

# Airbnb Safety Checklist (2026)

Use this checklist before booking, after booking, and during your stay.

## Before Booking

- 1 Check detailed reviews (not just ratings)
- 2 Avoid listings with no booking history
- 3 Compare price with similar listings in the area
- 4 Reverse image search listing photos if unsure
- 5 Read house rules carefully
- 6 Check host response rate and communication

## After Booking

- 1 Keep all communication within Airbnb
- 2 Never send money outside the platform
- 3 Confirm check-in instructions in advance
- 4 Save host contact details
- 5 Share booking details with a trusted person

## During Your Stay

- 1 Lock doors and windows securely
- 2 Check for unusual devices in private spaces
- 3 Verify property matches listing photos
- 4 Know emergency exits and contacts
- 5 Keep valuables secure
- 6 Report issues immediately through Airbnb

## Red Flags to Avoid

- 1 Host asks for payment outside Airbnb
- 2 No reviews or suspicious reviews
- 3 Photos look like stock images
- 4 Poor or delayed communication
- 5 Pressure to book quickly

Tip: Always trust patterns over price. If something feels off, do not book.