

TOP TIPS FOR WEEKEND TRAVELLING



There's nothing better than packing your bags for a long weekend away to explore a new

town or city. It can offer a well-received break from everyday life and provide you with a boost of inspiration and motivation that can be much needed after a stressful week at work. You don't have to go too far to enjoy yourself either, the UK is bursting with [natural beauty spots](#), bustling cities and plenty of culture to go around. Or why not embrace your romantic side and enjoy a charming weekend away to Paris? Make the most of cheap flights within Europe and book up those city breaks. Whether it's a stylish weekend in Stockholm, Christmas getaway to Vienna or culture packed trip to Glasgow.

A few top tips to consider for your next weekend of travelling...

Make a List

Yes, pen and paper might seem old fashioned but you're bound to forget a key item if you don't write everything down. Make a list of all the items you need to pack in order to avoid leaving your phone charger, or worse, your passport at home. Check off everything on the list when packed so you can head off on your way without any nightmares.

Insure Yourself

Travel insurance is so important, even if you aren't taking anything of specific value away with you. If you were to fall ill or be involved in an accident you'll be paying a large price for it. For the sake of a tenner, it's worth taking out a policy. For frequent adventurers, an annual policy is best as it will save you money, time and hassle.

Organise Car Hire

It's best to try to book your car hire before you go with a reputable company such as [Kayak](#) to avoid touching down in the airport only to be told the only car they have left is a Fiat 500 which your 6ft3ins boyfriend definitely won't appreciate. You'll also benefit from better deals and can compare the different options.

Separate Your Money

It's best to separate your money just in case in the unfortunate event you have your bag, purse or wallet stolen. Don't take all of your money out with you! Store some in your bag, and keep the rest in the hotel safe if possible. It's also best to keep a credit card in the safe too in case of emergencies.

Break Out Of Your Comfort Zone

Whilst it's good to be safe, it's also good to try new things and embrace new experiences on your travels. Whether this be striking up a conversation with strangers, tasting new local foods or jumping out of an airplane, don't hold back! These are the moments that make for the best memories.

Download Useful Apps

There are tonnes of truly great travel apps out there that will help you make your travels smoother and more enjoyable. [Language apps](#) are great for when you're visiting a country whose language you are not familiar with. Just picking up a few of the basics can make life easier for you.

The final tip? Relax and enjoy yourself! Travel should never be overly stressful, don't stick to a regimented itinerary. Go with the flow, get lost, laugh and embrace it. Adventures are the best way to learn.

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