

# PACKING TIPS 101



***Before you start packing, check with your airline to see what items are allowed in your carryon luggage, and to review the size & weight restrictions for carryon and all checked luggage.***

**Documents** - Write down your passport number, or other travel documentation, or better still, make a copy of the front page. This can be very helpful if you lose any of your documentation and have to get it replaced.

**Communication** - Make sure you if you carry your cell phone with you (that will have all contact and emergency contact information while you are away: family, travel agent, etc) that you pack the necessary cell phone adapters and chargers. Pack your charger in your purse or carry-on bag.

**Insurance** - Be sure to bring with you all travel/medical insurance plans that you have in case of an emergency while on the island. That includes all personal and optional travel insurance plans that were purchased prior to your trip.

**Money Matters** - Clean out your wallet before you go – you won't need miscellaneous charge cards or a large number of credit cards. Leave them at home in a safe place.

**Adapters and Converters** - Electrical items in foreign countries need both, make sure you have the right one for your destination.

**Luggage** – Identify your luggage with a sticker or brightly colored ribbon. Make sure there is a luggage tag on it with your name and contact information.

**Extra Space** - Souvenir shopping can lead to many fun purchases, but it can turn into a hassle if you don't have a good way to pack these items. Consider taking an extra small bag for keepsakes. Trinkets can often be mailed back home. Travelers should check customs regulations before leaving for vacation to find out what they can bring back.

**NOTE:** A good idea if you have access to your e-mail when away from home is to e-mail important credit card #'s, policy information, passport # to yourself, so you'll be able to retrieve it in case it gets lost, stolen, or damaged.

***If a security box is available, please place all valuables in it. This includes wallets, electronic devices, passports, and other important documents. Never leave your security box unlocked and check upon entering and exiting your room.***