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Scrambling/Climbing Daypacks

If you need a pack for high alpine day hiking or need a pack to haul up the climbing route with you, you are going to want to find a durable, narrow profile pack. Avoid packs with side pockets since you need the pack to be sleek so it won't get in the way of your arms and legs when scrambling. If you need to haul a rope and other specialized equipment you are probably going to need a pack larger than 35 liters and an internal frame pack for more support.



Recommended Climbing Daypacks:

* Osprey Atmos 35





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Here are some of our favorite daypack backpacks:

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Hiking Daypacks

When choosing a daypack for hiking you are going to want to find a pack that has enough room for all your gear and has ample side pockets and compartments to keep you organized. If you plan on doing a lot of bushwalking or occasional scrambling you will want a pack that is narrower so you don't get hung up by a bulky pack.

One of the best improvements in today's packs is that some come equipped with a built in hydration system. Keep in mind that daypacks aren't designed to carry much more than 20 pounds and your shoulders will be carrying most of the weight. Look for a daypack that has a chest strap or hip belt to help distribute the weight more and look for padded shoulder straps and a breathable back panel for added comfort.

