

WHAT TO PACK ON YOUR GOLF TRIP TO IRELAND

Packing a bag for a golf trip can be made very easy or very hard! To make things a little easier we would like to outline a range of items to pack that can cater for almost all occasions. **Please only travel with soft golf carry cases.** The main advantages to using soft cover bags are that they are easier to pack and they will also fit into the Luxury Mercedes V Class vehicles driven by the St Andrews Golf Travel team! We would recommend buying two or three zip-bag clothing organisers and pack your clothes into those bags. The bags are soft and shaped like a box. Also, it's easy to tightly pack a number of golf shirts and etc. Plus, the bags are simple to organise easy to put into your golf travel bag for overflow clothing.

LIGHT PACKING INTO THE IN-FLIGHT CARRY-ON BAG:

Suggestion - Pack two pairs of dark polyester microfiber pants and wear the third on the plane. Black is a good colour to hide coffee stains, chocolate, crumbs and you can always buy a pack of baby wipes to clean off those stains! One or two golf shirts and wear another on the plane. We'd suggest buying one or two more shirts along the way from your favourite golf courses. Certainly, wear the sweater on board. For adverse weather, do pack one pair of under armour long pants and an under armour shirt. Also, don't forget a pair of black shorts. All of this can be worn underneath rainwear and perfect for rotten conditions.

Add in some casual wear, a couple of tee shirts, a pair of jeans, and one or two dress shirts for nights out. As golfers get older, pack a few cotton handkerchiefs. The hankie maybe very useful for nose wiping during wet, cold, windy, or allergen-dense rounds. Add in four or five pairs of socks and undies for four days. Please do use the hotel laundry service or your playing partners might not like playing with you at the end of the week! Wash bag; toothpaste and toothbrush and pack your dental floss. A razor blade, eye drops and don't forget your medications. Additional band aids and tape for blisters. Please do avoid packing any liquids or gels bigger than 100mls into your hand luggage. As airport security will take any liquids or gels more than 100mls from you as you pass through airport security.

THE GOLF CLUBS TRAVEL BAG:

Especially pack two pairs of waterproof golf shoes, one rain suit, one or two golf gloves and only pair of rain gloves are needed. Pack a rain hat, a bucket hat for the sun and a trusty baseball cap. Indeed, do add sunblock for your nose, face and any exposed skin to avoid the wind burn.

MORE OR LESS GOLF STUFF!

Certainly travelling from North America, you will need a type plug adapter for UK and Ireland. Please don't forget your phone charger and a mini-power strip. There is never enough empty plugs for all your stuff to run! Do pack Earplugs, as these can be handy for a roommate snoring! You don't need to pack for every occasion. Keep the bag light and before you pack think "do I really need to take this?"

Do clean out your golf bag before you pack. Chiefly, you might find a lot of stuff you don't need to pack. Such as; too many golf tees, divot tools, extra balls, extra bag tags hanging from the golf bag and etc.

APRÈS GOLF AT THE 19TH HOLE:

Notably, wearing Jeans and tee shirts are fine to wear out and about. Jackets, shirts, and ties are typically are not required unless you are playing Muirfield and enjoying the members clubhouse lunch after golf. Here you will require a coat and tie. Tipping in Scottish bars is not common practice; however, do watch out for mandatory service charges from restaurants for large groups for dinner.

MORE AND MORE!

Meds If you are playing a lot of golf, your body may need some extra help to remain injury-free and pain-free. Don't forget your medications to help your body make it through those extra rounds of golf!

Cash - Ireland uses the Euro and Northern Ireland GBP. We recommend you visit your local bank and take out the currency amount that you need for caddies and etc (please refer to your itinerary for further info on caddies)

PACKING LIST FOR A GOLF TOUR TO IRELAND 7 DAYS

- 2 x Microfibre pants plus the pants on the plane and black colour
- 4 x Microfibre shirts,
- 6 x socks & undies
- 1 x argyle sweater
- 2 x pairs of golf shoes
- 1 x Gortex rain pants & jacket
- 2 x pairs of golf shorts
- 1 x under Armour cold gear leggings and mock shirt
- 1 x rain gloves
- 2 x plastic sealing bags to project wallet and electronics
- 2 x normal gloves
- The number of balls you should pack will depend on how you play golf
- 1 x pack of playing cards
- 1 x jeans & a few tee shirts for the 19th hole
- 1 x Jacket, Shirt & Tie if you are playing golf at Muirfield
- 1 x belt or pants straps

Take extra meds and all your the wash bag stuff that can be packed either in your carry-on or golf travel bag

Sun block for sun and windburn or any type of burn

Have a great time in Ireland!

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