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A SMART TRAVELER'S GUIDE

Whether you're headed to a bustling city or an off-the-grid destination, surprises can happen.

From lost passports to unexpected medical emergencies, savvy travelers know that preparation is the key to peace of mind.

At Travel Scout, we believe a little planning goes a long way toward making your journey not only smoother—but safer and more enjoyable.

This guide is designed to help you prepare for the unexpected with confidence.





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# Pre-Travel Steps

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## **STEP Registration**

Enroll in the U.S. Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP) to receive real-time safety alerts and assistance from local embassies.

This is especially helpful for seniors, solo travelers, and those headed to high-risk regions.

#### **Critical Contacts & Communication**

Save U.S. State Department emergency lines and your destination's local emergency numbers. Store them offline in case of poor connectivity.

Share your travel itinerary and insurance info with a trusted contact, and set a check-in routine—especially during international travel.

### **Emergency Information Kit**

Carry a one-page emergency card with your key medical information: name, allergies, medications, insurance, and emergency contacts. Laminate and store it in your wallet or as your phone's lock screen.

Back up critical travel documents (passport, visas, itinerary, insurance, etc.) both digitally and in print. Save them in the cloud and email a copy to a trusted contact.

### **Medical Emergencies & Insurance**

Purchase travel insurance that includes emergency medical and evacuation coverage. Make sure it fits your health needs and covers pre-existing conditions.

Pack a personal medical kit, including prescriptions, spare glasses, first-aid basics, and OTC medications. Research where to find local English-speaking care.





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# Just in Case

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#### Scam & Theft Prevention

Beware of common scams (e.g., distraction tactics, fake police, inflated taxi fares). Use anti-theft bags and secure payment methods.

Avoid logging into sensitive accounts on public Wi-Fi and use RFID-blocking wallets or sleeves.

## **Lost Passport or ID**

If your passport is lost or stolen abroad, contact the nearest U.S. Embassy. Bring a passport photo, citizenship proof, and itinerary to speed up replacement.

Always carry a copy of your passport and a backup stored digitally in case of loss.





## **Financial Contingency Plans**

Bring two credit cards (without foreign fees), stored separately. Set up account alerts for purchases and fraud detection.

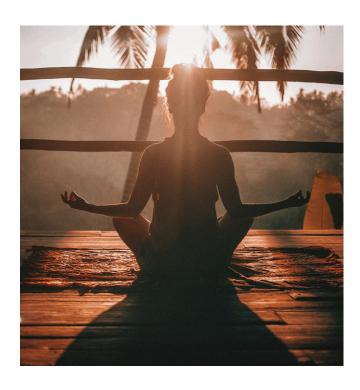
Know how to get emergency cash through ATMs, Western Union, or even the U.S. Embassy if needed.





# Safe Travels

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# **Comfort & Health During Travel**

Stay hydrated, move regularly during flights, and avoid heavy meals. Pack compression socks, healthy snacks, and melatonin for long trips.

Plan for medical needs, mobility concerns, or invisible disabilities by communicating with travel providers ahead of time.

### Your Safety is Our Priority

At Travel Scout, we equip our clients with more than just vacation ideas—we provide peace of mind.

With expert planning, insider resources, and dedicated support, we help you travel smarter, safer, and more confidently.

Schedule your complimentary consultation today and receive a \$200 hotel savings card.

And for a limited time, travelers who book their vacation with us will also unlock an exclusive bonus getaway offer.





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# **Connect with Travel Scout**

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At Travel Scout, we specialize in crafting personalized vacations that take the stress out of planning. With expert guidance, exclusive connections, and a commitment to your travel style, we turn dream getaways into reality—without the hours of research or guesswork.

When you're ready to explore the world, or take time away for yourself, schedule your free consultation at <u>go.mytravelscout.net/plan</u> and let's start planning your next unforgettable adventure.

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We're always just an email or call away—and we look forward to being part of your travel journey!



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