

Wool = Warmth!



It's low-tech, but it works: **Wear wool for warmth!**

Pictured above are wool socks, a wool watch cap, and a wool scarf. All of them got soaked in a 40°F rain and 30 mph wind in Skagway, Alaska. Though soaking wet, they kept their wearer warm!

There are many miracle fabrics that make similar claims. **Wool works!**

This is not the case with cotton. Cotton is a good fabric for hot summer days. If you're trying to stay warm, cotton doesn't help you. For cotton, wet = cold!

When buying wool, you may have trouble finding something 100 percent wool. If so, get the largest percentage of wool possible. It's worth it to pay extra.

The military used woolen blankets for years. Some of these are available surplus. They are a welcome addition to disaster preparations.

Don't expect to clean wool by putting it into hot water in your washing machine. It will shrink drastically. Check out a cleaning product called "Woolite." Using it will prevent your woolen garments from shrinking from cleaning them incorrectly.