Caravan and camping

To pack

EQUIPMENT

- [ ] Solar panel
- [ ] Lighting
- [ ] Washing line and pegs
- [ ] Heaters
- [ ] Electric blanket
- [ ] Firewood and firelighters
- [ ] Grass floor mats
- [ ] Hammocks
- [ ] Camp chairs
- [ ] Laundry bowl
- [ ] 5 litre water bottle
- [ ] Cooler box

TENT CAMPERS

- [ ] Tent, poles and pegs
- [ ] Mallet
- [ ] Groundsheet
- [ ] Sleeping bags
- [ ] Mattresses or stretchers
- [ ] Gas cooker and bottle

CLOTHING

- [ ] Jackets
- [ ] Jerseys
- [ ] T-shirts
- [ ] Jeans, pants, skirts
- [ ] Tracksuits
- [ ] Shorts and shirts
- [ ] Socks
- [ ] Underwear
- [ ] PJs
- [ ] Sarongs or kikois
- [ ] Swimming costumes
- [ ] Beanies, scarves, gloves
- [ ] Hats and caps
- [ ] Gumboots
- [ ] Hiking boots
- [ ] Slops and shoes

LINEN

- [ ] Blankets
- [ ] Small blankets
- [ ] Duvet sets
- [ ] Sheets
- [ ] Pillowcases

MEDICINES

- [ ] Prescription medicines
- [ ] Pain tablets
- [ ] Antacid
- [ ] Vitamins
- [ ] Plasters
- [ ] Ointments
- [ ] Burn ointment
- [ ] Anti-nausea
- [ ] Anti-diarrhoea
- [ ] Cramp medicine

TOILETRIES

- [ ] Moisturiser and skin oils
- [ ] Make-up and wipes
- [ ] Facecloths
- [ ] Tissues

ENTERTAINMENT

- [ ] Books and magazines
- [ ] Tablets and phones
- [ ] Chargers
- [ ] Binoculars
- [ ] Speaker
- [ ] Reference books
- [ ] Hobbies
- [ ] Cards and games

Permanently packed

Check before you go

These stay in the caravan or camping boxes between trips: just **check and top up** before you go.

EQUIPMENT

- [ ] Tables
- [ ] Buckets
- [ ] Tools
- [ ] Fire blanket
- [ ] Extension lead
- [ ] Torch and spare batteries

KITCHEN

- [ ] Kitchen equipment
- [ ] Matches or strikers
- [ ] Cast iron pots
- [ ] Skewers
- [ ] Serving dishes
- [ ] Platters
- [ ] Bread boards
- [ ] Cutlery
- [ ] Microwave dish

CLEANING

- [ ] Dishwashing liquid
- [ ] Sponges
- [ ] Dishcloths
- [ ] Foil and foil trays
- [ ] Kitchen towel
- [ ] Washing powder
- [ ] Toilet paper
- [ ] Plastic bags
- [ ] Black bin bags
- [ ] Bathroom wipes

TOILETRIES

- [ ] Toiletry bags
- [ ] Toothbrushes
- [ ] Toothpaste
- [ ] Shampoo
- [ ] Soap
- [ ] Deodorant

LINEN

- [ ] Pillows
- [ ] Duvet
- [ ] Mattress cover
- [ ] Tablecloths
- [ ] Placemats
- [ ] Dish towels

TO BUY OR REPLACE

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Self-catering accommodation

To pack

CLOTHES

- [ ] T-shirts
- [ ] Shorts
- [ ] Long pants
- [ ] Jeans
- [ ] Jerseys
- [ ] Jackets
- [ ] Beanies, scarves, gloves
- [ ] Thermals
- [ ] Underwear
- [ ] PJs

SHOES

- [ ] Slippers
- [ ] Sneakers
- [ ] Hiking boots
- [ ] Smart shoes

TOILETRIES

- [ ] Toothpaste and toothbrushes
- [ ] Hairbrush and hairdryer
- [ ] Shampoo and conditioner
- [ ] Soap
- [ ] Creams and face oils
- [ ] Facecloths
- [ ] Make-up and wipes

MEDICINE

- [ ] Daily scripts
- [ ] Pain tablets
- [ ] Burn cream
- [ ] Antiseptic cream
- [ ] Antacid
- [ ] Flu medicine
- [ ] Anti-nausea
- [ ] Cramp medicine
- [ ] Plasters
- [ ] Disinfectant

ENTERTAINMENT

- [ ] Books and magazines
- [ ] Tablets and phones
- [ ] Chargers
- [ ] Cards and games
- [ ] Dice
- [ ] Notebook
- [ ] Paints

KITCHEN EXTRAS

- [ ] Coffee machine and pods
- [ ] Cast iron pot
- [ ] Sharp knives
- [ ] Bread board
- [ ] Bread tin
- [ ] Recipe book

MY EXTRAS

- [ ]
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Most self-catering units supply basic kitchenware: check the inventory when you book, and pack the extras that make it feel like home.

Documents and day bag

And leaving home

DOCUMENTS AND MONEY

- [ ] ID or passports (check expiry dates)
- [ ] Driver's licence
- [ ] Vehicle papers, and letter of authority if needed
- [ ] Booking confirmations
- [ ] Medical aid card
- [ ] Park permits or Wild Card
- [ ] Bank cards and some cash
- [ ] Copies of documents, kept separately

DAY BAG

- [ ] Water bottles
- [ ] Sunscreen and hats
- [ ] Insect repellent
- [ ] Snacks
- [ ] Binoculars
- [ ] Camera
- [ ] Light jacket
- [ ] Maps or route notes

LEAVING HOME

- [ ] Stop or redirect deliveries
- [ ] Arrange care for pets and plants
- [ ] Tell someone your route and dates
- [ ] Switch off the geyser and appliances
- [ ] Empty the fridge and bins
- [ ] Lock up and set the alarm

THE VEHICLE AND CARAVAN

- [ ] Vehicle check done (see the journal)
- [ ] Tyre pressure, including the spare
- [ ] Caravan or trailer hitched and lights working
- [ ] Fridge on, gas off for the road
- [ ] Water topped up

LAST-MINUTE THINGS

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