

Affinity Cruises - What to Bring Marlborough Sounds



Suggested Clothing for Cruising on Affinity

Cruising on board Affinity is relaxed and casual and you will feel most comfortable if you bring relaxed and casual clothes with you. Weather can be changeable and the best way to cope with this is to pack 'layers' of clothing, including some wool and/or polypropylene thermal clothes. You will probably be surprised how few clothes you end up wearing while you are away and may wonder why you packed so much. There are no washing facilities on board so as long as you have enough undergarments you will probably find you wear the same favourite items most of the cruise.

'Essentials' Packing list:

✓ when packed		✓ when packed	
Personal bathroom items (shampoo and conditioner etc.). Flowing soap is available on board - feel free to bring your own personal bar of soap.		Prescribed medications, and any personal medications such as antihistamines for stings, antidiarrheal medication and motion sickness medication	
Underwear		Shorts suitable for walking	
Pyjamas		Trousers suitable for walking	
Lightweight dressing gown		Spare pair trousers/shorts	
Socks		Warm sweatshirt, jersey or jacket	
Singlets/camisoles		Short and/or long sleeved tops	
Warm hat		Wet weather gear	
Flannel		Windbreaker jacket	
Indoor shoes with good grip (slippers)		Day pack for walkers and drink bottle	
Comfortable walking shoes or sandals (gumboots available on board)		Sunhat/cap	

Some other suggestions:

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Glasses, contacts, contacts cleaner		Sunglasses/reading sunglasses	
Binoculars		Hand lotion	
Thermal underwear (for the cooler months)		Reading material – books to read while relaxing on board	
Small torch		Sun screen/sun block and lip sunblock	
Swim suit			
Journal or notebook and pen/pencil – for making notes to tell your friends back home about your experiences		Insect repellent (not for your cabin on board, but for those pesky sandflies ashore)	
Camera and manual (+ extra film or extra memory cards, and batteries/battery charger, tripod)		Cash or cheques for the on-board shop. Maps, t-shirts, caps and coasters are available, plus a small range of beverages.	
For keen fisher persons please bring 4 x 6oz and 4 x 8oz sinkers with you, and any other of your gear you prefer to use.			

Mobile phone coverage in the Marlborough Sounds is sporadic. For urgent messages, we rely on the marine radio operators. Please contact our office on 0800 862 334, or our after hours number 027 220 3585 for any assistance.