

# Andaman Islands Packing List

Everything to pack for the Andaman Islands' tropical heat, reef snorkeling, and island-hopping ferry logistics — built to pair with Indroam's Andaman itinerary templates.

## WHY ANDAMAN PACKING IS DIFFERENT

The Andaman Islands are tropical year-round, with warm temperatures and high humidity, plus a clear monsoon season (roughly May–September) when ferry schedules between islands can be disrupted by rough seas. Because the main draws are coral reefs, beaches, and inter-island boat travel rather than monuments or cities, this list skews toward swim and snorkel gear, reef-safe sun protection, and the kind of light, packable layers that suit ferry transfers between Port Blair, Havelock (Swaraj Dweep), and Neil Island (Shaheed Dweep).

## CLOTHING

- Lightweight, breathable clothing for constant tropical heat and humidity
- Multiple swimwear sets — beach and water activities are the main focus most days
- A quick-dry rash guard or cover-up for snorkeling and sun protection in the water
- A light rain jacket or poncho for the May–September monsoon window
- Breezy daywear for ferry transfers and casual beachside dinners
- A light sarong or wrap — doubles as a towel, cover-up, or modesty layer

## FOOTWEAR & ACCESSORIES

- Water shoes or sturdy sandals for rocky beach entries and reef walks
- Flip-flops for general island wear
- Snorkeling mask if you prefer your own fit over rental gear
- Reef-safe sunscreen — mineral-based formulas reduce coral bleaching impact
- A dry bag for phones, cash, and electronics during boat transfers
- Polarized sunglasses for glare off the water

## HEALTH, DOCUMENTS & TECH

- Reef-safe, high-SPF sunscreen, reapplied frequently in tropical sun
- Aloe vera gel or after-sun lotion
- Motion-sickness tablets for inter-island ferry crossings
- Personal medication, since pharmacy options are limited outside Port Blair
- Photo ID — required for ferry bookings and some island permits
- Portable charger and a universal plug adapter (India: Type C/D/M) — power can be less reliable on smaller islands

Ferry schedules between islands can change with sea conditions, especially in monsoon months, so keep some flexibility in island-hopping plans.