THE A-Z OF PREPARING FOR DiscoverEU

ACCOMMODATION
Avoid extra costs by researching your accommodation – but only book when you have your ticket!

BUDGET
Be realistic with your budget and allocate enough money to eat well and sleep safely.

CONTACT DETAILS
Let someone know where and when you’re travelling, and how they can reach you.

DISCOUNTS
The European Youth Card offers discounts on travel, accommodation, culture and more.

EHIC
Your European Health Insurance Card entitles you to state-provided healthcare across the EU, plus Norway, Switzerland, Iceland and Lichtenstein.

FLEXIBLE OR FIXED
Rigid point-to-point travel, or travelling flexibly on seven days over the course of a month? Choose the ticket that’s right for you.

LANGUAGE
Learn some of the native languages of the countries you visit – it will come in handy!

KEEP POSTING!
Keep a record of your travels. Write a blog or start a video diary!

ISIC
The International Student Identity Card offers discounts to museums and other cultural sites.

HOME COUNTRY
Flexible pass? Get to know the rules about travelling in your country of residence.

GROUP
With thousands of members, the #DiscoverEU Official Facebook group is great for meeting people, getting tips and planning your journey.

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MOBILE PHONE
With no roaming charges for Europeans travelling in the EU, you can use your phone like you do at home.

NIGHT TRAIN
On night and high-speed trains, you may need to pay for seat reservations if you’re using a flexible pass. Consult the RailPlanner app for more information.

OFF THE BEATEN TRACK
Get to know Europe like the locals by visiting smaller towns and cities.

PLANNING
Urban adventure or countryside expedition? Plan and research your itinerary before you leave.

QUESTIONS?
Post on the #DiscoverEU Official Facebook group with any queries you have.

RAILPLANNER
Use this free app to plan your journeys and book your reservations if you have a flexible pass.

STAY SAFE
Be aware of your surroundings, don’t leave your bags unattended and research your accommodation beforehand.

YOUTH PORTAL
Visit europa.eu/youth for lots of tips and info on travelling within Europe as a young person.

XCHANGE
Not all EU countries use the euro. Make sure you have the correct currency before you travel.

WATER BOTTLE
Travel sustainably by taking a reusable water bottle along with you.

VALUABLES
Secure your personal belongings and be discrete with your phone, camera, money, keys and other valuable items.

UNDERSTAND NEW CULTURES
Europe is waiting for you: jump in and get to know it!

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS
You’ll need your passport or ID card when crossing some borders.