

GEARJUNKIE

Cloud Kit — Offered alone or in a three-piece package, Sierra Designs' Cloud Layering System includes a windshell, a thin waterproof jacket, and an insulated puffy. The company markets the kit as able to keep a person in the outdoors dry and comfortable across a huge temperature swing and on dry or wet days. The first piece, the Cloud Windshell, is a thin breathable jacket made to be worn over a base layer.



Mannequins demo Cloud Layering System at OR Show (note extra thin, see-through fabric on hood)

It keeps wind at bay and adds a bit of warmth. If the clouds open, pull out the waterproof Cloud Airshell, a 4-ounce zippered sheen that's about as thin as a plastic bag (though stronger). It has some breathability, though the company says it is "designed to be worn *only* when it rains." Finally, if you're cold pull out the down-insulated Cloud Puffy, a 12-ounce heater that can be warm enough when layered on to keep you comfortable as snow falls from the sky. The whole kit packs small together and weighs a total of 22 ounces. \$492 as a system.



Ultra-light, three-piece kit for range of temps and weather

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