



Vancouver, BC Shopping List

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A Novel Holiday Travel Guidebook

Tour the Twilight Saga **Shopping List** **Supplies to Purchase after You Arrive**

No matter where in the world you're Twilighting, if something can be cheaply purchased *after* reaching your destination, you'll not need to pack it. As airline luggage allowances become increasingly more limited in size and weight—whether carryon or checked bags—the smaller, lighter, and fewer your bags are, the less you'll have to pay to bring them with you.

We usually suggest discovering the discount department store (DDS) closest to the rental car pickup site and starting your Twication with a supplies shopping trip.

If flying to Seattle, for instance, there's a Target *and* a Walmart (similar to an Asda store in the UK) only a 15 minute drive south of Sea-Tac International Airport—on the route to Port Angeles and Forks. Each has a pharmacy and groceries, as well as clothing, toiletries, and travel supplies.

Target Federal Way Now

2201 S Commons, Federal Way, WA, 98003-6023

<http://www.target.com/store-locator/store-details/storeNumber=1947>

Walmart Supercenter Store #3794

34520 16th Ave S, Federal Way, WA 98003

<http://www.mystore411.com/store/view/4179/Walmart-Federal-Way>

Vancouver International Airport, however, doesn't have a nearby discount department store. Instead, go to the store websites below and find the location closest to your lodgings' postal code.

Canadian Walmarts: <http://www.walmart.ca/en>

Since the closing of all Canadian Target stores in January of 2015, Walmart is the best place in British Columbia for one-stop shopping to purchase travel supplies, toiletries, and groceries.

Fields Department Stores: <http://www.fields.ca/>

Fields is a popular Canadian discount store that sells clothing, travel supplies, and some canned and dried foods. Fields doesn't sell fresh groceries, nor does it have a pharmacy.

Canadian No Frills Grocery Stores: http://www.nofrills.ca/en_CA/store-list-page.BC.html

Whenever you're in need of inexpensive groceries, pop to a No Frills.

Trudge-Free Toiletries

Remember that carryon liquids and gels must be in containers no larger than 3.4-ounces each, and all must fit within a single, quart-size zip bag. You could stow large bottles of shampoo, hair conditioner, and whatnot in your checked luggage, but the weight of these items quickly adds up.

One Exception: Twilighters who wear contact lenses should pack a full-sized bottle of the **contact lens fluid** you are accustomed to in a checked bag. Seal it within a couple zip bags to protect other items from inevitable pressure-change leaks.

Otherwise, pack only the toiletries you'll need on the plane.

See the **Items Frequently Needed In-Flight** section of our **Packing Pointers** PDF.

<http://www.TourTheTwilightSaga.com/B2Tips/B2PackingPointers.pdf>

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Twilighters lodging in major hotels usually will find overnight sizes of basic toiletries in the bathroom. For those who prefer to stay in B&Bs or discount motels, small sizes of all necessary toiletries can be purchased cheaply at a Canadian Walmart.

Suggested Toiletries Shopping List:

- Shampoo and Hair Conditioner
- Body Wash (or soap)
- Cheap Washcloth or Body Sponge
- Toothpaste and Mouthwash
- Deodorant
- Shaving Cream & Plastic Razors
- Sunscreen
- Insect Repellent
- Etcetera ... Etcetera ... Etcetera ...

Driving Supplies

Spend some time thinking about the things you enjoy having with you when road tripping in your home country, and make a discount store shopping list.

Suggested Driving Supplies Shopping List:

- Travel coffee mug
- Small styrofoam cooler (aka polystyrene cool-box)
- Bag of ice
It isn't always possible to refreeze **gel packs** at your lodgings. A small bag of ice will last at least two days if you pour-off the water each morning.
- Bottled water—at least a dozen bottles per person, per week
- Sodas and other canned or bottled beverages
- Small package of plastic cups
- Small package of plastic forks/spoons/knives
- Non-perishable travel snacks
- Non-perishable light meals
- Wine, beer, or alcohol
Alcoholic beverages (for imbibing *after* your daily drive) are far less expensive if purchased at a Walmart rather than a local convenience store or hotel bar.
- Full-sized carton of wet wipes
- Full-sized box of Kleenex or Puffs (facial tissues), *with lotion*
- Tube of super glue—gel style
- Cheap canvas folding chair
From DC Carson, "Sometimes it's nice to pull over at one of the many scenic spots you'll encounter and get out of the car for awhile. A cheap folding chair is perfect for comfortable rest-stopping. If they made cheap fold-out hammocks, I'd buy one of those, too!"
- Small travel umbrella for your tour bag
- Large umbrella to keep in the car
- Cheap fleece blanket—whether for snoozing in the car or keeping you warm while sightseeing
- Pillow & pillow case
From Chas: "It's handy to have a pillow in the car in case I need to pull-over and nap somewhere."
- Etcetera ... Etcetera ... Etcetera ...

Please Note: Reusable items you'll not be packing home can be *gifted* to the host of your last lodgings. B&B proprietors are particularly grateful for things they can use or give to subsequent lodgers.

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Food for Thought

The cost of snacks and light meal items purchased from hotel room service, or the convenience store near your motel or B&B, is at least twice what you'd pay at a discount store. Yes, these items are found in the shopping list above, but they deserve special mention.

Whether for munching on the go while Twilighting during the day, or for late-night-noshing in your lodgings, you'll save a lot of money by purchasing a variety of snacks and light meal items at a Walmart or No Frills store.

Stock up on snacks and packaged meals that don't require refrigeration, as well as fruits and vegetables, cheeses and breads. If you buy a cooler and ice, you can purchase a few items that *do* need to be kept cold.