

WHAT TO BRING TO GALIANO ISLAND: A Packing List



Climate & Weather

All of the southern Gulf Islands enjoy Mediterranean-style climates marked by sunny, dry summers, and mild, frost-free winters. Since it is the first island touched by the warm outflow of water from the BC mainland's Fraser River, Galiano residents have long claimed the best microclimate in the region. Summer highs are in the mid-20°C/70°F range with occasional hot spells in July and August. Spring and fall is ideal sweater weather. The island typically receives over 2,000 hours of sunshine annually. Precipitation in recent years has averaged about 650mm/25in per year, a result of the rain shadow of Vancouver Island and the Olmouc Peninsula.

Basic Travel Must Have's

- Confirmation or itinerary info (flight, inn, amenities)
- Money (cash, credit card, debit card, travelers cheques)
- ID (driver's license, passport, insurance cards)
- Medication(s)

Other Must-Haves

- Camera, extra memory card (Galiano is very beautiful, you will be taking lots of photos)
- Pen and notebook
- Address book
- Small empty duffel bag
- Travel games (cards, cribbage, etc.)

Our One Bedroom suites are fully equipped:

- Cooking equipment/utensils/dishes/servingware
- Dishwashing detergent
- Laundry detergent for in-suite laundry

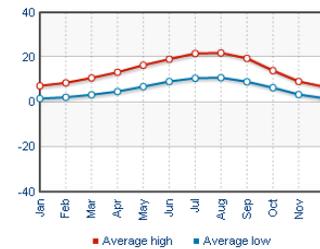
Trips with Children

- Sealable plastic bags
- Small carry-on bag or backpack
- Sunscreen
- Hat or visor
- Sunglasses
- Favorite blanket or stuffed animal
- Games/toys
- Headset with favorite CDs or iPod
- Coloring/Activity/Picture books with Crayons
- Handwipes/tissues

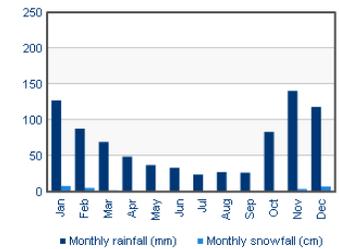
Vacation with Pet in one of our two Pet-Friendly suites (must be booked in advance)

- Medications
- Kennel/Carrier
- Familiar blanket/Bed

Overview: Temperature (°C)



Overview: Precipitation



- Phone number of vet (there is a vet on our street)
- Leash/Toys/Treats
- Favourite food, and food and water bowls
- Toilet supplies (scooper/bags; litter box/litter)
- Towels

Toiletries

- Toiletry bag
- Medications
- Toothpaste/Toothbrush/Dental floss
- Deodorant
- Razors/Shave gel or cream
- Specialty lotions
- Hair products
- Brush/Comb
- Glasses/Contact lenses/Cleaning solutions
- Cosmetics

Clothing: all year travel

Note that our Restaurant is Upscale Casual, formal wear is not required but many people do dress up.

- Jacket/Coat
- Shirts/ Blouses
- Suits/Dresses
- Sweaters/Sweatshirts
- Jeans/Pants/Shorts
- Tie(s)/Belt(s)
- Watch/Jewelry
- Socks/Hosiery
- Underwear
- Shoes: 1 pr comfortable/1 pr dress
- Sleepwear

Summer: Although our days are hot, it often gets cooler in the evenings; so be sure to bring some cozy cover-ups for when the sun goes down.

- Swimsuit(s)
- Sunglasses/Hat/Visor
- Sunscreen/After sun lotion/Sunburn treatment
- Insect repellent
- Beach towel and beach cover-up
- Flip-flops or aqua socks
- Small neck pouch or fanny pack
- Tote bag
- Water bottle (we have fresh well water to drink so refill here, rather than buy more)

Fall, Spring and Winter: although mild, Galiano's weather can be cool and wet in our "secret season", come prepared to enjoy the outdoors. We do not typically get any snow, but we do get rain.

- Raincoat or waterproof jacket with hood just in case
- Neck scarf
- Sweater
- Waterproof gloves
- Waterproof hiking shoes / boots
- Sunglasses
- Small neck pouch or fanny pack
- Kleenex/Handkerchief
- Backpack/Day pack
- Cell phone w/emergency numbers programmed
- Flashlight for late night walks
- Compass/Binoculars
- Umbrella (although we do have one in each suite for your use)

What you do NOT need to bring (we have it)

- Soap, shampoo, conditioner, hair dryer, robes
- Guidebooks on the area, and any books from birding to mushroom identification and the latest novel: all available at the Galiano bookstore.
- Wines and beers: there is an excellent selection in Vintages wine shop at the Inn.
- Spirits: all brands are available at two liquor agency stores on the island.
- Groceries: there are three grocery stores on the island, with an extensive selection of everything from organic milk to locally made goat cheese to fresh fruits and vegetables to spices and dry goods. The island typically does not have a selection of fresh meats and fish. There are frozen meats from organic lamb to beef.

