

The Complete All-Inclusive Resort Guide

Chapter 14: Common All-Inclusive Vacation Mistakes

A little preparation goes a long way. Many vacation frustrations can be avoided simply by planning ahead. Here are some of the most common mistakes travelers make—and how you can avoid them.

- 1 Choosing a resort based only on price**
The least expensive resort may not provide the atmosphere, dining, or amenities you're hoping for.
- 2 Flying in the day your vacation begins**
Arriving a day early can reduce stress and protect your trip from airline delays.
- 3 Skipping travel insurance**
Insurance can help protect your investment when unexpected events occur.
- 4 Overpacking**
Most travelers wear fewer outfits than they expect. Pack versatile clothing instead.
- 5 Not researching excursions**
Popular tours often sell out, and activity levels vary.
- 6 Ignoring restaurant reservations**
Some specialty restaurants require reservations before or shortly after arrival.
- 7 Not bringing enough sunscreen**
Tropical sunshine is stronger than many travelers expect.
- 8 Forgetting passports or documents**
Double-check travel documents before leaving home.
- 9 Trying to do everything**
Balance adventure with relaxation to avoid returning home exhausted.
- 10 Not using a travel advisor**
An experienced advisor can help you choose the right resort, avoid common mistakes, and provide support before, during, and after your trip.

Aimee's Resort Tip: The best vacations don't happen by accident. A little planning before you leave allows you to spend more time enjoying the beach, the food, and the people you're traveling with.

Coming Up: Chapter 15 introduces some of my favorite all-inclusive resort brands and what makes each one unique.