Traveling companions

Some ideas to grab before you go, in a time of coronavirus

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Wash up
Super-thin slices of soap are perfectly portable and ideal for useSelector increments while out and about. Example: Travelon Hand Soap Sheets. Stow this palm-sized packet of 50 sheets in your pocket or purse. All you need to lather up is water. Travelonbags.com, Amazon.com.

Luggable Luggage
Plenty of travelers prefer to keep their suitcases with them, ready to roll when the plane touches down. Fresh styles include Flex Vega, which flattens to 2 inches when not in use, rollink.com; ZDX Carry-on Upright Duffle on wheels, which features a pocket for a pass-through USB cord, briggslolley.com, and Zhampagne organizer bag with 10 pockets.

Dining in
If you prefer using your own dinnerware and utensils while on a road trip or in a hotel, pack up some portables. FlexiBowl features a silicone design that folds for versatility and squishes for easy packing. Pair it with portable utensils, such as Humangear’s GoBites Uno, and you’re ready for any moveable feast. Humangear.com, Amazon.com.

Face Protection
Masks definitely. At least one for every day while traveling, recommends Mary Jo Trepka, professor and chair of Florida International University Department of Epidemiology. If you opt for extra protection of face shields and goggles, use in addition to masks, she says, not instead. On the subject of masks, YaY Novelty offers useful accoutrements, including Ear Saver Elastic Straps, offering buttons (in lieu of your ears) for attaching loops; and lanyards, for hanging your mask around your neck if you happen to slip it off. Yay Novelty.com.

Pick A Pouch
Travel Safe Portable Hygiene Kit from England features two 3-ply disposable face masks, two pairs of disposable gloves, disposable wipes and hand sanitizer gel in a reusable zipper pouch, luggage-point.co.uk/product/travel-safe-ppe-kit. Seat Sitters Healthy Airplane Travel Kit includes disposable tray table covers, wipes, masks and hand sanitizer. Seat Sitters.com.