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The Complete Traveling Preparation & Packing List

This list is a recommendation. Make sure to pack any personal items missing from the list. Also, remember not to take anything you don't need. You can find packing and other traveling tips on travelingWiz.com.

1 to 3 months before your flight

- ☐ Ensure passport or visa is current
- ☐ Vaccines – check if necessary, make sure to get vaccinated at the right time
- ☐ Accommodation – book a hotel
- ☐ Transportation – Plan trips from the field to the hotel and back, rent a car
- ☐ Certificates – Student / disabled / retired certificate
- ☐ Days off – apply for leave from work
- ☐ Enrol in a frequent flyer mileage program
- ☐ Request in-flight meals for special dietary needs
- ☐ Check auto insurance policy to ensure coverage on rental car
- ☐ Purchase travel insurance
- ☐ Arrange for a pet sitter
- ☐ Arrange for houseplant and lawn care
- ☐ Arrange for pickup of packages and solicitations left at the door
- ☐ Get appropriate inoculations for the destination
- ☐ Verify available spending limits on credit cards
- ☐ Pay bills
- ☐ Buy Travel Insurance
- ☐ Put a hold on newspapers or have someone pick them up
- ☐ Ensure you have an International Driver's License
- ☐ Arrange transportation to and from the airport
- ☐ Learn essential words in the destination language

1 to 7 days before you go

- ☐ Purchase local currency
- ☐ Set timers for lights in your house
- ☐ Water plants
- ☐ Empty trash
- ☐ Update voice mail and e-mail auto-reply message
- ☐ Give or throw away perishables from the refrigerator
- ☐ Lock up the home, doors, and windows and shut off water/appliances as needed
- ☐ Enable alarm system
- ☐ Set Automatic Times for Several Lights & Radio/TV
- ☐ Set communication (phone/internet) package with SIM / eSIM
- ☐ Have copies of important documents (passport, insurance, reservations)

- [ ] Make sure you have everything set for your pets
- [ ] Download movies for the flight
- [ ] Leave emergency contact info and itinerary with a relative or friend
- [ ] Email yourself a copy of all of your essential documents and itinerary
- [ ] Check destination weather

Packing > Specific For Safari Trip

- [ ] High-quality Camera
- [ ] Telephoto lens
- [ ] Camera spare batteries
- [ ] Camera spare SD card
- [ ] Binoculars
- [ ] Shirts, T-shirts, or blouses with long sleeves and collars
- [ ] Warm jacket
- [ ] Safari trousers you can change from long to short
- [ ] Comfortable walking shoes
- [ ] Wide sleeve hat
- [ ] Open sports sandal
- [ ] Flashlight
- [ ] Anti-malarial tablets
- [ ] Insect Repellents
- [ ] Hand sanitizer

Packing > Accessories

- [ ] Fabric Softener/Dryer Sheets
- [ ] Hangers
- [ ] Laundry bag
- [ ] Small Sewing Kit/Safety Pins
- [ ] Stain Remover Pen or Wipes
- [ ] Towelettes
- [ ] Travel plugs/adapters
- [ ] Travel neck pillow

Packing > Clothing

- [ ] Belts
- [ ] Bras
- [ ] Casual pants/Shorts
- [ ] Casual shirts/T-shirts
- [ ] Dress shirts/Dress pants
- [ ] Exercise clothing
- [ ] Girdle / Bodysuit / Slip
- [ ] Hats/Scarves/Gloves
- [ ] Jackets/Coats/Sweaters
- [ ] Nylons
- [ ] Pajam Pyjamas/Robe/Slippersas/Robe/Slippers

- [ ] Skirts/Dresses
- [ ] Sports Coat
- [ ] Swimsuits
- [ ] Ties/Suspenders
- [ ] Underwear
- [ ] Workout clothes/shoes
- [ ] Shoes (walking / dress / beach / hiking / Sandals / Casual / Workout)

Packing > Electronics

- [ ] Camera \ Video Camera and accessories
- [ ] Camera accessories – charger, memory cards, tripod, batteries
- [ ] Cell Phones accessories – chargers, case, gimbal, selfie stick
- [ ] Cell phones
- [ ] Headphones
- [ ] Long-distance phone card or SIM / eSIM
- [ ] Laptop / Tablet and accessories

Packing > Documents

- [ ] Flight Tickets/Confirmation #
- [ ] Auto insurance policy number and agent telephone number
- [ ] Birth Certificates/Marriage License
- [ ] Confirmation numbers for hotel, rental car, Special Event Reservations
- [ ] Driver's License/International Driver's License
- [ ] Health insurance card
- [ ] Immunization records
- [ ] Itinerary (printed/file/application)
- [ ] Map / Pre-Download maps to your phone
- [ ] Tickets
- [ ] Travel maps (physical or download to phone), guidebook, phrasebook
- [ ] Emergency Numbers/Embassy Address
- [ ] Vouchers/Coupons/Tickets
- [ ] Membership cards (national parks, car rental etc.)

Packing > Baby / Children Items

- [ ] Baby carrier/Backpack
- [ ] Baby Shampoo/Soap
- [ ] Bottles
- [ ] Car Seat (If you rent a car, check with the car agency for kid/baby seat)
- [ ] Coats/Hats/Gloves/Swimwear
- [ ] Coloring books/Crayons/Pencils
- [ ] Diaper ointment
- [ ] Diapers
- [ ] Formula
- [ ] Games/Toys
- [ ] Swim diapers
- [ ] Wipes

- [ ] Nursing cover/Breast pump
- [ ] Sippy cups
- [ ] Sleeping bags/Pillows
- [ ] Wipes
- [ ] Sports equipment

Packing > Health / Toiletries

- [ ] Allergy medication
- [ ] Blow dryer/Diffuser
- [ ] Brush/Comb
- [ ] Curling Iron/Flat Iron
- [ ] Dental floss/Picks
- [ ] Deodorant
- [ ] Extra pairs of sunglasses, prescription glasses, and contact lenses
- [ ] First Aid kit
- [ ] Gel/Hairspray/Hair Products
- [ ] Glasses/Case/Contacts/Solution
- [ ] Hair dryer (you might have it in the hotel)
- [ ] Hand sanitizer/Antibacterial wipes
- [ ] Insect repellent
- [ ] Lotion/Lip balm/creams
- [ ] Small Mirror
- [ ] Nail clippers, emery board
- [ ] Feminine Protection Products
- [ ] Pain medication
- [ ] Perfume
- [ ] Prescription medications
- [ ] Prescriptions (with translation to local language if required)
- [ ] Q-Tips/Cotton Balls
- [ ] Razor/Shave gel
- [ ] Shampoo/Conditioner/Styling Products
- [ ] Shaving Kit (cream, Razor/Shaver, Aftershave Balm)
- [ ] Bottled water
- [ ] Soap/Body Wash
- [ ] Sunscreen
- [ ] Toothbrush/Toothpaste
- [ ] Tweezers/Nail Clippers
- [ ] Vitamins and over-the-counter medications / Herbal Remedies
- [ ] Anti-Diarrheal Medication
- [ ] Anti-Diarrheal Medication
- [ ] Antibiotic Ointment
- [ ] Antacid
- [ ] Adhesive Bandages
- [ ] Antihistamine
- [ ] Insect Repellent

- [ ] Extra Pair of Eyeglasses/Disposable Contacts
- [ ] Contact Lens Solution/Case
- [ ] Motion Sickness Remedy
- [ ] Laxative
- [ ] Lubricant
- [ ] Analgesic – Ibuprofen, Aspirin, etc.
- [ ] Fever Reducer
- [ ] Wide Spectrum Antibiotic (Some Trips)
- [ ] Prescription Medications
- [ ] Makeup/Makeup Remover
- [ ] Re-Sealable Zipper Storage Bags
- [ ] Garbage Bags
- [ ] Cotton Swabs
- [ ] Facial cleanser

Packing > Miscellaneous

- [ ] Alarm clock (or use your smartphone)
- [ ] Batteries
- [ ] Binoculars
- [ ] Books
- [ ] Duct Tape
- [ ] Earplugs
- [ ] Extra luggage space for purchases
- [ ] Jewellery/Accessories
- [ ] Journal / Magazine / Book
- [ ] Keys
- [ ] Food Bars or Emergency Snack Food
- [ ] Sunglasses
- [ ] Travel locks
- [ ] Umbrella (check if your hotel might provide one)
- [ ] Watch
- [ ] Small Flashlight
- [ ] Multi-Tool Pocket Knife
- [ ] Toilet Covers

Packing > Money

- [ ] Cash/ Credit Cards/ Debit Card/ Traveler's Checks
- [ ] Foreign Currency/Coins for Tolls
- [ ] Checks/Traveler's checks
- [ ] Wallet/Purse

Packing > Add your own items

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Before Leaving The House

- [ ] Verify the flight is on schedule
- [ ] Turn off auto hitting and other appliances
- [ ] Disconnect electric appliances
- [ ] Turn off the gas
- [ ] Throw out the garbage
- [ ] Lock doors and windows

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