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These Are the Beach Tote Essentials You'll Need to Pack This Summer



Make sure you have all of them before you hit the sun, sand, and sea.

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Beach season is officially here and we can't wait to bury our feet in the sand and take a dip in the ocean. We intend to spend every weekend bathing suit-clad with a cold drink in hand watching the waves crash on the shore. If you are more of a pool person, you can head to [one of these picture-perfect pools](#) and enjoy soaking up some Vitamin D there.

In either case, you'll need to bring quite a few items with you. A [sun hat](#), a [coverup](#), and a [pair of sunglasses](#) go without saying, of course. But you also have to think about not so obvious items such as a portable power bank for your phone and a speaker to keep the party going.

This summer, make a resolution not to use any sunscreen that pollutes the ocean and damages the coral reefs by opting for a more sustainable (and in most cases, healthier for you) option that's zinc oxide or titanium dioxide-based. And speaking of sunscreen, did you know that your hair also needs protection from the sun's harmful UV rays?

Keep scrolling for a full list of all the items you need to pack in your beach tote for a fun day at the beach.



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Sea Star Beachwear Seafarer Slingback

Instead of packing water shoes in addition to your sandals why don't you just wear one pair of footwear that does double duty? These cute slingbacks are actually made from quick-drying fabric and sport non-slip soles. They are meant to be worn both in and outside of the ocean.

To buy: \$96, seastarbeachwear.com