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Never Travel With More Than A Carry-On, By Packing The Right Gear



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Seasoned travelers never have more than a carry-on no matter how long the trip. GETTY

Seasoned travelers never travel with more than a carry-on suitcase. No matter how long the trip or how far the destination. People always ask how that's possible. The key? Packing the right gear. Many travel items are bulky

in both weight and material and can take up plenty of space in your carry-on suitcase. The key is looking for items that weigh almost next to nothing and that can fold up into themselves into the size of a tissue packet. That way you can throw these items into your back and expand them as needed. These items are super useful on the road, and yet they take almost no room in my suitcase.

The [Ultralight Dry Stuff Pack](#) is ideal no matter the destination (beach, ski, or city). This pack takes up almost no space—it literally stuffs into its own pocket, so it's great to throw in any carry-on—but it's super useful on the road. The waterproof sealed seams mean everything inside stays dry (great on a boat or out in the rain) plus, the extra features like the zippered external compartment and the adjustable sternum straps make it super useful and comfortable.

The [Ultralight Stuff Duffel](#) has a padded shoulder strap (ideal for day trips) and the external zippered pocket is great for keeping things handy (like your phone and wallet). It also takes up no space, since it stuffs down inside its own pocket so you can leave it in your carry-on until you used it.

The [Ultralight Stuff pack](#) can be thrown into your carry-on last minute and is about the size of a pack of tissues. It weighs less than four ounces and yet is ideal on road. It unzips into a good size backpack with a mesh side for a water bottle. It has a top pocket perfect for your wallet and cell phone.

A [waist pack](#) is another good way to travel. This packable one is super light and has two zippered compartments, great for your passport, credit cards, important papers and some cash. When you're not using it, the pack folds into its own pocket. The pack is also earth-friendly as it's made of recycled fabrics. The [daylite waist](#) is a sturdier waist option and comes with DWR coating. The [Arcane waist](#) is a fashionable pack and can be worn around the waist or slung across over the shoulder and has an adjustable hipbelt.

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To protect all your waterproof items, the [dry sack](#) has a roll-top waterproof closure, waterproof fabric and seams and a rectangular form great for packing in gear.

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If you're taking a laptop, the [Arcane laptop sleeve](#), is super lightweight, very durable and streamlined so it's easy to slip into your carry-on. It's padded well, to ensure that there is no breakage when dropped or juggle around while traveling. It has an external zippered document pocket which is ideal for passports and notebooks. The pass-through luggage and carry handle means it can easily connect to your carry-on suitcase. The side grab handle is a nice feature to grab and go if you're on the run.



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If you're bringing multiple cases for your phone, the [Otter + Pop Symmetry Series](#) case makes it easy to remove and install and the slender case takes up almost no room. Plus, there's a silver-based antimicrobial additive integrated into the case that helps inhibit microbial growth and defends the case exterior against common bacteria—which is especially prudent during this time.

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