

Mumbai–Goa Coastal Road Trip Packing List

What to pack for a multi-day Mumbai-to-Goa coastal drive — humid beach-town stops, long highway stretches, and a duffel bag that has to work harder than a suitcase.

WHY THIS ROAD TRIP'S PACKING IS DIFFERENT

A Mumbai–Goa road trip means days of variable car time broken up by beach towns, so the packing priority shifts from a wheeled suitcase to a soft duffel that's easy to load and unload at multiple stops. The Konkan coast is humid most of the year, with a heavy monsoon (June–September) that's scenic but not ideal for driving or beach time, while the post-monsoon-to-spring window stays warm and mostly dry. Add hill stretches, ferry crossings on some coastal routes, and casual beach-shack dining, and the list looks different from a single-city trip.

CLOTHING

- Lightweight, breathable clothing for humid coastal stops
- Quick-dry beachwear for stops in Alibaug, Ganpatipule, or Goa's beach towns
- A light rain jacket if traveling during or just after monsoon season
- A change of comfortable clothes specifically for long driving stretches
- One smart-casual outfit for a nicer dinner in Goa
- A light layer for air-conditioned car rides and breezy evening drives

FOOTWEAR & ACCESSORIES

- Comfortable slip-on shoes for easy in-and-out at fuel and food stops
- Flip-flops or sandals for beach towns along the way
- Sunglasses for long daytime highway stretches
- A neck pillow or cushion for overnight or multi-hour drives
- A soft duffel bag rather than a hard suitcase — easier to pack in and out of a car at multiple stops
- A cooler bag or insulated pouch for snacks and drinks on the road

HEALTH, DOCUMENTS & TECH

- Motion-sickness tablets for winding coastal-highway stretches, especially through the Western Ghats sections
- Sunscreen SPF 30+ for beach stops along the way
- A basic first-aid kit and any personal medication
- Phone mount and car charger for navigation on long highway stretches
- Printed or downloaded offline maps as backup — signal can drop in ghat sections
- Driving license, vehicle documents, and ID copies if self-driving or renting

