

Ultimate Printable Packing List for a Cruise

Carry-On Bag or Backpack

- Important paperwork - tickets and travel insurance info
- List of emergency phone numbers back home
- Travel ID documents - passport, visas
- Wallet with cash, credit cards (only one or two cards), driver's license
- Cruise line luggage tags to attach at destination (if you are flying)
- All medications in original prescription container
- Tip money for porters - \$1 and \$5 dollar bills in US currency
- Jewelry (leave the good stuff at home)
- Touch-up makeup and toiletries
- Spare glasses and/or contact lenses
- Camera, lenses
- Phone and charger
- Change of clothes to wear until your luggage is delivered
- Laptop, iPad, e-reader and chargers

Clothing

- Underwear
- Dress socks/stockings, athletic socks
- Sleepwear
- 1 or 2 Swimsuits - no cut-offs in the pool
- 1 beach and pool coverup
- 1 or 2 sets of workout clothes/yoga pants/sports top
- 2 or 3 pairs of women's shorts or capris
- 1-2 casual pants/skirts
- 1 to 3 casual sundresses
- 2 or 3 pairs of men's shorts/casual pants/khakis
- 4 or 5 T-shirts/blouses/tops for women for day and night
- 5-6 T-shirts/polo shirts/casual shirts for men during the day and casual nights
- Jeans are acceptable - not torn or ratty looking - and not at dinner in the main dining room.

- Formal night attire:
 - Women: One or two dressy outfits - dressy pants and blouse, cocktail dress.
Some women still wear long formal dresses but not as often.
 - Men: One sport coat or dark jacket, 2 ties, collared shirt.
- Shoes - 3-5 pairs: Sandals, sneakers, dress shoes, comfortable walking shoes. Optional - sturdy closed-toe shoes for horseback riding or hiking, flip-flops
- Lightweight sweater, cardigan or pashmina for air conditioned public rooms.
- Crushable sun hat/cap/visor
- Belt
- 2-3 lightweight scarves to give same outfit new looks
- Packable rain gear/poncho and/or folding umbrella
- Bring "layer-able" clothes and a jacket if cooler weather is predicted, say for a winter cruise that include the Bahamas.

Toiletries

- Shampoo and conditioner
- Hair spray or styling spray
- Bar soap/body wash
- Body lotion
- Sunscreen
- Emery board and nail clipper
- Deodorant
- Toothbrush - toothpaste - floss
- Travel size mouthwash
- Contact lens solution (spare lenses are in your carry-on)
- Eye makeup remover
- Insect repellent
- Lip balm with an SPF
- After-sun lotion with aloe
- Flat or curling iron
- Folding hair dryer. Some older ships still have wall-mounted, short cord, low-watt dryers.
- Styling brushes and comb

Makeup and Skin Care

- Mascara
- Liner
- Eye shadow base
- Neutral eye shadow color palate
- Foundation
- Touchup powder and blusher
- Makeup brushes
- Concealer - If you plan to tan, bring concealer one shade darker, too
- Eyebrow pencil and/or powder filler
- Day and night treatment products
- Hand lotion

Medications

- All meds go in your carry-on bag in the original container.
- Get your prescriptions refilled so you don't run out
- Ask your physician about a "care" package - cough syrup, antibiotics, imodium, Benadryl-type antihistamine - anti-itch med, anti-nausea etc.
- First aid supplies - assorted bandages, antibiotic ointment, alcohol wipes, aspirin or whatever you take for pain relief, kid scissors
- Seasick pills like Bonine (doesn't make you drowsy) or Dramamine (makes you drowsy) or naturopathic remedies like candied ginger and ginger chewables.

Convenience Items

- Night light for your stateroom
- Traveling alarm clock
- Foam ear plugs
- Magnets to hang up notes and such - most walls are metal.
- Clothes pins for hanging hand washables on the shower clothes line
- Highlighter pens for daily cruise planner/newsletter
- Dirty clothes bag
- Lightweight beach bag or tote bag
- Extra zip top freezer bags
- A few sheets of bubble wrap for souvenirs

Electronics

- Mobile phone - stays with you, not in luggage
- Phone charger including plug and cord (in carry-on)
- Laptop or iPad/Kindle (in carry-on) and chargers
- Camera, lenses and filters (also in your carry-on)
- Camera battery charger and camera case (in carry-on)
- Underwater camera
- Tiny tripod or monopod (leave those selfie sticks at home)
- Any instruction books that you might need to brush up on devices' features
- Travel size bluetooth speaker and charger
- Flash drive and/or external hard drive - download your wonderful photos each night
- Extra memory/SD cards
- Lightweight binoculars - especially if you don't have a telephoto camera lens
- IMPORTANT: Download all your podcasts, music, movies and TV shows *before* you leave home. Don't waste expensive onboard internet minutes trying to download anything...it's nearly impossible.