

The Ultimate Bali Packing List

Everything worth bringing for a tropical island with volcanoes, temples, reefs and rain.
Tick it off as you pack.

DOCUMENTS & MONEY

- ☐ Passport valid for at least 6 months after arrival
- ☐ Visa on Arrival / e-VOA confirmation (printed or saved offline)
- ☐ Bali tourist levy receipt (QR code from Love Bali)
- ☐ Return or onward ticket
- ☐ Travel insurance policy and 24-hour emergency number
- ☐ Two bank cards from different banks
- ☐ Some clean, undamaged USD or EUR notes for exchange
- ☐ Digital copies of passport, visa and insurance

CLOTHES

- ☐ Light, breathable clothes for 30°C days
- ☐ Two swimsuits
- ☐ A sarong (temples, beach, cool evenings)
- ☐ A top that covers your shoulders for temple visits
- ☐ Light rain jacket (wet season: November to March)
- ☐ Warm layer for Batur sunrise, Kintamani and Bedugul
- ☐ Hat and sunglasses

SHOES

- ☐ Sandals or flip-flops
- ☐ Trail shoes with grip for volcano hikes and waterfalls
- ☐ Water shoes for reef and rocky beaches

HEALTH

- ☐ Reef-safe sunscreen, SPF 50
- ☐ Insect repellent with DEET or picaridin
- ☐ Personal medication in original packaging, with prescription
- ☐ Oral rehydration salts (ORS)
- ☐ Anti-diarrhea tablets and a small first-aid kit
- ☐ Motion sickness tablets for fast boats
- ☐ Hand sanitizer

TECH

- ☐ Plug adapter type C/F (230 V)
- ☐ Power bank
- ☐ Unlocked, eSIM-ready phone
- ☐ Waterproof phone pouch
- ☐ Headlamp for the Batur sunrise hike
- ☐ Chargers and cables

BEACH & ADVENTURE

- ☐ Snorkel mask
- ☐ Dry bag for boat trips
- ☐ Reusable water bottle
- ☐ Rash guard or UV shirt
- ☐ Quick-dry microfiber towel

LEAVE AT HOME

- ☒ Any drugs, cannabis or CBD products (Indonesia's drug laws are among the world's strictest)
- ☒ Medication you haven't checked is legal in Indonesia
- ☒ A drone, unless you've checked the current rules
- ☒ Valuables and expensive jewelry you don't need

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Before You Fly to Bali

The paperwork and planning that make arrival smooth. Work through it from a few months out to the day before you leave.

2 TO 3 MONTHS BEFORE

- ☐ Check your passport is valid for 6+ months after arrival
- ☐ Book flights and your first nights
- ☐ Buy travel insurance that covers scooters, diving and hospital care
- ☐ Ask your doctor about vaccinations (for example hepatitis A, typhoid, rabies)
- ☐ Sketch your route and how many days in each area
- ☐ Check the dates of Nyepi (March 8, 2027) and Galungan

2 TO 4 WEEKS BEFORE

- ☐ Apply for the e-VOA on the official site evisa.imigrasi.go.id only
- ☐ Pay the Bali tourist levy (IDR 150,000) at lovebali.baliprov.go.id
- ☐ Book your airport pickup or note the ride-hailing pickup point
- ☐ Get an International Driving Permit if you plan to ride a scooter
- ☐ Book popular tours early in high season (Batur, Nusa Penida, diving)
- ☐ Tell your bank you are traveling and check foreign ATM fees

THE WEEK BEFORE

- ☐ Fill in the All Indonesia arrival form at allindonesia.imigrasi.go.id
- ☐ Buy or install your eSIM
- ☐ Download Gojek, Grab, Google Maps (offline map) and Google Translate
- ☐ Save your hotel address and phone number offline
- ☐ Save the emergency number 112 and your insurer's hotline
- ☐ Download the free Discover Bali emergency PDF

THE DAY BEFORE

- ☐ Passport, e-VOA, levy QR and insurance in one folder
- ☐ Phone, power bank and adapter charged and packed
- ☐ Pack your medication in your carry-on
- ☐ Check in online and confirm your pickup

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Your First 24 Hours in Bali

From the plane to your first sunset: what to do at the airport and on day one, and the habits that keep a trip safe and respectful.

AT THE AIRPORT

- ☐ Immigration: passport and e-VOA (or buy a Visa on Arrival at the counter)
- ☐ Customs: show your All Indonesia QR code
- ☐ Have your tourist levy QR ready in case it is checked
- ☐ Withdraw rupiah at a bank ATM inside the terminal
- ☐ Activate your eSIM or buy a SIM from an official counter
- ☐ Meet your driver, or use the official taxi counter or ride-hailing pickup point

DAY ONE

- ☐ Change money only at licensed money changers
- ☐ Drink bottled or refilled filtered water, not tap water
- ☐ Buy reef-safe sunscreen and a sarong if you didn't bring them
- ☐ Keep the first day easy and get over the jet lag
- ☐ Save your accommodation's address and location pin

STAY SAFE

- ☐ Wear a helmet and carry a valid license if you ride a scooter
- ☐ Swim only between flags and respect red flags and rip currents
- ☐ Don't feed or touch monkeys, dogs or cats (rabies risk)
- ☐ Avoid homemade arak and cheap mystery cocktails
- ☐ Keep your phone and bag on the side away from the road

SHOW RESPECT

- ☐ Step around the offerings (canang sari) on the ground
- ☐ Wear a sarong and sash in temples and cover your shoulders
- ☐ Never climb shrines or temple walls for photos
- ☐ Give way to ceremonies and processions on the road
- ☐ Use your right hand to give and receive

IF SOMETHING GOES WRONG

- ☐ 112: emergency number
- ☐ Note the nearest clinic or hospital to where you are staying
- ☐ Have your insurer's 24-hour number and policy number to hand
- ☐ Know where your embassy or consulate is

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