

■ Traveling with Kids: Car Ride Checklist

■ Hotel Bag (Pack Separately!)

- Pajamas for each person
- Toothbrushes + travel-size toiletries
- One change of clothes per person
- Chargers (phone/watch)
- Book or comfort item for bedtime
- Sound machine / sleep aid if used
- Swimsuits (for hotel pool!)
- Flip-flops or easy shoes

■ Snack Station

- Cooler with healthy snacks (fruit, string cheese, yogurt tubes)
- Dry snacks (crackers, trail mix, granola bars)
- Water bottles for each person
- Fun “treat” snack for long stretches
- Napkins + wet wipes
- Reusable snack containers / zip bags
- Gum or mints (for motion sickness or ear popping)

■ Activity Bag

- Books / audiobooks
- Road trip games (printables or travel-sized)
- Tablets + headphones (charged!)
- Sticker books or activity pads
- Crayons + small notebooks
- Fidget toys or magnetic puzzles
- Blanket or stuffed animal

■ Car Cleaning Supplies

- Trash bags (extra!)
- Wet wipes & baby wipes
- Paper towels
- Stain remover pen
- Travel-size air freshener
- Hand sanitizer
- Mini vacuum or car brush
- Laundry bag for dirty clothes

■ End-of-the-Day Treats

- Hotel with a pool ■
- Fun local dessert stop ■
- Family movie night on the hotel TV

- Glow sticks or night-time scavenger hunt
- Surprise “travel gift” (like a new book or toy)
- Family gratitude moment before bed ■