Travel Checklist

An end-to-end travel checklist for planning a trip, from booking and documents to money, health, home prep, and packing.

Plan and Book

- [ ] Set your dates, destination, and rough budget
- [ ] Book flights, trains, or other transport
- [ ] Reserve accommodation for each night
- [ ] Arrange airport transfers or a rental car
- [ ] Book key tours, tickets, and activities
  Popular activities sell out, so book early
- [ ] Build a simple day-by-day itinerary

Documents and Bookings

- [ ] Check passport and ID validity for the trip
- [ ] Confirm any visa or entry requirements
- [ ] Print or save all booking confirmations
- [ ] Make copies of key documents, kept separately
- [ ] Save digital copies in the cloud and on your phone

Money and Communication

- [ ] Notify your bank of your travel dates
- [ ] Arrange local currency or a travel card
- [ ] Set a daily budget and track expenses
- [ ] Check phone roaming, eSIM, or local SIM options
- [ ] Download maps and key apps for offline use

Health and Insurance

- [ ] Arrange travel insurance with medical coverage
- [ ] Check vaccine and health requirements early
- [ ] Pack medicines and copies of prescriptions
- [ ] Note clinics and the local emergency number
- [ ] Confirm requirements via official government sources
  Health and entry rules vary by country, so verify with official sources

Prepare Your Home

- [ ] Pause mail, newspapers, and deliveries
- [ ] Arrange care for pets and plants
- [ ] Secure doors, windows, and valuables
- [ ] Unplug non-essential electronics
- [ ] Set lights on a timer or ask a neighbor to check in
- [ ] Empty the fridge of items that will spoil

Pack and Final Checks

- [ ] Pack clothes, toiletries, and tech using a packing list
- [ ] Keep documents, money, and medicines in your carry-on
- [ ] Charge devices and pack chargers and adapters
- [ ] Weigh bags against airline limits
- [ ] Confirm departure times and check in online
- [ ] Do a final sweep for keys, wallet, and phone