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THE COMPLETE ROADIAR TO BECOMING A DIGITAL NOMAD





Congratulations to the 10,000 soon-to-be digital nomads reading this guide!

You have just made one of the best decisions of your life.

You have chosen a life of freedom, adventure, appreciation, and courage. The next stage of your life will be full of new countries, exotic cuisine, friends from all over the world, and incredible memories you will cherish forever.

You're bursting with excitement at the thought of waking up near a beach in Mexico or a grand city in Europe. You can already picture your life as a digital nomad, working from your computer out of the hippest cafes in the area or admiring the unique architecture of your new temporary home.

How do you get started with becoming a digital nomad, though?

You have your remote job already lined up and ready to go. Now it's time to figure out where your first destination will be, how to pack your bag, and what you need to wrap up at home before you step on that plane.

You're probably feeling pretty lonely right about now.

Who can you turn to for help with making the transition into a digital nomad lifestyle?

Who is going to guide you through the process and ensure you don't make a mistake?

I distinctly remember the exact moment I decided to become a digital nomad. I had been living in Philadelphia for six years, working remotely as a freelance writer for two of those. I never particularly loved Philly and dreamed of European cities, beaches with white sand, and working from quaint cafes with delicate pastries.

I had just gotten out of a long-term relationship and **craved a new beginning.** There wasn't anything holding me to the city anymore. So, I decided to look up flights to Barcelona and research AirBnB listings throughout Spain, France, and Italy. After seeing just how affordable these areas were and the beautiful places I could stay, it was then I decided to transition into a digital nomad lifestyle. There was a feeling of urgency after I made my decision. It was now or never!

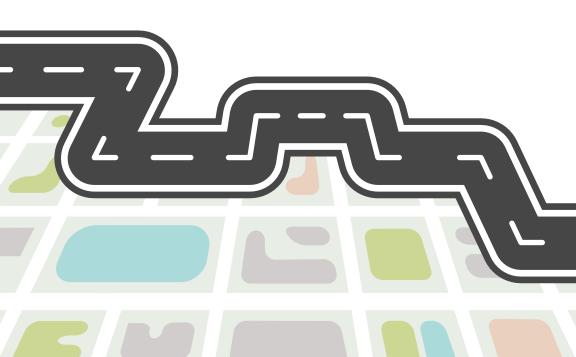
I moved all of my belongings back to my parents' house and two weeks later I was on my way to Barcelona with a one-way ticket.

While my experience was rushed and pretty spur of the moment, there are things that I wish I did differently. I wish I had prepared myself, my business, and my mentality better before making the transition.

This is why I've created this complete roadmap just for you! I've already made the big mistakes so you don't have to.

At Nomads Embassy, the world's first embassy for digital nomads, we created a step-by-step checklist to make sure you do everything you need before you jet off into your new lifestyle in three months for less.

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What is the Digital Nomad Lifestyle Really Like?

I would bet \$1,000 that when you think of a digital nomad you picture someone sitting in a lounge chair on the beach working from a computer in their lap. Maybe they have an ice-cold beer next to them too, right?

This is the image that pops into most peoples' minds when they hear of someone who works remotely and travels the world. This stereotype has stigmatized the digital nomad lifestyle to be portrayed as lazy and irresponsible.

There have been quite a few times people have made snarky comments about how I'm always "on vacation" and how I "probably never work." And while this certainly can be your lifestyle if it's what you want, for most digital nomads this isn't their reality.

A majority of digital nomads spend most of their days working, just like you would at home or in an office! The only differences are instead of going to your favorite restaurant for happy hour after work, you may hang out on the beach and you also have flexibility to choose which hours you work.

We like to think of the digital nomad lifestyle as pretty much like normal life except you choose where to work and spend your free time traveling.

A digital nomad lifestyle can look different for everyone. Some nomads enjoy moving to a new place every week, every couple of weeks, or every few months. It all depends on preference!

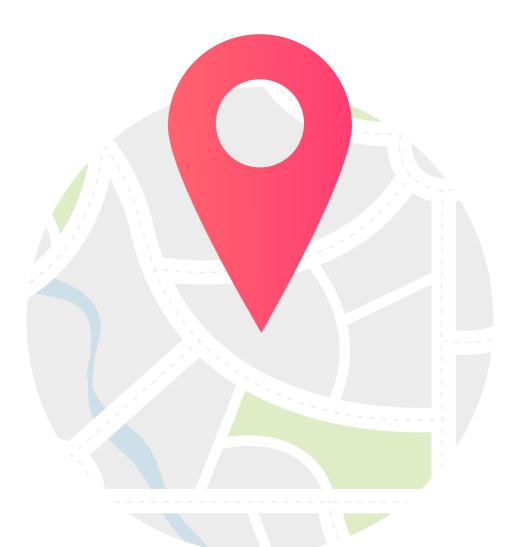
> I personally enjoy spending a month in one place so I really get to know my surroundings and make it feel like home for a little while.

It's important to note that while you have the freedom to work the hours you want and spend your time as you wish, it tests your self-discipline. You must be motivated and determined to make a living abroad.

Remember, the more you work and earn while abroad, the longer you can keep traveling!

All in all, **the digital nomad lifestyle is what you make of it!** This is your time to create a life that brings you happiness - one that you can be proud of.





3 Months Before Departure

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You're ready to start planning and preparing for your new and exciting life as a digital nomad!

These next three months are critical to set yourself up for a successful digital nomad lifestyle. Get ready to spend a lot of time researching, preparing, and asking questions.

Secure Your Remote Job 🍟

For the purpose of this guide, we are going to assume you already have a source of income working remotely set up. (Finding a remote job is a whole other guide that we wrote!)

Visit <u>nmds.me/remote-jobs-guide</u> to download "The Ultimate Guide to Finding an Online Job in 48 Hours"

You're probably already working remotely at this point and have gotten into the groove of it. But now it's time to take it up a notch.

Stabilize Your Income

Whether you are employed, freelancing, or have your own online business, it's important to have a semi-stable monthly income. Before you jet off to a new country, you'll want to **make sure you are making enough income** to support yourself while living abroad.

Pro Tip: These next three months are a great time to put money into savings as a safety net for those months your income may fall short.

This can be done a number of ways:

- Secure the number of hours you'll work
- Build up your book of clients
- Increase revenue with a new strategy
- Take on a side job with minimal commitment

For freelancers and business owners, **keep your business growing by implementing a referral system** for your current clients. This is an easy way to attract new leads and make more sales with little effort.

Once you have a better idea of how much you will make per month, you can set a daily budget for your travels. This budget will tell you how much you can spend on rent, food, and activities per day and keep you from overspending.

Bonus: Download our <u>Digital Nomad Budget Planner</u> to instantly calculate your daily budget and keep track of what you have already spent.

Create Processes to Increase Productivity

You don't want your digital nomad lifestyle to be more difficult than it has to be, right?

Before you leave on your grand adventure, **spend some time creating work processes** so you increase your productivity and have efficient workflows.

For example, create customizable email templates such as cold emails to increase your freelance business or establish a routine of tasks you know have to be done daily or weekly.

Start practicing ways you can make your workday easier and more efficient. You'll thank yourself when you find that you have a couple extra hours left in the day to explore your new home instead of working late to finish a project.

Don't we all want to produce more while working less?

It can be hard to stay productive as a digital nomad, which is why Nomads Embassy wrote The Digital Nomads Handbook to Increasing Productivity just for you!

Visit <u>nmds.me/productivity-guide-download</u> for your copy!

Boost Your Skills

You are never done learning.

I hope I'm not the first to break this news to you. If I am, you'll thank me later.

As a digital nomad, it is your responsibility to continue your education by reading books, taking online courses, and earning specialized certifications within your industry.

When you educate yourself in your industry and dive deeper into your field, you'll notice an increase in your business. With specialized certifications and knowledge that others lack, you will stand out from your competition. Therefore you **gain more clients, enhance** your business, and earn more money!

Within these next three months, determine which skills you could benefit from learning.

You know that marketing course you've had in your shopping cart since last year? Now is the time to finally start it!

Of course, you can always take courses and learn while living abroad, but wouldn't you rather spend your time exploring?

Officially Establish Your Business

If you are a freelancer or a business owner and haven't already established an official business entity, now may be the time to start.

Depending on the type of company you open, the process can be very confusing. However, having tax cuts and breaks is a great incentive to go through the process.

In fact, Nomads Embassy has a list of selected services that will help walk you through the process of opening your business, either in your home country or a foreign country with even better tax benefits.

For assistance opening a digital nomad friendly business, visit <u>nmds.me/business-services</u>

Sign Up for a Travel Credit Card

If you don't have one already, sign up for a travel credit card.

As a digital nomad, you will be more likely to use the benefits from points earned with a travel credit card than any other card because of your constant traveling.

Just think, you may get your next flight for free!

I suggest you find a card with the following features:

- No foreign transaction fees
- 24/7 support worldwide
- Optimal points for travel
- Multiplied points on specific purchases
- Complimentary add-ons

Along with having a travel credit card, it's a great way to start building your credit if you haven't started already and it provides a financial safety net in case of emergencies.

There are a lot of travel credit cards to choose from, so I narrowed down some of the best for digital nomads:

- Chase Sapphire Reserve
- Capital One Venture Rewards
- Citi Prestige Card
- The Platinum Card from American Express
- American Express Green Card

Of course, these are just suggestions and you should do your own research to find the card that best fits your preferences and lifestyle.

Establish Strong Daily Routines 🧉

You're probably wondering what establishing daily routines has to do with becoming a digital nomad. Routines actually separate the successful from the unsuccessful when it comes to digital nomads.

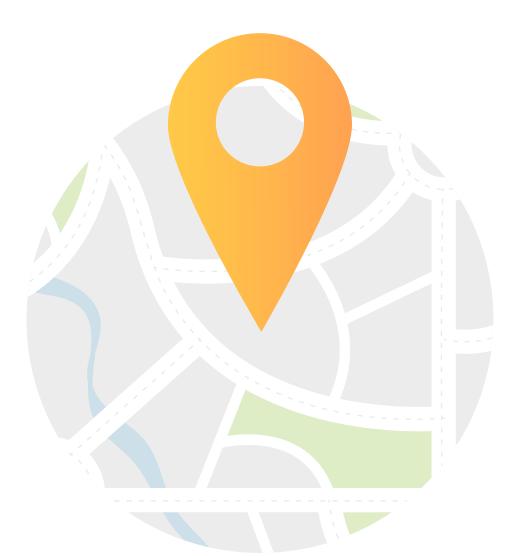
When you're waking up in a new country or city every few weeks, it's easy to become distracted by your surroundings, which then keeps you from working. Establishing strong routines (that work for you!) is essential before departing for your digital nomad lifestyle. If you don't know where to begin, **start by setting a morning routine.** This is the perfect time to set the tone for your day.

Don't immediately pick up your phone when you first wake up and scroll through social media aimlessly. Use your morning to set your intentions for the day; stretch, meditate, make a to-do list, read a book, etc.

I personally start my day by drinking a large glass of water before doing a 15-minute yoga flow. Afterwards, I have breakfast, complete with a hot cup of coffee, while <u>listening to</u> <u>an audiobook</u>. Finally, I make my bed, wash my face, and brush my teeth. Then I'm ready to start my day!

Once you have your routines in place and can truly stick to them, your transition into a digital nomad lifestyle will be so much easier. You'll stay focused, motivated, and have a grasp of some normalcy when you wake up in your new apartment halfway across the world.





2.5 Months Before Departure

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Just a couple of months from your planned departure, it's time to officially become part of the digital nomad world and see it in action.

Join Nomads Embassy: The Official Global Digital Nomad Network

The key to being successful is to surround yourself with people you admire and who you strive to be. Famously said by Jim Rohn, you are the average of the five people who you spend the most time with.

What better way to do that than to become part of an online community of digital nomads?

When you join the exclusive <u>Nomads Embassy Facebook</u> <u>community</u>, you'll have access to the most relevant digital nomad content. Experienced nomads will answer any questions you may have about the lifestyle, where you should go next, and more.

Read through posts and see where people are in the world to gain inspiration on what you want your digital nomad life to look like. Participate in conversations and connect with fellow digital nomads.

Who knows? You may even meet up with someone in your first destination!

Join Nomads Embassy's Facebook community at <u>www.facebook.com/groups/nomadsembassy</u>



Decide Your Destination

The world is yours, but where will you go?

You're probably feeling quite overwhelmed with where to go for your first destination as a digital nomad. It sounds tempting to spin a globe and go wherever your finger lands, right?

While that would be quite the adventure, **some destinations aren't entirely digital nomad friendly.** It's important to research which destinations are fit for your chosen lifestyle.

What makes a destination great for digital nomads?

- Low cost of living
- Great wifi
- No car required
- Good weather
- Digital nomad community

Narrow down your choices by choosing a certain part of the world you feel particularly drawn to and has multiple countries you would like to visit. This makes it convenient and cost-efficient to travel to a number of places on your travel bucket list.

There are popular digital nomad hubs around the world where nomads flock. These hubs are great starting points as they are considered digital nomad friendly so you don't have to spend hours researching.

Top Digital Nomad Destinations

- Chiang Mai, Thailand
- Tbilisi, Georgia
- Medellin, Colombia
- Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam
- Budapest, Hungary
- Mexico City, Mexico
- Barcelona, Spain

Of course, there are plenty of other destinations that are great for digital nomads.

Nomads Embassy makes it easy to decide where you should go next with curated Destination Guides. Written by nomads who have experienced living in each destination, you'll learn everything there is to know about where to stay, where to eat, and what to do for fun.

For full access to Nomads Embassy's Destination Guides, visit <u>nmds.me/destination-guides</u>

Join Local Digital Nomad and Expat Communities

Now that you've decided on your destination, it's time to get to know the area.

Join local Facebook groups of digital nomads and expats in the destination you've decided. For example, search "Italians in Playa del Carmen" (if you're from Italy) or "Digital Nomads in Medellin."

This is a fantastic place to ask questions specifically about your destination. Members of these communities can tell you first hand which mobile service you should sign up for, the best coworking spaces, and recommend services they've personally used.

Don't be shy!

Introduce yourself and let everyone know you're coming soon. You can also ask to meet up with people when you arrive so you already have a sense of community and belonging to your new destination.

Here's a great icebreaker to introduce yourself:

"Hi everyone! Thank you for accepting me in the community! I am X , from Y. I do Z, and I'm looking for K/interested in K If you wanna connect just comment below!

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Research Visa Requirements 👀

Visas.

It's a word digital nomads despise. Depending on where your passport is from, you can usually get by with using a tourist visa when traveling as a digital nomad. However, if you want to stay in a country longer than your tourist visa allows, you'll want to apply for a visa.

This can be a very complicated and confusing process when done on your own, especially if you don't speak the language of your destination. Many nomads give up and simply find ways around getting a visa - even if it means leaving their destination early.

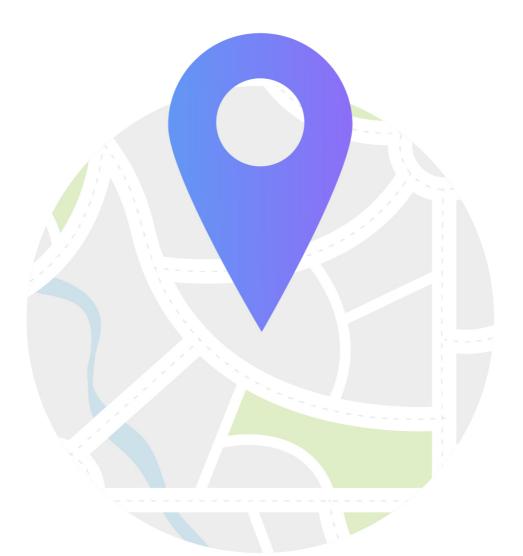
To first see if a visa is required for your destination, contact your home country's embassy. You will then contact your destination's embassy or consulate to begin the application process.

While some visas can be easy to receive there are others that are very complicated or expensive.

For complicated cases or if you don't want to go through the process alone, you can use Nomads Embassy Visa Services to have your application professionally filed and reviewed so you have a greater chance of getting approved.

For more information about visa services visit <u>nmds.me/visa-services</u>





2 Months Before Departure

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With just a couple of months left before you depart, it's time to start making your transition into a digital nomad lifestyle reality.

I still think back to the months leading up to my own transition into the digital nomad lifestyle. I was constantly worried that I was making the wrong decision or forgetting something super important. If I had a step-by-step guide like this, I know I would have been more confident and prepared to become a digital nomad.

Find a Place to Live

Your digital nomad transition doesn't officially begin until you've booked your first accommodation. Unlike tourists and vacationers, **digital nomads have a different set of requirements** when booking a place to stay.

Many digital nomads have different preferences when it comes to how they live. Some enjoy staying in an apartment alone while others like to live in a bustling hostel or coliving space.

No matter what setting you thrive in, it should have the following features:

- Strong WiFi
- Convenient Location
- Work-Friendly Environment
- Focused Ambiance
- Clean and Hygienic
- Friendly Staff

Some great sites to use when searching for your place include:

- AirBnB
- Hostelworld
- Booking.com

You can also ask members in the local digital nomad/expat community if they know of any properties available to rent in a good location.

The most important thing when considering a place to live is that you can stay focused and be productive. Remember, the number one thing about being a digital nomad is that you work while traveling!

Book Your Flight

The time has come.

You're ready to **seal your fate as a digital nomad** with your purchase of a one-way plane ticket. For many, this is the first time you're buying a one-way ticket, but don't let that scare you!

A one-way ticket is the best way to begin your digital nomad lifestyle because it gives you ultimate freedom and flexibility. You are not bound by a set date of when you have to leave your destination. If you enjoy the country you're in, you can choose to stay longer. If you find you would like to visit your next destination sooner, you can!

Remember, you always have the option to buy a ticket back home but we sure hope you don't.

Finding Cheap Tickets

A lot of people believe flights cost an arm and a leg. It simply isn't true!

You can find insanely affordable tickets if you know where and when to look.

I'm personally proud of the roundtrip ticket I booked from New York to Rome for just \$325.

PRO TIP:

To increase your chances of finding a cheap ticket do the following:

- Buy your ticket 7 weeks before the departure date
- Keep your dates flexible
- Clear all cookies from all your browsers
- Use an incognito browser
- Use major airports

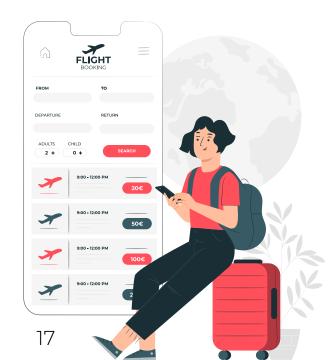
Remember to include baggage and any other fees the airline may charge into the total price of your ticket.

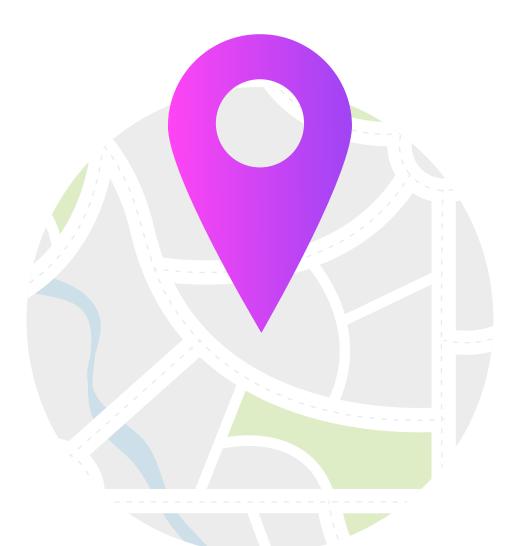
If you have a travel credit card, now is a great time to start using your rewards too.

Our Favorite Places to Find Cheap Flights:

- SkyScanner
- Google Flights

Affordable flights are out there, you just have to take the time to search for them.





1.5 Months Before Departure

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You've officially chosen and booked your first digital nomad destination. It's all becoming so real!

Now it's time to get down to the nitty-gritty and really prepare to leave.

Buy a Digital Nomad Health Insurance Policy

Ugh, I know, nobody likes to talk about health insurance. But it's one of those things that can't be ignored, especially as a digital nomad.

You probably think you don't need it. You're relatively healthy and don't have any issues, why would you need to spend money on a health insurance policy you probably won't use?

Despite sounding like your parents, it's better to be safe than sorry.

If you're half as adventurous as some of our members, you probably enjoy tasting local cuisine, going on long beautiful hikes, jumping from cliffs for that indescribable adrenaline rush, or hop on a motorbike to explore your city. It's better to have some insurance to cover you in case of an accident or unexpected illness!

You'll be on the road for quite a while, which means you're going to miss some pretty important annual doctor appointments, too.

With digital nomad health insurance, you can go for your routine exams even while living abroad. It also covers accidents, illness, and sometimes prescriptions.

The Difference Between Travel and Health Insurance

Now you may be wondering, what is the difference between travel insurance and health insurance as a digital nomad?

Travel insurance offers coverage of travel-related mishaps such as delayed flights and lost luggage. It's meant for short-term coverage for vacations. While most of these plans do offer coverage of health-related expenses, it's mainly for emergencies and accidents.

Health insurance for digital nomads is similar to your normal health insurance, which covers routine doctor visits, prescription

medication coverage, and more, but works around the world. Some plans do cover travel-related mishaps such as lost luggage or stolen property, though.

Do Your Research

Buying digital nomad health insurance isn't as easy as buying a plane ticket. It involves a lot of research. You'll want to read policies closely and fully understand what is covered.

Read reviews of the company and weigh the benefits of each policy.

Factors to Consider

Before purchasing your digital nomad health insurance policy, you should know what to consider when comparing and reading the fine print.

- **Premium** The amount you'll pay upfront for coverage
- **Deductible** The amount you're responsible for when seeking medical assistance
- **Pre Existing Conditions** Make sure they are covered by the policy
- Prescription Medications Does it cover some or all of the price?
- Coverage Restrictions Some accidents or events may be uninsured

To find a digital nomad health insurance plan perfect for your needs, visit <u>nmds.me/insurance-services</u>

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Purge! Purge! Purge!

There are two ways to prepare for the digital nomad lifestyle when it comes to your physical belongings.

- 1. Store the items you won't take with you.
- 2. Get rid of everything you own except for what you are taking with you.

Sure, the second option sounds pretty extreme, but we swear people actually do it! There are digital nomads who travel the world with everything they own (save for a few sentimental items they've left at their parents' house) in their backpack or suitcase.

Whichever option you choose, you'll likely want to get rid of some things before you depart for your digital nomad life.

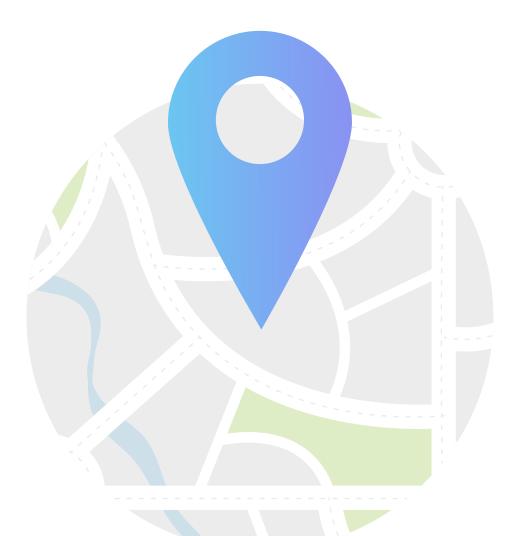
We suggest selling items you know you won't need, such as your car, furniture, clothes with the tags still on them, etc. You can then use this money for your travels or to put away in your safety net savings.

What you can't sell, donate!

Think of this purge as a rebirth into your new digital nomad life.

You're leaving behind the things you once used and loved in your old lifestyle where you drove to the office every day or picked up shifts on the weekends. It's time to **enter your new lifestyle with a brand new mentality** and the weight of these items taken off your shoulders.

The digital nomad lifestyle is not focused on material possession. Instead, experiences and moments are valued much more than the latest style of shoes you're wearing.



1 Month Before Departure

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It's coming down to the final weeks before you fully embrace the transition into your digital nomad lifestyle. You've done a lot already, but there is still more to do!

At this stage, I'm running around all over town trying to get everything in order to leave. A month goes by much faster when you have important things to do. Usually, this is when I start dreaming about showing up to the airport without my suitcase or missing my flight.

This won't be you, though! With this guide, you know you have done everything you need before leaving for your digital nomad lifestyle.

Prepare Your Suitcase 🔤

What does one pack as a digital nomad?

You sit on your bed looking around your room trying to image what you could possibly need while traveling the world indefinitely.

Honestly, the only things you really need to be a digital nomad are

- Passport
- Computer
- Charger
- Phone
- Underwear
- Socks
- Shoes

The rest you can buy while you're abroad!

My number one piece of advice is to **pack lightly.** You don't want to be weighed down by two large suitcases, a duffle bag, and a backpack, especially if you plan to move often.

There are many styles of traveling as a digital nomad.

Some prefer to only bring a backpack, which makes picking up and moving much easier. Others prefer to bring a full suitcase, while others like to practice minimalism and only pack a carryon. Consider the type of traveler you'd like to be as a digital nomad when deciding what to bring.

As you start thinking about what you should pack, there are a few things to think about.

The first is weather. Pack for the type of weather you will be encountering. Now, this can be difficult when the seasons change while you're abroad. Expect to do some shopping for new clothing during your travels.

Secondly, think about the type of activities you'll do. If you're someone who enjoys nature and hiking or sporty activities, make sure to pack the right shoes and clothing.

Lastly, try to create a wardrobe that is interchangeable. Choose a color scheme so you can create multiple outfits with just a few items of clothing.

It's always a good idea to read about what other travelers brought with them to your destination. Research packing lists and the weather to get a better idea. You may even find something you never would have thought of before.

Remember, you can always buy something you need when you are abroad. Only bring the items you absolutely need to take from home.

The Nomad Life Test 📈

Many people feel overwhelmed or anxious about the thought of living out of a suitcase for months or years at a time. You'll always have the feeling of "I'm forgetting something" sitting in the pit of your stomach.

Now that you have an idea what you want to take with you into your new digital nomad lifestyle, **put it to the test.**

For one week, only use the items that you will be taking with you. If you notice there are things you aren't using, don't bring them. If you notice there are things you miss and want to use, bring them!

Not only will this help you pack your suitcase, but it will help you learn something about yourself, such as what material possessions you truly value and what items you find comforting or a luxury.





2 Weeks Before Departure

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It's now down to just two weeks before you leave and your excitement is boiling - along with thoughts crowding your brain about what you still have yet to do.

Don't worry! In just 14 short days you're going to be living your best nomadic life.

Wrap Things Up at Home 🏭

Just as if you were going on vacation, there are some things you have to wrap up at home before you leave.

Cancel Subscriptions and Memberships

It's time to start saving yourself some money and cancel memberships and subscriptions you will no longer use.

- Gym Membership
- Magazine Subscriptions
- Cable Subscription
- Car Insurance
- Renters Insurance
- Goods Subscriptions
- Service Subscriptions

You'll be surprised at how much money you were spending each month on your subscriptions and memberships.

Pro Tip: Cancel or lower your cell phone bill and make sure your phone is unlocked or paid off. As you travel to different countries, get a local SIM card. Many countries have tourist cards that are refillable and usually very affordable.

Notify Your Bank of Travel

You never want to be stuck in a foreign country without access to money.

This is a digital nomad's worst nightmare (other than having their laptop broken or stolen). Before you leave, make sure to notify your banks that you will be out of the country so they don't lock your card.

Keep a document of your banks' phone numbers, web chats, and email addresses you can contact if your card is locked or stolen at any point. It's always better to be prepared than to be stuck squandering for help.

Prepare Your Car

If you choose to keep your car while living as a digital nomad, you should prepare it to sit in one spot for a while.

Clean it out. Yes, even that old French fry at the bottom of your console you keep forgetting to throw away. You don't want a buggy welcome when you do eventually come home.

Ask someone to drive it around every other week or so to keep it active and running well. If you don't have anyone to do this, **disconnect your battery** the day before you leave.

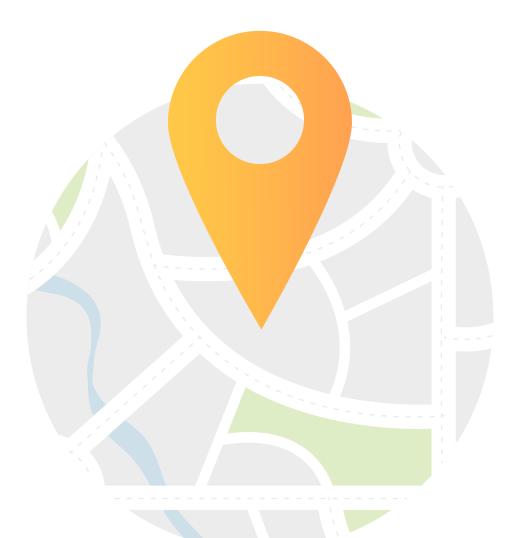
Get Together with Friends and Family 🔗

It's going to be a while before you see your friends and family in person again. Make time to get together with them before you depart.

Create a list of people you would like to see before you leave and schedule dates with them. Breakfast, lunch, happy hour, dinner, or a quick coffee in the park are perfect ways to connect and say goodbye.

Being a digital nomad can feel lonely at times, especially traveling on your own in a new country. Your friends and family back home will be your support network. They are who you will call when you're having a rough day or want to share a silly experience.

In some instances, your relationships may even grow stronger through weekly FaceTime calls and texts back and forth. Even though you're across an ocean and having the time of your life, it's important to **keep in touch with your loved ones while abroad.**



1 Week Before Departure

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We are down to the single digits!

In just seven days you will be fully transitioned into your digital nomad lifestyle, living in a foreign country, working hard, and having incredible experiences.

It's time to tie up the loose ends and get yourself ready to leave.

Buy Last Minute Items 🕄

You've already completed the Nomad Life Test to determine what you're bringing with you, but there are still a couple of things you need to buy. This is the time to do it!

Make a list of the items you still need. It could be toiletries, a new charger, pajamas, whatever it may be - go get them.

Pack Your Suitcase 🖬

This should be pretty easy, especially because you already prepared your suitcase a few weeks ago. You have already planned what you're bringing and know exactly what you do and don't need. Once you've bought your last minute items, it's time to pack it all into your bags.

There are a few ways to optimize space in your suitcase and bags.

I always **use vacuum seal travel bags to condense your clothing.** Strategically fold or roll your clothing to create even more space. Utilize pockets, smaller bags, and packing cubes to stay organized too.

It may take a few tries to pack your suitcase exactly how you want it. Once you have the perfect system, you're set to go.

Plan Your Route from the Airport to Your Accommodation

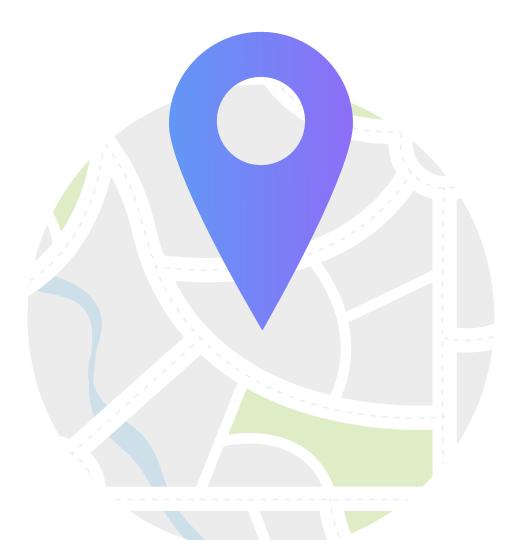
One of the most stressful things I find about traveling is getting from the airport to my accommodation. It always seems that the airport I'm flying into is in the middle of nowhere; not remotely close to where I need to be.

To keep from getting stuck and confused at the airport, tired and jet lagged, and overpaying for a cab ride to your accommodation, **research your route beforehand.**

Many airports have shuttles that will bring you into the center of the city. Others have public transportation lines you can take as well. You can hire a shuttle to take you to your accommodation. If renting through AirBnB, ask your host the easiest and most cost-efficient way to get from the airport to their property.

Once you've made your arrangements and have a plan in place, you can rest assured that you'll have a smooth arrival in your new temporary home.





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Today is your last day living a normal lifestyle. This time tomorrow, you will be departing on the greatest adventure of your life! As you get even more excited, there are only two things you have to do today.

The day before I leave for a months-long digital nomad journey, I take time to relax and enjoy the little things about home. I take my car for a long drive around town because the one thing I miss while living abroad is driving on familiar roads. I go through my checklist and make sure I have done everything on it. I repack my suitcase one last time. Lastly, I have a long dinner with my parents.

Check into Your Flight 💆

It's becoming official.

As you check into your flight, you seal your fate becoming a digital nomad. You have sent your official confirmation that you will be sitting in your assigned seat, buckled, and ready for take off.

Grab Your Passport 🕍

If there is one thing you absolutely need to begin your digital nomad lifestyle, it's your passport. You can forget your suitcase, your credit card, even your computer! **But you cannot forget your passport!** This is your real ticket to your journey of a lifetime.

The night before you depart, put it in your bag - somewhere safe! Right before you leave for the airport, check to make sure you have it, even if you know you put it there last night.

Pro Tip: Make two color copies of your passport. One to bring with you in case your passport is lost or stolen. The other one to leave with a trusted family member or friend back home. This will make the process of getting a replacement a little easier.



Beginning Your Digital Nomad Life

It's finally here!

You are embarking on a new stage of your life; a stage of freedom, adventure, and self-discovery.

The digital nomad lifestyle isn't for everyone.

You should feel extremely accomplished and proud of yourself for even going after this dream and spending the last three months preparing for this journey.

While you may be sitting on the plane and living in your accommodation by yourself, you are never truly alone. Nomads Embassy and our ambassadors are available 24/7 with answers to your questions, plus an entire community of digital nomads looking to connect and make friends.

Who knows, maybe one day along your journey you'll realize you need the Nomads Embassy Premium Membership for exclusive discounts and offers on services and travel.

Visit <u>www.nomadsembassy.com</u> for more resources to make the most out of your digital nomad lifestyle.

