

Packing For Your Pet

Used in conjunction with The Caribbean Pet Guide by Kathleen Gallagher, available on the Doyle Guides mobile app.

It may be helpful to store and organize items in labeled plastic containers or pouches so they can be easily located when it is time to go.



Documentation

- Medical records, core vaccination records, and documents
- Last two rabies official vaccination certificates
- Certificate of microchip with anatomical location and implantation date before rabies vaccination
- Spay or neuter certificate
- Test results / records of treatments administered
- Proof of ownership
- Current photo of pet
- Vessel ID tag for pet
- Starlink and a printer are helpful if traveling by sea

Safety & Medications

- First-Aid Kit
- Tick remover tool
- Medications
- Water purification tablets in case of emergency
- Monthly flea / tick / heartworm preventatives

Restraints

- IATA Travel Crate – easier to buy in major countries
- Non-slip lead – Since some pets get skittish or spooked in a new environment, we recommend that you have a non-slip lead when letting your pet out for exercise or a bathroom break.
- 6-foot leash for your dog when on an island. This length is mandated in some areas.
- Floatable leash: A leash with a float on one end allows you to let your dog go swimming without the worry of the leash dangling underwater and getting tangled in something. If you are concerned about your pet's swimming abilities, a floating leash allows you to get to them quickly.
- Life jacket
- Backpack to carry small dog or cat or foldable pet stroller

Comfort & Grooming

- Grooming tools (ex. furminator brush)
- A dog nail dremel, also known as a nail grinder, is a tool used to safely and effectively trim a dog's nails by grinding them down instead of cutting them. It is helpful to keep a dog or cat's nails short when on board for gripping and non-scratching.

- Eco-friendly potty bags
- Sleeping bed
- Pet-safe shampoo
- Pet wipes
- Towels, towels, and more towels
- Small vacuum for pet hair

Food & Toys

- Plenty of food, favorite treats, and water
- Chew toys + dental care items
- Toys for mental stimulation; Take a selection of your dog's favorite chew toys to keep them happy and prevent them from unwanted chewing on the boat.
- Collapsible bowls

Additional Recommendations

- Non-slip mat: This is especially useful on fiberglass boats where the decks can be slippery to dogs. They will feel more secure and relaxed if they aren't slipping about when they walk.
- Yeti Rambler Jug – These insulated jugs hold the temperature all day and longer. The jug has a large lid for wide-open access.
- Yeti Dog Bowl - Yeti bowls are nonskid and resist tipping. They are insulated and maintain the temperature of your dog's food or water.
- Tough Trail® Dog Travel Tote Kit by Orvis - This tote is your dog's one-and-done. It holds food bags, bowls, and has pouches for treats, toys, and poop bags.
- Bicycle and a travel seat or basket for your pet. This is a handy way to travel around an island and get to your land destinations with your pet. You will want to acclimate your pet to this mode of transport well in advance of using it.

