

Your Checklist



- Check your passport: Make sure you have at least six months left on your passport to travel to most EU countries.
- Check your driving license: If you're travelling outside the EU, you may need an International Driving Permit (IDP) in some countries.
- Van insurance: Ensure that your van insurance policy covers for driving in Europe for an extended period.
- Download the Park4Night app: This app shows you free and paid parking spots across Europe that are suitable for van camping.
- Download Google Translate: Download the languages you'll need so you can use a translator even if there is no signal.
- Check relevant water tap and gas adapters: These might differ in each country. Make sure you have the right ones for the countries you'll be visiting.
- Withdraw Euros: Many towns in Europe still operate on a cash-only system, so make sure you have some euros with you.
- UK sticker: If you're driving a vehicle with a UK registration, display a UK sticker on the back of your vehicle to indicate your country of origin.
- First aid kit: Always carry a basic first aid kit that includes items such as bandages, antiseptic wipes, and pain relievers.
- Warning triangle: It's a legal requirement in many European countries to carry a warning triangle in your vehicle.
- Hi-Vis jacket: In some countries, it's a legal requirement to carry a hi-vis jacket in your vehicle.
- Environmental stickers: Purchase an environmental sticker if you plan to drive through low-emission zones in some cities and regions.
- Research breakdown insurance.

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- Account for toll fees: Research the toll fees and payment methods in the countries you plan to visit.
- Winter tires and snow chains: Use winter tires or snow chains if it's a legal requirement in some European countries.
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If you're travelling with a pet:

- Animal Health Certificate (AHC): Get an AHC from your vet. It's valid for four months and includes your pet's vaccination and microchip information, as well as a physical description of your pet.
- Microchip and vaccinations: Ensure your pet has a compliant microchip and a rabies vaccination at least 21 days before your travel date.
- Muzzle up: Train your dog to wear a muzzle as it's required in most public transport and many public places across the EU.
- Check with the ferry company: If you're travelling by ferry, check the specific requirements of the company you're travelling with.
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