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## BEST TRAVEL TIPS TO KEEP IN MIND

*Getting ready for a big trip? There are always tips and services that can make this process a whole lot easier. Wouldn't it be great if they were all in one place? Well, you're in luck - this here is just that kind of list. Go through it and see what you can do to improve your trip, avoid unnecessary complications and maybe even save a few dollars (euros, pounds, whatever) along the way. You'd be surprised how many people don't even think that there is an easier way of organizing things. Make the most of your vacation with these handy travel tips.*

**Watch when you're booking your flight** – Flight prices vary a whole lot through the week, so knowing when to book can save you a lot of money. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and early mornings in general usually get you the best deal.

**Check different languages on a website** – If you're buying a plane ticket and the airline has its website in multiple languages, check all versions of it. Prices may be different for different markets.

**Get a layover tour** – Have a lot of time between flights? Book a short stopover tour and explore the city you're in. Airlines and airports offer these, sometimes even for free!

**Kindle is your friend** – It's a long way to your destination? Having a Kindle with you means you always have something to read, without the need to carry all those heavy books around with you.

**Always cancel for free** – Missed the period when you can cancel your reservation without any charges? No problem, simply change the date of your reservation and then make the cancellation. For free, of course. Clever, right?

**Get the best deal on your accommodation** – Online booking services often take a significant fee, which then reflects on the price you have to pay. [Locktrip](#) doesn't do that, meaning their prices are by far the lowest around.

**Connect to free Wi-Fi** – You can often find free Wi-Fi in cafes and/or restaurants, but if you're not in those places there are apps to help you find Wi-Fi networks. NetStumbler is a good example, while on Instabridge users even leave passwords for the networks they've accessed.

**Pack the right shoes!** - Think about the activities you're planning on your vacation and pack accordingly. Don't go hiking in your flip-flops, for example. You risk injury or something worse.

**Noise-cancelling headphones are a life-saver** – Kids on your plane are rowdy or you're simply staying in a loud neighbourhood? Get some quality sleep with these fantastic headphones.

**Copy your documents** – If you lose your passport or your ID, having a scanned copy of them in your e-mail inbox can be incredibly useful. In some cases, even photocopies of your documents will be enough.

**Learn the native language** – Not all of it, obviously, but knowing how to say “Thank you”, “Goodbye”, “Hello” or some other phrase like that can really make the locals open up towards you.

**Carry extra bank/credit cards with you** – ATM machines can sometimes “eat” your cards, while the cards can get stolen or something like that. If you have a spare card you keep separately from your wallet, you will have much less problems when an accident like that happens.

**Book your accommodation near a university** – Areas around universities are usually very safe, cheaper than average and have everything you need. Also, the young people there are quite open and will often be delighted to talk to you.

**Notify your bank about your travels** – If the bank sees that your card is suddenly being used half way around the world, they can block it. Avoid that kind of complications by letting them know you will be traveling.

**Buy travel insurance** – Seriously, this is important. You don't want to be without insurance if something bad happens on your trip. [World Nomads](#) have the best deals and specialize in travel insurance.

**Watch where you exchange your money** – Resist the urge to exchange your money as soon as you land. Airports (and hotels) usually have bad rates. Go to a bank or an exchange office for better deals.

**Unlock your phone** – Unlocking your mobile phone means you can use local SIM cards and that means you can save a whole lot when it comes to internet data.

**Have a pen with you** – You can take a pen (or a pencil) with you on a plane, and this will allow you to fill out things like immigration cards in advance. That way you save a lot of time and can be on your way immediately when you land.

**Get free water on the airport** – Airports usually have free water somewhere, so if you have an empty plastic (or even metal) bottle with you, you will be able to fill it up without having to spend any money on buying it, which can be quite costly.

**Claim compensation for delayed flights** – In the EU, you can get financial compensation if your flight is delayed by more than three hours. So if that happens, see how much you can get out a bad situation.