

Caravan Holiday Packing List – Coast vs Countryside Edition

[A printable checklist for Hayling Island \(coast\) and Billing Aquadrome \(countryside\).](#)

Use this family-friendly checklist to pack with confidence. Tick off the essentials, then add the seaside extras for Hayling Island or the lakes & woodland items for Billing Aquadrome. We've included toddler tips, dog-friendly must-haves and on-arrival setup steps.

1) Core Essentials (for every caravan holiday)

Documents & Tech

- Booking confirmation & ID
- Bank cards + some cash/coins
- Phones/tablets, chargers & car charger
- Power bank
- Headphones/ear defenders for quiet time

Health & Safety

- First-aid kit (plasters, antihistamine, pain relief, antiseptic)
- Prescription medicines + repeat scripts
- SPF, after-sun, SPF lip balm
- Insect repellent

Clothing & Footwear

- Comfy walking shoes/trainers
- Waterproof jackets (packable)
- Warm layers/hoodies & PJs
- Swimwear & poolside sliders/flip-flops
- Spare socks & underwear

For the Caravan

- Tea/coffee, sugar & hot chocolate
- Cooking oil, salt/pepper & favourite sauces
- Foil/cling film, resealable bags & kitchen roll
- Washing-up liquid & cloth/sponge
- Bin bags, anti-bac wipes
- Matches/lighter & bottle opener/corkscrew
- Compact laundry kit (tabs, pegs, fold-flat ainer)
- Torch or headlamp

Sleep & Comfort

- Linen & towels (if not included)
- Extra blanket for cool nights
- Blackout blind/sunshade for toddler naps

For the Journey

- Snacks & refillable water bottles
- Travel games/colouring books

- Downloaded playlists/shows
- Spare carrier bags (wet kit, car tidy)

2) Tailor Your List: Coast vs Countryside

If you're heading to Hayling Island
(Seaside)

- Microfibre beach towels
- Beach shoes for pebbly patches
- Windbreak & pop-up shelter
- Buckets & spades
- Waterproof phone pouch
- Quick-dry robes
- Layers & a lightweight beanie for breezy days
- Scooters/bikes for promenade & Hayling Billy Trail
- Extra swimwear for on-park pools & splash areas

If you're bound for Billing Aquadrome
(Countryside & Lakes)

- Binoculars for bird-spotting
- Compact picnic blanket & reusable cups
- Wellies/waterproof boots for dewy mornings
- Bikes/scooters or balance bikes
- Small bike toolkit/tyre pump
- Angling kit (rod, license, landing net) if applicable
- Polarized sunglasses for lake glare
- Cosy layer for golden hour walks
- Torch for evening strolls to/from entertainment

3) Family Add-Ons (Toddlers & Under-10s)

- Nap-friendly stroller with rain cover
- Travel potty / nappies & swim nappies
- Plastic plates, sippy cups & cutlery
- Favourite comforter + bedtime story
- Sticker books/crayons/quiet-time toys
- Swim aids (wings/float vests)

4) Dog-Friendly Must-Haves

- Lead + spare, harness, collar & ID tag
- Poo bags & collapsible water bowl
- Dog towels (beach days & muddy paws)
- Bed/blanket & a familiar toy
- Food, treats & any meds
- Flea/tick prevention
- Long line for safe mooching
- Brush & quick-dry coat for countryside walks

5) Smart Space-Savers

- Decant toiletries & condiments into travel bottles
- Use flat, stackable food containers
- One multi-device charger + small extension lead
- Swap board games for card games/travel sets
- Pack outfits by day in zip bags (per child)

6) On-Arrival Setup (First 20 Minutes)

- Unload by zones: kitchen, bathroom, bedrooms, outdoor kit
- Make beds & create a shoe/drop zone by the door
- Stock the fridge & pre-set breakfast bits

- Locate pools, play spaces & evening entertainment
- Check forecast/tide or activity schedule and sketch day-one plan

7) Handy Mini-Lists

Kitchen Quickies

- Ground coffee/tea & hot chocolate
- Breakfast basics (cereal, porridge sachets, jam)
- Easy one-pan dinner (pasta + sauce)
- Fruit & snacks
- Reusable cups & water bottles

Clean & Tidy

- Antibac spray & cloths
- Washing-up liquid
- Laundry tabs & stain stick
- Pegs & fold-flat door mat (for sand/mud)

Entertainment

- Pack of cards/travel game
- Books/Kindle
- Downloaded films + HDMI cable
- Binoculars & sketch pad (birds, boats, beach huts)

Ready to book? Explore our parks and start your getaway:

- Billing Aquadrome (Countryside & Lakes): meadowbay.com/billingaquadrome/
- Hayling Island (Seaside): meadowbay.com/haylingisland/

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Tip before you lock the door: grab the kids' teddies, fill water bottles, and snap a photo of your thermostat.
Holiday mode: on.