

# Art on the Farm: What to Bring

**It is important that both students and parents read the information below.**

Students: Below is a list of what you must bring. Please pay careful attention that you have everything you need. Be sure to pack useful, practical clothing and keep in mind that you do your own laundry once a week. Also know that the weather in Ireland is temperate; average summer temperatures are 65 F/ 18 C, there is frequent, soft rain, and night time is cool. You need to be prepared for all conditions. Plane tickets, passports and other important items will be collected by staff on arrival. **We also recommend that parents make a copy of passport and travel documents for safe keeping at home.**

## **You Must Bring:**

- only 1 piece of check-in luggage & one carry on bag.
- a backpack for over night excursions
- a toilet bag large enough to hold all personal toiletries, shampoo, toothpaste, deodorant, etc.
- light rain coat (this is absolutely necessary)
- comfortable closed toe walking shoes or sneakers (again, a necessity)
- bath towel, hand towel and wash cloth
- laundry bag
- old t-shirt/ sweatshirt to wear in the studio
- swimsuit and beach towel
- a reusable water bottle

## **We Also Recommend:**

- a plug adaptor for charging cameras and phones (most electronics do not require voltage conversion)
- practical clothing: including jeans, shorts, sweaters, tee-shirts.
- wellington/gum boots (we also have boots available for use)

**Students are not permitted to bring laptops or tablet computers.** Cell phones are allowed, but will be collected at breakfast each morning and returned to students after dinner at 8pm. Students are permitted to have cell phones at all times during our excursions to Dublin and the West.

## **Digital or Traditional Film Camera:**

While we have some cameras at Cow House Studios, if you have a camera, it is best to bring and use your own. That way you are learning on the same equipment you'll be continuing with when you return home. It need not be fancy, any SLR camera with manual controls will be fine. Remember to bring the extra batteries, a manual if you have one, memory card (if digital), and a carrying case to protect it.

## **Art Materials:**

Cow House Studios provides all of the basic materials that you will need, including drawing and painting materials, film and photographic paper. You may bring your own sketchbook and any other unusual materials that you might like to use. At the end of the programme, all artwork will be packed to carry on hand luggage, or shipped home.

## **Phone Use:**

You may call home free of charge using the Cow House Studios phone. Calling cards are not necessary.

## **Cash:**

You will only need cash to spend on souvenirs or gifts. €100 should be plenty.

## **Allergy Medicine:**

If you have allergies, please bring plenty of the allergy medicine you are used to taking.

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