


PACK AND *go*

Whether you're a weekend wanderer or a frequent flier, there are certain things you shouldn't leave home without, including chocolate—the darker, the better (for its antioxidant power)! Here's the rest of our list.



Wondervase Your hotel room a little drab? Pick a few roadside flowers, and put them in this portable vase. A technomagic, it looks like a flat bag. But just fill it with warm water, shape it into a vase, re-fill it with cold water to set the shape, and voila! Instant vase. Reverse the process to get it flat again. Small, \$7; medium, \$8; large, \$9. 800.880.6757; wondervase.com



Hi-Tech Translator Perfect for gizmo-loving travelers who'll be crossing a lot of borders, this tool translates English sentences—such as “I don't eat meat”—into 16 languages, from Arabic to Hebrew. Lingo Travelmate Translator 16, \$65. 800.441.5713; llbean.com



Feet Treats Cruelty-free and all natural, EO's Amazing Feet Foot Care Kit contains a scrub, a soak and a lotion to soothe your tired tootsies, no matter how many cobblestones you've just hobbled over. \$13. 800.570.3775; eoproducts.com

Low-Tech Translator



A picture is worth, well, you know. If the local language leaves you speechless, just point to one of the hundreds of color pictures. You'll get your message across. Kwikpoint, \$7. 888.594.5764; kwikpoint.com




Show-It-All The only thing this clock won't do is teleport you to your destination—it's too busy displaying everything from the temperature to currency conversions. Oh, and it also tells time. Multi-function clock, \$15. 800.874.1048; eaglecreek.com.

Strip Tease



Instead of lugging around a suitcase full of heavy, spillable hair products, pack these “strips” of hair gel. Worth the \$20 tag for 20 Control Tape Extreme Style Strips. 800.644.4831; aveda.com



Sniff 'n Soothe Nothing derails a vacation quicker than a queasy stomach, stress or lack of sleep. Fight back with . . . Lavender Foam Bath for sanity, calm and travel-stress relief, \$3/2.5 oz.; Ginger/Mint Aromatherapy Mist for motion sickness, \$7/4 oz.; and German Chamomile essential oil to help bring on sleep in a strange time zone, \$10/0.5 oz. From Aura Cacia. 800.437.3301; frontiercoop.com