

Future Expat Meetup



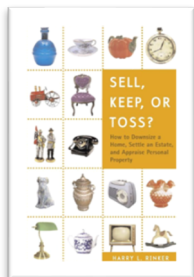
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Deciding What to Bring

- Start with the basics
 - What do you need for your life right now?
 - Minimalist packing party
 - Regular visits to donation drop-offs
 - What do you have duplicates of?
 - Furniture, electronics, and clothing
 - Where do you spend the majority of your time?
 - Are some rooms completely ignored?
 - Are there cabinets/boxes that have never been opened?
- Getting brave and honest
 - You have 1 week to pack and move to your new country. What would you keep?
 - You have 1 month to pack and move. What would you eliminate from your trip?
 - You have 1 box that measures 4' x 4' x 6'. What would you put in it?
 - With sentimental items, is the sentimentality who gave it to you, or is it what the item represents? Would a picture suffice?
 - What are you keeping just because you "should"?
- Focus on your new location
 - What can you replace locally?
 - Will your stuff "fit" in your new place?
 - Will you be able to store what you cannot place?
 - What costs are you willing to pay to bring material items?
 - Will your things be the focus of your expat life?
 - What things will you need to enjoy your new experiences?
- Strategic conservation
 - What can be brought digitally to your new home?
 - Who can you give your material items to?
 - Who could keep sentimental items (who might also view them as sentimental items)?
 - What can you gain from eliminating things?
 - What do you need to eliminate now? What do you need to eliminate closer to your move?

Resource of the month



Sell, Keep, or Toss?: How to Downsize a Home, Settle an Estate, and Appraise Personal Property

By Harry L. Rinker

- Paperback: <https://amzn.to/3SQC1fd>