siramamy na tantely | ? | ** |