



Retreat Packing List

Planning a creative retreat? Here's your go-to checklist to make sure you pack everything you need for a fun, productive, and comfortable experience.

Sewing & Craft Supplies

- ☐ Sewing machine (don't forget the power cord & pedal!)
- ☐ Rotary cutter & extra blades
- ☐ Cutting mat (if not provided)
- ☐ Rulers & templates
- ☐ Pins, clips, and seam ripper
- ☐ Thread (neutral and project-specific)
- ☐ Bobbin case + extra bobbins
- ☐ Needles (machine & hand)
- ☐ Scissors (fabric & paper)
- ☐ Marking tools (chalk, pens, etc.)
- ☐ Spray starch, Best Press, or pressing tools
- ☐ Extension cord & power strip
- ☐ Current project(s) + backup project (just in case!)

Personal Essentials

- ☐ Comfy clothes & layers (retreat centers can run hot/cold)
- ☐ Sleepwear and slippers
- ☐ Toiletries and medications
- ☐ Phone charger
- ☐ Notebook & pen for ideas or journaling
- ☐ Glasses or extra contacts
- ☐ Earplugs or eye mask (if rooming with friends who snore!)

Food & Drink

- ☐ Reusable water bottle or insulated tumbler
- ☐ Favorite snacks (sweet & salty balance!)
- ☐ Specialty coffee/tea (if you have preferences)
- ☐ Meals or potluck dish (if not provided)
- ☐ Cooler or tote bag for perishables

Fun Extras

- ☐ Camera or smartphone for photos
- ☐ Favorite quilt/book/pattern to share
- ☐ Small gift or retreat swap item
- ☐ Games or cards for downtime
- ☐ Decorations or themed gear (if you're feeling festive!)