

Before you Leave !!!
Money Matters—IMPORTANT

- Use your ATM card with a 4-digit pin code to get cash.
- Do not bring travelers checks. They are very difficult or impossible to use.
- Credit cards are widely accepted except for small amounts, small stores and street markets. Use cash when possible for lesser security risks.
- Call your bank and credit card companies to tell them where you are traveling, or they may block your card for security risks.
- Have a 4-digit pin code to use with your ATM card or credit card if using for cash.
- Confirm that your passport expires no sooner than six months after your trip.**



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Packing Checklist

- Security wallet to wear under clothing. Include*
 - *Current Passport
 - *Driver's License if renting car
 - *ATM Card with 4-digit pincode
 - *2 credit cards with 4-digit pincode if using for cash (1 handy and 1 in security wallet)
 - * Large bills - keep small bills handy
- Airline tickets
- Train tickets, if applicable
- Confirmations - hotel, car, airline, shuttle
- Itinerary with contact information. Leave copy home with your emergency contact
- \$100 in foreign currency
- Travel insurance, if applicable
- Emergency phone numbers
- Medications and prescriptions
- Camera and batteries
- Phone, plug adapters, converters, charger cords
- Phrase book or small dictionary
- Spare eyeglasses, sunglasses
- Reading material
- Travel alarm clock
- Small flashlight
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Travel Tips

- Be aware of pickpockets. Keep only small amounts of money and one credit card in your fanny pack or purse. All valuables should go in a security wallet worn under your clothing or in hotel safe. MEN—Do not put your wallet in your back pocket.**
- Be free - don't pack too much.
- Bring wrinkle-resistant separates and coordinate your wardrobe around one or two colors.
- Bring comfortable walking shoes. Walking is the way to see the sights!
- Be prepared for the weather - dress in layers. Weather in France and Europe is unpredictable. It can be warm and sunny or rainy, cold and windy.
- Don't bring valuables - it's less stress.
- Pack only the toiletries you'll need.
- Label luggage with name and address inside and out.
- Attach a bright colored string or piece of tape near handle for easier identification.
- Make two photocopies of passport, tix, etc. Leave one at home and one in a separate part of your luggage.
- If you enjoy a glass of wine in your hotel room, bring a corkscrew, but not in carryon bags.
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Suggested Clothing Checklist

"1 to wash, 1 to wear, 1 to spare"

PLEASE NOTE: Luggage space is limited. Please limit your luggage to one medium suitcase and one piece of hand luggage. Soft sided luggage is preferred. Thank you for packing light!

Plan around one or two colors
Dress in layers

- An all weather coat good for layering
- Collapsible umbrella
- Sun hat or warm hat, scarf, gloves
- Shoes: Walking, sandals, 1 pair for evening
- Underwear, socks
- Pajamas, slippers
- 1 blazer or sweater in neutral color
- 5 tops: 3 neutrals and 2 colors
- 2 walking shorts/skirts/capris
- 1-2 pair casual pants or jeans
- 1 pair pants/skirt for evening
- 1 semi-dressy outfit, optional
- Accessories - hat, belts, scarves, jewelry
- Swimming suit
- Toiletries packed in ziploc bags
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Miscellaneous Optional Items

- Addresses for postcards
- Earplugs
- 220v hair dryers are provided. U.S. 110v model requires converter AND plug adapter
- Washcloth, clothespins
- Pocket calculator and notebook
- Family photos to share
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