



## Getting Started With International Travel Checklist

### Before You Book

- Define the trip you actually want
- Check passport validity (6+ months left)
- Verify visa or entry requirements
- Choose travel dates

### Flights and Lodging

- Set Google Flights price alerts
- Compare one-way vs. round-trip flights
- Research neighborhoods before booking
- Prioritize walkable locations

### Money and Payments

- Notify banks and card issuers
- Use no foreign transaction fee cards
- Bring \$200–\$300 USD backup cash
- Use ATMs inside major banks

More travel advice: [thelocalguideabroad.com](http://thelocalguideabroad.com)

### Health and Insurance

- Check vaccine or medication needs
- Understand health coverage abroad
- Decide if travel insurance makes sense

### Phones and Tech

- Choose eSIM, SIM, or carrier plan
- Download offline Google Maps
- Install Google Translate

### Documents and Backups

- Photograph passport and IDs
- Store copies in the cloud
- Share copies with travel partner

### Arrival Day

- Know airport-to-lodging transport
- Use official taxi or rideshare pickup
- Confirm price before entering taxi