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The Best Hiking Backpacks of 2022

From evening hikes to extended treks, you need a reliable backpack to keep your gear dry and organized that feels comfortable covering long miles

Best Backpacking Backpacks: ALPS Nomad RT 75



A 75L pack certainly isn't small, which is why I think this ALPS Mountaineering rolltop pack is a great all-purpose backpacking pack. The rolltop feature allows the pack to shrink down to 65L or expand to 85L, and has an adjustable torso, as well as a removable waist strap (though I wouldn't recommend it). It has an easy-access outer pocket, with two removable waist pockets (I have one attached to the top of my pack to act as a mini brain). One advantage of this pack is its adjustable load capacity, but it does have less pockets than a pack like the Aether/Ariel. I am a huge fan of the rolltop, personally, and don't find it inconvenient to access my gear due to the front zippers that lead to the main compartment.