

Family Vacation Checklist

Decide the shape of your trip

- Confirm your dates for a family-friendly destination; keep one backup date if possible.
- Make a realistic 6-day route, including arrival and departure time.
- Pick your two must-do experiences and leave some free time.

Book and verify

- Compare the final price and total travel time from your origin to a family-friendly destination.
- Use the exact ID or passport name on every transport booking.
- Check cancellation and refund rules before paying.

Documents and money

- Check every traveller's government ID or passport before booking.
- Save offline copies of IDs, tickets, insurance and bookings.
- Carry a paper copy of emergency contacts and the first stay address.

Health, safety and communication

- Check current health and weather advice for the destination.
- Pack prescription medicines in original packaging, with extra for delays.
- Carry a small first-aid kit suited to your activities.

Pack for the actual itinerary

- Choose clothing by day and activity; remove duplicate just in case items.
- Pack comfortable footwear you have already worn.
- Carry suitable protection from sun, rain or cold.

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Transport-day checks

- Verify terminal, baggage limits and online check-in opening time.
- Keep liquids, batteries, medicines and valuables within current cabin rules.
- Plan the airport transfer with buffer for traffic, queues and security.

Traveller-specific preparation

- Confirm child seat, cot, meal and age-policy requests directly with providers.
- Pack child-specific medicine, snacks, comfort item and spare clothing accessibly.
- Use ID/contact cards and agree on a family meeting point in crowded places.

Activities and destination checks

- Match daily activity length to the youngest traveller rather than the adult maximum.
- Confirm child fare, age, height and supervision rules for every booked activity.
- Keep snacks, water, wipes, medicines and spare clothing reachable during transfers.

Final 24-hour check

- Recheck live transport status, weather alerts and provider messages.
- Charge devices and power banks; download tickets, maps and entertainment.
- Confirm documents, medicines, wallet, keys and essential hand baggage.