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packing lists; tips for different kinds of trips; suggestions of unusual journeys; and weather (what's the temperature like this month in Tokyo?) and travel info (do we need any vaccinations?). Sample products:

- Men's featherweight trench coat
- Packable panama hat
- Pack-It cubes, nylon organizers to hold dress shirts, blouses, or trousers, even neckties, or small items like socks, underwear, and T-shirts
- Petite size indispensable black dress
- Photojournalist's vest
- Security neck pouch, made of lightweight, water-resistant nylon, with compartments for airline tickets, currency, passports, designed to be hidden under clothing

Search: Yes

Photos: Yes, small and large

Ordering: Online, Phone, Fax

Gift Wrap: No

Delivery: Ground, 2nd Day, Overnight

Walkabout Travel Gear

<http://www.walkabouttravelgear.com>

It's a long address, but appropriate for a store named after the aborigine ritual of wandering around for spiritual cleansing. As experienced trekkers, they organize their travel gear around the challenges: bugs, electricity, health, safety, sleep, and water. Sprinkled throughout the site are tips from fellow travelers. (We learned that you should take a pair of pliers with you to India for exchanging money, because large wads of Indian currency come stapled together, and you have to pry the metal loose without damaging the bills, because taxi wallahs do not accept damaged bills.) They ship most orders within 24 hours. Order by 3 P.M.

Mountain Time to get faster deliveries. Samples:

- Multipurpose pocketknife with two blades, bottle and can opener, plus detachable fork and spoon
- SleepScreen, a net tent that hangs on fiberglass poles over your bed or sleeping bag, to keep out bugs
- Water purifier with filter, carrying case, filter-cleaning brush, soft water bottle for removing

99.9% of Giardia, bacteria, viruses

- Zelco Lock-Up, to lock your door, pick-proof, with quick-release lever for fast emergency exit, carrying pouch

Search: No

Photos: Yes

Ordering: Online

Gift Wrap: Certificates

Delivery: Ground, 3rd Day, 2nd Day, Overnight

World Traveler

<http://www.worldtraveler.com>

A well-organized, quick site with a wide range of classy luggage and travel goods, with guaranteed lowest prices. You can shop by brand (Eagle Creek, Hartmann, JanSport, Kenneth Cole, Ricardo, Samsonite, ZERO Halliburton) or by product. They have a lot of items from each manufacturer, so you won't have to settle. They even offer a few dozen special bargains at more than two-thirds off the list price, plus promotional items, and specials such as free shipping on certain products. They emphasize customer service, going so far as to put their 800 number on the home page. Samples:

- Atlantic® Professional Cosmetic Tote, constructed of ballistic nylon, with padded honeycomb frame, fully lined cases, retractable handle, in-line skate wheels, corner guards
- Eagle Creek All-Terrain Money Belt, with zipper
- Impuls® Targa 14" Personal Bag, with front pocket, cushioned handles, shoulder strap, mesh pocket, bottle loops
- Samsonite® 725/DLX Expandable Medium EZ Cart Suiter, with 4 wheels, push-button handle, and compartments
- Tilley khaki safari hat in green

Search: Yes

Photos: Yes

Ordering: Online, Phone, Email

Gift Wrap: No

Delivery: 3rd Day, 2nd Day, Overnight