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Travel

Pack for a Weekend away!

Professional organizer and *Shop Your Closet* author Melanie Charlton Fascitelli shares her five expert tips on traveling light



Rachel Bilson looks good on the go!

Rachel Bilson in a Nation Ltd. top and Sigerson Morrison sandals.

1 Choose clothes that can multitask Try to limit yourself to one outfit per day. Pack a great dress that will go day into night, or bring jeans and a top that can be dressed up or down with accessories.

2 Stick to space-saving fabrics Cotton, cotton blends, rayon, cashmere, wool blends and anything with stretch will hold its shape and fold up neatly. Opt for these over silk, which is thin but wrinkle-prone. Also, tailored jackets can be hefty. Fine-gauge sweaters are much less bulky.

3 Try to live with one pair of shoes Some women need heels, but there are many stylish flats and sandals out there that go with anything. It will save so much room.

4 Layer your bag Shoes go on the bottom, then jeans and heavier items, then more delicate items on top. This way you keep your clothes clean and avoid wrinkling.

5 Compartmentalize Toiletries should be securely closed and kept in separate plastic bags to prevent leaks. Lingerie bags can help protect delicate items from snags.

3 easy pieces

We followed Melanie's suggestions and found the most versatile, packable outfit around!



Thin & comfy cardigan
J.Crew
Featherweight cotton cardigan, \$59.50; 800-562-0258; jcrew.com



All-purpose dress
Ella Moss
"Athena" rayon-linen dress, \$177; 877-746-7267; shopbop.com



Chic, stashable sandals
Michael Antonio
"Ahlam" faux-leather and rhinestone sandals, \$30; 866-218-9936; endless.com

WRINKLE-FREE PACKING

“Put folded items into a plastic bag and squeeze out the air. It prevents excess creasing.”

—Melanie Charlton Fascitelli