Squared Away Today



Many find August the perfect time to travel. Summer is here, school is out, there is a need to disconnect and get away or slow down time and build memories. Whatever your reason, this month's newsletter is dedicated to helping you get organized, so you can to relax and enjoy.

Read on for tips, resources and inspiration to be an organized traveler.

Happy trails,

Steph CEO Squared Away Today

"Have stories to tell, not stuff to show." - Author Unknown



Food for Thought...

Traveling with Four Legged Family

Bring a few favorites from home.

Toys or a blanket help our furry friends feel more comfortable in a new environment.

Do you research.

Make sure where you are going is pet friendly. Be knowledgeable about what activities/places welcome pets.

Stop frequently.

Plan for potty breaks and walks, as needed.

Have a plan B!

Things don't always go as planned. Be prepared.

Remember to bring the following:

- ~Lease & harness
- ~Collar with contact info
- ~Drinking water & bowl
- ~ Medications
- ~Pet first aid kit



QUICK TIPS

To get organized for travel!!

Make a list.

Either on paper or in your phone, list items to bring. Make categories: Clothing, Health & Beauty Aides, Snacks, etc...There are also many pre-made lists on pads to purchase or free online.

Use packing cubes.

These pouches are great for keeping items sorted. PJs together? One outfit? Tops? Undies? Don't want to buy packing cubes? You can use Ziploc bags in various sizes. They also come in XL and Jumbo to store bigger items.

Keep liquids in Ziploc bags.

Keep all liquids together in plastic bags. When one leaks, which often happens when at high altitudes, clean up is contained to items in the bag. You can use various sizes, then put together in a gallon size bag.

Keep travel documents in a brightly colored folder.

Put them in your carry on for easy access.

Pack a capsule wardrobe.

Use key pieces that can be interchanged to create different outfits, using fewer pieces.

When zipping up your carry on or suitcase, have the zippers meet near the handles.

This makes it easy to slip last minute items into your bags.

Pack a bag to keep dirty laundry.

This is a game changer once you get home. So easy to unpack and get things clean & put away!

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RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT

Packing cubes can be a game changer when getting organized for a trip. Check out this article:

The 10 Best Packing Cubes of 2023, Tested and Reviewed by Alex Temblador on tripsavvy.com.

They've done the research for you and have reviews for each type of packing cubes: best for value and budget, best compression, best for families, best for over-packers, and a few more!!