



What to pack for a sailing holiday with Classic Sailing

This is a general description of what to pack for a sailing holiday complete with tips and money saving ideas.

Please note all our sailing vessels have a description on each voyage of what to pack on your sailing holiday.

What to pack

Head

Hot climate - sun hat, sun glasses, sun cream

Cold Climate - warm woolly stay on tight beanie - sunglasses and sun cream.

Body

Hot Climate - casual clothing, shower proof top and trousers. Swim wear, beach towel.

Cold Climate, lots of layers - warm waterproof gloves - Ski gloves are quite good. Proper wet weather gear. (Don't buy top of the range sailing gear, mid range is good for ocean crossings, coastal for coastal.)

First trip

If it's your first trip don't buy any wet weather gear but take good walking or hiking gear if you have it.

Remember to wash any salt water off after the voyage is over.

Foot wear

Hot climate - sandals, but not flip flops as you need sensible protection for your toes. Trainers that will dry quickly if they get wet. Deck shoes if you like but they are definitely not essential. (Our vessels are tough traditional ships, not fancy yacht decks.)

Cold Climate

Trainers for dry areas and below decks.

On deck clean Wellington boots are perfect. Short length yellow wellies are not practical or in keeping.

Hiking ashore

If you are likely to be going ashore take some good hiking boots plus the wellies. The wellies to get you ashore and keep you feet dry when getting out of a dinghy and the hiking boots for the walking.

Long ocean voyages.

You should have the opportunity, by turn, to get your small parts laundry done. #

More Information - [What should I wear?](#)

No Suitcases

Space is extremely limited on ships and you will not be able to store a suitcase. Rucksacks are perfect. One large one for getting your gear onboard and a smaller one for tips ashore.

Medicines

Take twice the amount for you need for the time of your voyage. Pack in your hand baggage so if your hold luggage gets lost you have your meds with you. Sea Sickness pills or devices

Spare - glasses. Batteries for any equipment.

Odd things

Passport

RYA or nautical log book

Tall Ships Guide Book [FREE from Classic Sailing](#)

Sketch book

Reading books

Small musical instruments

Camera. binoculars.

Phone and or laptop. Crossing oceans you will be able to receive and send only emergency communications.

Near shore mobile, cell, phones may work in populated coasts.

Charger cables for your electronics. Check the voltage and socket type for the vessel you are sailing on.

Sleep apnea is very difficult on ships. The electronic assistance devices are prone to be very sensitive to the regularity of the electricity supply and ships generators many not be sufficiently modified.

Diet

Most vessels can cater for vegetarian and vegan meals but for specific diets check with the ship.

Allergies

Let the ship know if you have any and bring epi-pens and spares if required.

Please Note - All Classic Sailing customers are required to complete a health and safety questionnaire to ensure your well being when you are in our care at sea.

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