

## Collecting Memorabilia

Although traveling can be addictive, most of us eventually stop for one reason or another. If and when you do stop traveling, you may find yourself wishing you had captured all those moments in some form or fashion. As a traveler, you have more different experiences in a year than someone may have in a lifetime. Sure you can tell stories, but what else will you have to show for it?

Some travelers use the art of photography to capture the beauty and essence of places they have been and the things they did. If you have ever been interested in doing scrap books, traveling would be the time to do it. Journaling can also be a way of at least writing down your experiences and how you felt during those times.

Some people collect match books, post cards, coins or stamps. Capturing the moment in time is what is important. A zillion methods exist. Consciously deciding on what your method of collection will be helps you have a focus.

When I traveled I took lots of pictures. I also would buy something small (to fit in my suitcase) that reminded me of the area. For example, when I was in Pennsylvania I kept seeing these unique perfume bottles so I bought one to remember Pennsylvania. I found a pretty and unique candle holder in Arizona that reminds me of the times I had there and so on.

Collecting memories can be fun and can mean a great deal later when you are sitting at home recalling the good adventurous days. How do you like to go about capturing your memories?