



# Stop luggage turning into heavy baggage.

## Top tips for efficient packing

If you're struggling to cram all those essential just-in-case outfits into your bag, here are some tips to make packing for your holiday a little easier.

### Reduce by a third

We've all done it - packed four pairs of shorts and then only worn one pair all holiday. Don't make the cardinal sin of over-packing. Lay all of your clothes on the bed and be ruthless - aim to get rid of a third.

### Breathing room

This isn't a pre-flight meditation technique - we're talking about your case. There's no denying that when you return you'll be packing some serious souvenirs for your friends and family - just leave enough room!

### Towel on top

What's the first thing everyone wants to do when they get to the hotel? Go to the beach, of course! Make life easier by packing your towel last - not only will it mean a quick turnaround from landing to lounge, but it will also cover any loose clothing in your case. Win-win!

### Use a vacuum pack

They're cheap to buy and don't actually need a vacuum - just roll the air out. They keep all of your clothes packed neatly together and protect them from any spillages.

Beware, your clothes may appear to shrink but they'll still weigh the same. Know your baggage allowance.

### Clever accessorising

A few well-chosen accessories, rather than entire extra outfits, will keep you prepared for any unexpected holiday occasions. Think fancy flip-flops, a beautiful scarf or tie, a smart belt or some fashion jewellery to give your outfit some oomph.

### Wear your heavy items

How many clothes can you wear at once? On a serious note, make sure you wear your heaviest boots and pack your lightest flip flops. Not only will you save space in your case, you'll also save on baggage allowance.

### Useful links

Holiday Extras  
[www.holidayextras.com](http://www.holidayextras.com)  
[www.holidayextras.co.uk/packing-tips.html](http://www.holidayextras.co.uk/packing-tips.html)  
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