The Camping Detective Checklist:

Camping shelter/sleeping items:

__ tent with tent footprint
__ sleeping bag
__ sleeping pad
__ pillow (or a rolled up towel)

Important Items that remain in the car:

__ toolbox
__ first-aid kit
__ road maps
__ topographical maps
__ note pad & pen
__ flashlight
__ duct tape
__ tow strap
__ jumper cables
__ sunglasses
__ gloves
__ wool/horse blanket
__ mobile phone car charger
__ flashlight charger
__ frisbee
__ extra car key?

Items in my gear bag:

__ gear bag (Northface)
__ flashlight & headband
__ leatherman tool
__ compass
__ sunscreen
__ ear plugs
__ heat packs
__ insect repellent
__ raincoat/poncho & pants
__ sweatshirt or fleece jacket
__ pants (jeans/cargo)
__ wool hat (for cooler climates)
__ baseball cap or brimmed hat
__ T-shirts
__ shorts
__ underwear
__ thermal underwear (cooler climates)
__ extra socks
__ swim suit
__ towel (MSR)
__ Ibuprofen/aspirin
__ paper towel in zip-lock bag
__ first-aid kit (small)
__ extra bag
__ toilet paper in zip-lock bag

Personal hygiene stuff:

__ toiletry bag
__ tooth brush
__ tooth paste
__ sunscreen
__ hand lotion
__ dental floss
__ sewing needles
__ lighter
__ biodegradable soap
__ biodegradable shampoo
__ comb/brush (if needed)
__ nail clippers
__ scissors
__ razor & shave lotion/gel
__ swiss army knife
__ magnifying glass
__ eye drops for allergies
__ lip balm with SPF
__ hydrocortisone for bug bites
__ medications (personal)

Camping Box #1 Cooking & Dining:

__ stove (gas or propane)
__ extra fuel (gas or propane)
__ lantern (gas or propane)
__ extra mantles for lantern
__ skillet (with lid)
__ mess kit (2 pots with lid)
__ pot holders
__ utensils: spoons, knives & forks
__ sharp cooking knives
__ spatula and tongs
__ plates (dinner)
__ bowls
__ cups
__ beverage holders
__ cutting board
__ hatchet (small ax)
__ coffee/espresso maker
__ aluminum foil
__ corkscrew/bottle opener
__ can opener
__ flyswatter
__ lighter/matches
__ biodegradable dish soap
__ scouring pad
__ dish towel
__ tablecloth
__ salt/pepper/sugar/spices
__ zip-lock bags
__ trash bags
__ olive/cooking oil

Camping Box #2 for longer trips and free camping:

__ grill (propane or charcoal)
__ extra propane bottle
__ dish pan
__ shovel
__ small wood saw
__ sun shower
__ rope
__ bungy cords (4)

Other important items you may need:

__ cooler (for food & beverages)
__ water canister (mine is 7 gallons)
__ roll up camping table
__ camping chairs
__ canopy for sun/rain protection
__ insect repellent/mosquito coils

Extra stuff I take but you might not:

__ camera
__ binoculars
__ fishing/fly rod
__ mobile phone

Stuff I don't take but you might like to:

__ games, cards
__ reading material
__ portable water filter
__ whistle
__ toys
__ candles
__ GPS unit

Items we may have missed:

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