

SEVEN STARS: WHAT TO BRING

WARNING: THERE IS NO WATER AT SEVEN STARS. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO STAY HYDRATED BECAUSE THERE IS NO SHADE AT THE SITE.

It is recommended that you take at least 2 cups of water per one hour fossil hunting per person, though on hotter days it is a good idea to take more.

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Rock hammers are useful for prying rock layers and hammering chisels (though the chisel end of the hammer itself is not designed for repeated impact). A rock hammer can last a lifetime.

Because Seven Stars is not close to many places where food is available, bringing food is a necessity, especially if you are driving from far away. The vehicle is often the coolest place on the site, as the sun is unobstructed everywhere else, so it is best if food is kept there.

With little to no shade, hats and sunscreen are a must. Seven Stars is in full sun almost the entire day, with no quality shade close by.

Because kneeling on rocks is uncomfortable and potentially hazardous, always wear long pants to protect your skin.

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Differently sized chisels are useful for getting fossils out of large rocks and splitting rock layers. If you don't have any, flathead screwdrivers work well, too.

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If you are taking pictures of fossils in the field, which is recommended, always include a universal scale indicator, such as a ruler with centimeters marked.

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Shoeboxes are ideal for collecting fossils in and storing them long-term. Make sure you include information about where you found the fossils within each box!

