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INTRODUCTION

Where do you want to go? Las Vegas? Colorado? Disney World? Cancun? Maybe Europe? There are so many places you can choose from when you want to get away from it all that it might be hard for you to decide. Planning a vacation can be fun and exciting with all of the possibilities, but of course, it can also prove quite difficult if you do not know what you want to do. When you think about taking a vacation, where do you picture yourself? A hot spot for tourist? A warm beach? A cold mountain slope? Camping in the wilderness? The possibilities are endless when you travel.

With that being said, there are many types of vacation you can plan. The one you choose will depend on several factors. Do you want to get away from it all by yourself? Do you want to take the whole family with you? Perhaps you and your spouse want to take a romantic vacation with just the two of you. Are you adventurous?

Do you love the outdoors? Or, are you the type of person that wants to sit by the beach and relax? Maybe you prefer to spend your time busy, busy, busy! If you want to plan it all yourself, there are places for you to go. If you want to make a call and have it planned for you, then there are also options for you.

As you think about the type of vacation you want to take, you will also want to take into consideration the time frame that you have. If you only have two or three days, then jet-setting off to Europe will probably not be the best decision. If you have a limited budget, as most people do, then you will also want to carefully consider your finances before you buy your plane tickets and before you make your reservations.

This guide will help you take a look at how to start planning your vacation and will offer some great money saving advice that will help you take the vacation you have always wanted, no matter where in the world you want to go.





CHOOSING A VACATION

It is vacation time! You have checked your calendar and you have some time off. Now you can start planning the ultimate get away. Where do you think you want to go? If you took a poll around your workplace or among your friends and family and asked them to name a place they would like to vacation, chances are, they will tell you something right off the top of their head. They don't have to think about it at all. Most people would love to take a vacation and know exactly where they want to go.

Money

Then reality hits. When you vacation, there are usually constraints that you have to take into consideration. The biggest factor in choosing a vacation is money. Almost everyone lives on a budget and in these days and times, people are stretching their dollars more than ever. That does not mean that vacations are out of the question. For many families, it just means that choosing a vacation will take some careful planning and in many cases, saving money.

Time

Of course, the other big factor in choosing a vacation is time. Some people enjoy taking several small vacations over a period of time—a weekend in Las Vegas, and a weekend skiing in Colorado. There are other people that save their vacation time and choose to plan a much bigger and longer vacation every couple of years. These types of trips are usually reserved for cross country exploration or trips overseas.

If you want to plan a good vacation, you have to have enough time to get it all in. It would be disappointing to you and your children if you planned a huge trip to Disney World and when you get there realize you only have time to see half of the parks. Careful planning of your time will help you in choosing the vacation that is right for you and your family.

So, how do you go about deciding what type of vacation you want to take? If you have never been somewhere before, where do you even begin choosing when so many places sound so wonderful?





Here are some tips that will help you choose the vacation you want to take.

- Who is going with you?

The first thing you want to do is to decide who is going with you on your vacation. That is a very logical first step because who goes with you will help dictate where you will go. For example, if you want to take your entire family, including your two year old, then a weekend in Las Vegas playing the slots is probably not going to be the right vacation for you. You need a more family-friendly trip. If you and your spouse want to take a second honeymoon, then a trip to Disneyland might not be the logical choice for you. You will want to look for travel vacation packages that include a romantic spot for you and your better half. For most people, it is not hard to decide who will take the trip with them and this makes it easier to start looking at vacation packages that work for everyone.

- Where do you want to go?

After you have decided who will go on your vacation, it is time to consider where you will go. If you are taking your entire family, it might be a good idea to brainstorm ideas together. At this point, do not rule out anything. Even if you want to get a good deal, you may find that you can find cheap vacation packages to suit everyone on your trip. When you make a list of places that you would like to go, think about your personality and likes and dislikes. You are about to spend a lot of money, so it is important that you find a vacation spot that fits you. For example, if you hate the cold, the skiing is probably not the right vacation for you. If you dislike being outside, then you will want to avoid vacations that include the outdoors, such as camping and hiking or even fishing vacations. You will find that you will not have a good time. Perhaps you do not want to go on a vacation where you feel like you are being “nickel and dimed”. You need inclusive vacation packages such as a cruise that will allow you to pay for everything at once. If you hate big crowds, then heading off to Disney World over spring break is probably going to leave you disappointed. These are all considerations to make as you choose a vacation. Brainstorm for ideas with those going with you and then narrow the list down to a few ideas that everyone can agree on.

- How much do you have to spend?

The next thing you will want to think about is how much you have to spend on this trip. Decide on your budget and shop around so that you can stick to it. Last minute vacation packages are often a good deal to people who have a flexible schedule





and to those that are able to plan a trip at the last minute. You may also find that you can find great prices on family vacation packages when you plan well in advance. There are many great sites online that can help you get the prices you want to pay for any vacation.

When you decide how much you want or have to spend on your vacation, it will make choosing and planning your vacation easier. Many people find that some vacations are too cost prohibitive and opt for other vacation. On the other hand, you might be surprised to learn that a vacation you think is way out of your price range is actually quite affordable when you practice good planning and saving. There are many cost-saving tips that you can follow when planning any vacation, no matter how big or small. These tips will be explored later in this guide to help you.

- How do you want to plan your vacation?

Another important aspect in planning your vacation is to decide how you want to plan your vacation. There are many ways to go about planning. You might be a person that wants it all planned for you. For example, you might be interested in taking your loved ones on a Christmas trip. You are busy and you do not have the time that it takes to plan it all yourself. Or, maybe you would feel better letting a professional handle all of your travel needs so that nothing is left out. You would simply pick up the phone or log on to the Internet and hire a travel agent to help you and to give you your options on Christmas vacation packages. Everything is done for you, making it easy for you.

On the other hand, perhaps, you are the type of person that likes to take care of things yourself. You do not feel that you need to spend the extra money on hiring someone to plan your vacation for you. Maybe you enjoy the research it takes to plan your trip. If you are planning to make your own travel plans, then you will want to take that into consideration at the beginning. Knowing how you will plan your vacation will help you make some very important decisions before you get too far into your vacation planning.

- When do you want to go?

Another consideration you should make when you are planning a trip is when you want to go. You need to be informed about the seasons and the weather of your destination. The weather can affect a lot when you travel and it can make or break your trip. If you want warm weather when you are heading out to Disney World, then you want to avoid traveling to Florida during hurricane season or you will get rained on—probably every day of your trip. One word about figuring out when you





want to travel-you should be cautious of great travel deals that seem to good to be true. Many times, if you run across rock bottom prices for a trip, it will only be good during the off season or when the weather is not optimal. Do your research and know the type of weather of where you are heading before you book.

Also, when you travel, another part of deciding when you want to go is to think about the crowds. You may only have the summer to travel if you are going with your kids, but if you are heading out to touristy spots in the United States, just keep in mind that everyone else with kids will be heading there, too. Keep it all in perspective when you travel.

- What will you do?

Now that you are narrowing down your travel choices, take a few minutes to brainstorm about what you want to do on your trip. If you are taking your family, then think about what they want to do too. If, for example, you are planning a family trip to Las Vegas, you know that your kids can't and don't want to spend a day at the slots! What else is there for them to do? Take the time to explore where you are going and find something for every person that is traveling with you. This will help ensure that everyone has a great time on the trip.

When you take all of these factors into consideration, you can be sure that you are going on a vacation that everyone will enjoy. Using these tips will also help make sure that you are planning a vacation of your dreams and that you have not forgotten about anything during your planning sessions.

Taking a vacation is fun and when you consider where you are going, when you are going, how you are getting there and what you will do, it makes planning your trip a breeze.

POPULAR PLACES TO GO: FLORIDA

Florida is a popular destination and contrary to popular belief, it is not all about Disney World. If you look at the many Florida vacation packages out there, you will find trips that cater to the beach lover, those that cater to the golfer and many other types of families and vacationers who love to travel. When you travel to Florida, you can be sure that there will be plenty of things to do to keep your whole family entertained.

Want to know why Florida is such a great place to go no matter what you love to





do? Check out the following.

- Florida weather:

People love the weather in Florida and for good reason. The state of Florida is also affectionately known as the “Sunshine State”. That right there will make anyone want to go there for a visit. The summers in Florida do get hot, with the average high temperature in June reaching in the high 90s and low 100s, but the evenings are warm and fair, making it a perfect place for summer-loving travelers. Winters are mild, too. That means that you can enjoy the outdoors much longer in the year than other places.

If you are traveling to coastal areas of Florida, you can expect slightly above average temperatures in the winter and cooler ones in the summer. In fact, you will find that the average high temperature across the entire state will hover between 77-85 degrees. One thing you can expect in Florida, especially in the summer months are frequent afternoon showers. These won't hamper your outdoor activities much. It simply cools things off for you so you can enjoy the rest of the day.

- Plenty of things to do:

The hottest travel destination for people heading to Florida is Disney World. If you are taking your family, that may be where you are going—and for good reason. There are many great Disney World vacation packages out there. But there are other things to do in Florida as well. You can visit the National Museum of Naval Aviation, you can book a golf vacation, you can visit one of the many beaches along the coastline. You can also visit Universal Studios or Sea World or Busch Gardens. The Kennedy Space Center is another popular spot for tourists. The possibilities are endless and you will probably never run out of things to do.

- Easy planning:

Because Florida is such a hot-spot for tourists, it makes planning your trip a breeze. You can get great prices on Orlando vacation packages through your travel agent or online. If you go online and perform an internet search, you will find many ways that you can book your vacation





and resources to help you plan the trip. You will also be able to find lots of tips and advice specifically on traveling to Florida because so many people choose to vacation there. Check your library or local bookstore and you will find many books about traveling to Florida as well.

HEADING TO DISNEY WORLD

Most people who travel to Florida go there for one reason—Walt Disney World. This is the hottest vacation destination in Florida, and perhaps one of the most popular places for vacation in the United States. Don't think that only families head there to vacation. There are plenty of travelers who go to Disney World to celebrate weddings, honeymoons and second honeymoons—most of the people without children.

Disney World is truly “the most magical place on Earth” and once you have been there, you are sure to agree. The parks that make up Disney World offer something for everyone and with plenty of on-site lodging and nearby lodging, you are sure to find a place to stay that suits your tastes, needs and your budget. Here are some tips that will help you book your Disney World vacation.

Paying for the trip:

Some people immediately dismiss the idea of taking the whole family on a trip to Disney World because they think that it is too expensive. Disney World isn't cheap, but it is affordable if you plan right. There are many Disneyworld vacation packages that are probably more affordable that you think. You will find a package that will fit your budget no matter how big or small. The fact is that you will probably be surprised at the choices you have with your vacation. Most avid Disney World fans will tell you to save your money before you go and have an idea of what you want out of the trip. Come up with a budget and stick to it. A family of four can easily see and do it all at Disney World for five days for about \$2500 with the right planning.

Ways to save money:

Need ways to save money at Disney World? Of course you do. There are very few people that travel with an unlimited budget. Everyone wants to know where and how they can save money on a trip.





- Getting there:

The biggest place to start saving money is to consider how you will get there. If you book your airline tickets at the last minute, you are sure to pay premium prices. The same is true if you decide to go during peak travel season when the airline tickets will be higher. However, you can save a lot of money if you plan your vacation well in advanced and book early—at least six months in advance is optimal for saving money, but even earlier than that is best.

You can also save a lot of money on your Disney World trip by driving. Even with the price of gas, if you have a large family and you feel that airline tickets are out of your price range, then load up your car and start driving. If you do drive, keep in mind that you will have added expenses to your trip. Consider car maintenances and stops along the way for food or overnight lodging should you find it necessary. These will add to your overall expenses to your trip if you drive. Driving can also be made a part of the trip. Depending on where you are driving from, you may find lots of interesting spots of interest and tourist spots that you and your family can visit long the way.

- Where you stay:

There are lots of places to stay in Orlando and in surrounding areas. You can certainly save money on your lodging if you plan carefully and do your research. Some families choose to stay in an RV park. In fact, Disney World has a place on site called the Fort Wilderness Campground where you can park your RV during your stay. If you own an RV, this can be cost effective. If you don't mind roughing it, you can even pitch a tent at the campground and pay a minimal fee each night you stay.

For those of you who would rather not rough it, you still have plenty of money saving options when you head to Disney World. There are lots of hotels in the surrounding area that are in every price range. You can also research renting a timeshare or a rental home for your trip.

Many people who love to go to Disney World like to stay on Disney property. There are many perks of doing this and you can even save





some money if you stay on site. For example, when you stay at a Disney hotel, you are guaranteed admission into the parks, even on very busy days. People who stay off-site are not guaranteed admission. You can also take advantage of the Magic Hour, where the parks will open a little earlier or stay open a little later. Disney also cares for their patrons and you will have access to transportation to the parks at no additional cost. If you rent a car while you are at Disney and you stay on Disney property, you will not have to pay for parking when you drive to the parks.

When you look into Disney hotels, you will see that there are many hotels that are run by Disney. There are grouped in to the high, moderate and low price range. These prices also fluctuate depending on when you travel. Peak season prices will be more, while off peak season prices will be the lowest. These properties are also located all around the Disney World parks, so when you choose one, you will first decide on your price range and then decide exactly where you want to stay in the park.

Travelers who have been to Disney more than a couple of times and have stayed in a variety of their on-site hotels will tell you that there really are no bad hotels run by Disney. It all depends on how much you want to spend and the amenities you want. For example, on the higher end of the price range, you will find Animal Kingdom Lodge, which is an exceptionally rated hotel. The higher priced rooms (up to \$500 a night) offer views of the savanna where there are free roaming zebras, giraffes and other wildlife. The rooms are small, but are nicely decorated. Amenities and the hotel include room service, several high end eating establishments, two pools, and more.

On the lower end of the price spectrum, you will find the Pop Century and the All-Star among others. These rooms are very adequate. They offer two double beds, a clean bathroom, television and storage. While you are here, you can expect to pay about \$100 per night. While you won't find high end eating or room service, you will find clean pools, a laundry mat, bus transportation to the parks and mall area with shopping and fast food-type eating.

Where you stay will boil down to how much you want to spend and what you want. If you just want a place to shower and sleep, then the lower end hotels are very adequate. You can also look into the mid-range





places which will be somewhere in between. If your family is larger and you need a bigger place to stay, you can also check into the Fort Wilderness Campground, which offers cabin lodging that sleeps up to six and offers a small kitchen. These are priced around \$250 a night. This is the biggest way to save money on your Disney World trip.

- Your park passes

When you travel to Disney World for your family vacation, you will need park passes. This will cost you quite a bit and will take a large chunk out of your travel funds. Florida residents are able to purchase discount tickets, but if you do not reside in the state, how can you save money on your tickets?

A basic one day park pass to one park can cost you around \$80. Just think of how much it will cost a family of four to get tickets for five days! However, the good news is that you can save money. When you buy “add ons” to your tickets, you will get more benefits and save money. The Park Hopper passes are your best deal. A Park Hopper pass will give you the option of visiting any or all of the parks on a single day. This is often the best choice for families. You can visit Magic Kingdom during the day and then head on over to EPCOT to catch the fireworks at night. These Park Hopper passes will add \$52 to your ticket price. So if you buy a six day pass for \$231 and add the Park Hopper pass for \$52, it equals to about \$47 a day, which is almost half off the regular one day park pass. While there is really not a way to get cheaper tickets for Disney World, you don’t necessarily have to buy them through a travel agent. You can get your tickets through online vendors (just made sure they are legitimate) or even at your local Disney World stores.

Also, before you buy your passes for your Disney World passes, think about what you really want to do once you get out there. As mentioned, you can spend extra money on extra perks added to your tickets, but are they really things that you want? For example, should you add the extra \$52 per ticket for the Park Hopper option? It depends. Most people do. This gives you a lot more flexibility when you go to the parks. But, if you are only going to be at Disney World for a short time, or you know you are only interested in say, Magic Kingdom, then maybe that is not the right option for you.

You can also add the option of visiting the other attractions out there.





There are two water parks, Disney Quest, mini golf and even the popular Wide World of Sports. For an additional \$52 per ticket, you can add these to your trip. If you are going for six days, an additional \$52 to each ticket will get you six visits to any of the above. Before you plunk down that money ask yourself if you really are interested in water parks or mini golf when you have Animal Kingdom, Magic Kingdom, EPCOT and Hollywood Studios (formally called MGM Studios). Given most families, those four parks alone will take up most of your time, so think carefully before you add these options to your tickets. For a family of four, that can add up to \$208 for something you may or may not use.

Last of all, look at the expiration option on your tickets. In the past, Disney World passes never expired. If you bought tickets for 5 days and only used 3 days, you could come back and use those remaining 2 days at any time. However, tickets now expire 15 days after you use the first time. Disney knows that some travelers like to no expiration policy, so have further added a no expiration option for additional fees. For a six day pass, you can add \$84 to your ticket price and your tickets never expire. Again for a family of 4, that will add \$336. If you know you will be using all of your days on your tickets or that you will not be returning soon, then you may not need that additional purchase.

Opting out of the additional attractions and the no expiration option can save a family of 4 \$544 on their tickets. That can easily pay for meals while you are on your trip, so choose your ticket options carefully before you purchase.

Of course, the other option you have is the season pass. This is only a good deal if you plan on returning to Disney World within the year. You can get an annual Disney World pass for \$489. If you take a six day trip now and a six day trip later in the year, your tickets now averages \$40.75 a day, which is not a bad deal for Disney Park Hopper passes. This includes Park Hopper Passes for all four parks. For the premium annual pass which adds admission to the water parks, mini golf and Disney Quest, you will pay \$619.

- Feeding the family:

Another easy way to save money on your Disney World trip is watching what you spend for food and beverages. Disney does a very good job of getting you in the parks and keeping you there all day. You are then at





their mercy for feeding your family and the prices at any Disney eating establishment is not cheap. Do your research before you go and look at average prices for even the fast food-type eating places within the parks. You will find that it is nothing to pay \$5 for a hot dog! Disney does not allow outside food or drinks inside the parks, but there are things you can do to save lots of money on food and drinks. Consider the following:

Eat breakfast before hitting the parks:

As soon as you arrive in Orlando, seek out a grocery store and load up on groceries—breakfast items, snacks and drinks. Take them to your hotel and eat breakfast before you go to the parks. Most families that go to Disney World will probably opt for a breakfast with Disney characters and while these are great fun for the kids, just know that you will be spending about \$40 a person! Fill up before you hit the parks and save a lot of money.

Take water bottles to the parks:

If you travel to Disney during the warmer weather, you are going to get thirsty walking all day. One easy tip is to take each family member an empty water bottle into the park (hang it on your belt loop) and fill it at the water fountains. You can even get a supply of water flavors from your grocery store to add to the water. Each time you fill up your water bottle, you are saving about \$6.

Leave the parks for meals:

Any seasoned Disney traveler will tell you that trying to get your family lunch at noon inside any Disney park will leave you tired and grumpy. The lines are long and the food is expensive and mediocre. You can leave the park and go back to your hotel for a sandwich or find a less expensive fast food place to grab a quick bite to eat and then return to the park. Once you are inside the Disney property it is easy to get absorbed into the Disney culture and forget that people live in the area, so with a bit of driving, you will find stores and places to eat just like you would at home.

Another trick that won't really save you money, but will save you time





is to plan to eat later in the day and to eat one large meal a day. Have a good breakfast before you hit the park, pack some filling snacks to eat during the day and then eat a large meal around 3. You avoid the crowds and won't need to eat both lunch and dinner.

Look at the Disney dining options:

One relatively new way to save money at the Disney parks is to invest in the Disney Dining Plan. If you book a Magic Your Way Disney Package, you have the option of adding a meal each day to your plan. You will get one table service meal a day that includes entrée, dessert and drink or buffet, one quick service meal that includes a combo meal and one snack a day. This price varies depending on age (a child is cheaper) and your package, but for ages 10 and up, it is about \$40 a day, which could be a good deal if you want to eat that much a day. The dining plan is not available for purchase individually and must be bought with a package plan that includes your lodging and park passes.

Curb daily expenses:

If you are taking the whole family to Disney, you know that your children will want to buy a lot of Disney souvenirs and just like everything at Disney, it is not cheap. Have your kids save money before you go or give them a daily allowance to avoid them asking for money all day. Character autographs also make cheap and popular souvenirs. You will pay about \$10 for an autograph book at Disney, but you can easily get one before you go at your local dollar store. Take a large pen or marker and your kids can stand in line to get autographs from their favorite Disney characters.

These tips barely scratch the surface of traveling and saving money at Disney World. If you are planning a trip, there are some excellent sources for practical tips for Disney trips. There are also "unofficial" Disney travel books that everyday people offer up their best tips. Read these and do your research and you will find that you can plan a fun trip to Disney World without breaking the bank. Remember, Disney is a magical place, so spend your time enjoying your trip, not worrying about the money.





FLORIDA GOLF VACATIONS

Maybe you are not heading off to Florida for Disney World. Maybe you are an avid golfer and you want to enjoy the many Florida greens and the excellent weather. You are in luck because Florida golf vacations are extremely popular and for each traveler heading to Florida to visit Disney World or the beach, there is someone heading there to putt the greens.

If you have never golfed in Florida before, there are only a few things to remember. First of all, there are lots of great courses out there. You will need to research each one to find the ones you want to visit. You should also know that you can get a complete golf package booked online or through your travel agent. There several travel websites that cater to those headed to Florida for golf. To make your search easier, just perform a search in your favorite search engine. Try “Orlando golf vacation packages” or “golf vacation packages Florida” to help get you started. Soon, you will be on your way to a fun and exciting golf vacation.

Need to know more about the greens in Florida? Here is a quick list of some of the more popular golf courses around the state and in the Orlando area:

- Golden Hills Golf and Turf Club:

The Golden Hills Golf and Turf Club is popular among travelers and local residents that love golf. This popular golf course sits on some of the highest land in Florida and is located in Marion County. This is challenging course that many avid golfers enjoy because of the scenic and varied terrain.

- Black Diamond Ranch Golf & Country Club:

The Black Diamond Ranch & Golf Country Club is another popular golf spot for many. This 45 hole course located in Lecanto features the “Quarry” which is known as the best of the three courses at this country club. It is very scenic and known as a more challenging course.

- Highlands Reserve Golf Club:

This golf course was designed by Mike Dasher and is located in Davenport. It features 120 feet of elevation change and has a nice view of the surrounding area. This golf course is located about 45 minutes





southwest of Orlando, which makes it popular among golf buffs who have family members visiting Disney World.

- Mill Cove Golf Club:

This is one of the highest rated golf course and is located Jacksonville. Mill Cove Golf Club features over 6,500 yards of golfing from the longest tee. It has Bermuda grass and was designed by Arnold Palmer. This golf course has reservations and tee times that can be booked online, which makes planning a breeze.

- Victoria Hills Golf Club:

Located in Deland, is not your average Floridian golfing experience, but is designed more like a Carolina course and features rolling hills with up to 80 feet of elevation. This is a very popular course for visitors.

These are just a small choice of the many Florida golf courses. Why are golf course here so popular? A lot of it has to do with the great terrain and the terrific weather. Where else but Florida will you find mild weather suitable for outdoor activities near year round?

Do you need some more Florida golf tips? Consider the following:

- Know who you are traveling with before you book:

Golfing vacation are most appealing to men who are looking for a good “buddy” trip. If your friends love golf, then what better way to get away from it all for a couple of days? You should, however, know who you are traveling with before you go. If you are planning a trip with several other people, make sure that everyone that is going will play well together. You know that tempers can flare on the course, so make sure everyone knows each other and their tendencies. This will make everyone on the trip happy and make it a little more harmonious. If you hate staying up until 3 a.m. drinking beer, then leave those buddies out of the planning.

- Consider the hotel:

Ever stayed in a single room with two double beds with three other people? That is probably not the optimal time for anyone. However, you





also know that if each person books their own room, it can get pricey. Instead of booking individual rooms, why not consider a hotel that has connecting suites or renting a weekend condo or timeshare instead? This gives everyone in your group a little room to breathe and will make everyone happier.

- Don't plan at the last minute:

If you are planning on a golf trip to Florida, just remember that during peak season, the popular golf courses book very fast. You will need to make sure that you have a tee time and book well in advanced—sometimes even months ahead of time. If you decide on booking a complete vacation package, make sure that the tee times are reserved for you and that everything is confirmed before you go.

- Packages can offer good deals:

Many people who book golf vacations will book a package. This is often a smart thing to do when you want all of your plans taken care of for you. Make sure you book your package early and that you think about all of the things that everyone in your party wants to do. You can often save money and time by opting for a package deal, rather than booking it for yourself.

- Stay flexible:

One of the most important things you can do when you book a golf vacation is to stay flexible. Things change and you need to roll with the punches. If you want to save money, staying flexible can pay off for you. Early and late tee times are often offered at reduced rates. This same is true for when you book your vacation. Off peak season may work well for you and your travel party and you will find good golfing year round in Florida. Keep this in mind and you may save lots of money on your flight, lodging and courses.

- Read the fine print:

As with any vacation, make sure you read the fine print and you understand the limitations and restrictions. Don't assume you will get golf clubs to borrow, make sure before you head out. Reading the fine





print will ensure that you and everyone else has a great trip.

- Remember the busy season:

Did you know that golf courses in Florida are most busy during the winter months? If that deters your vacation plans, then plan on going during another time of the year. Summers can be hot, but if you can book your tee times early or late, it can pay off for you. If you want to avoid the crowds keep this in mind when you book.

- Plan other activities:

It is a good idea to know about other things you can do if, for example, you experience bad weather and can't golf one day of your trip. Florida has many popular attractions and you need to explore your options before you go.

These tips will help you plan a great Florida golf vacation.





MORE GREAT US TRAVEL SPOTS

The United States is a great place if you are into traveling. There are so many places to visit that you would never run out of places to go. We have already taken a look at some of the popular travel destinations in Florida, but what about other travel destinations? How about Colorado? California? Las Vegas? Or even Hawaii? It is true—all of these are also extremely popular places to visit right here in the United States.

Once you get an idea of where you want to go, you will start planning your vacation. Some people certainly prefer to map out every day, every hour and every minute they spend on their trip. This does make it easy to make sure that every detail is taken care of before you board the plane, but it is also time consuming. There are some places you can go where you can forget about time all together and just relax and have fun. Las Vegas and Hawaii are two such spots.

Let's take a closer look at these two very popular travel destinations and offer some tips for planning trips to each location.

Las Vegas:

Also known as “Sin City”, Las Vegas has been an important and popular travel spot in the US for many years. It is here that you can truly escape the day-to-day rigors of your life and let it all go. You know the old saying, “What happens in Vegas, stays in Vegas” and for the party person, this is certainly the truth.

In addition, you will find that Las Vegas fits the travel needs of all types of travelers. Business people often find themselves in Vegas for conference and business trips. You can enjoy Vegas in a day or two. Couples often flock to Vegas to get married on the fly or to take a honeymoon or even to renew vows or celebrate a second honeymoon. Despite the image of Las Vegas, families can go to Vegas too and take the kids and not run out of things to do.

Need some tips for traveling to Las Vegas? Consider the following to help you plan and book your trip.

- Save money by booking a package:
If you have never been to Las Vegas before and you want the ultimate Vegas experience, then you might want to think about looking at the many Vegas vacation packages that are often offered online and through travel agents. If you are planning a big event there, such as a bachelor





party, a wedding or family reunion, this is often the way to go. A vacation package can help make sure that you are getting all of the amenities you want while helping you save money in the process.

- **Travel to Las Vegas in the off season:**
Time never stops in Las Vegas—there is entertainment to enjoy, food to eat and money to gamble around the clock. However, that does not mean that you can't save money by booking in the off season. Even Las Vegas experiences highs and lows in the travel season. If you can endure the high temperatures in the summer months, you can often get rock bottom prices for many of the hotels on and off The Strip. If you hate the crowd then by all means, avoid traveling to Las Vegas during college spring break week and holidays. You will find that everything is more expensive and crowded during these times.
- **Set a budget:**
When you are in Las Vegas, it is very easy to forget that on Monday morning you have to go back to your “real” life and that means you have to have money to pay your bills. People get in big trouble in Vegas when they don't set a firm gambling budget. Do this before you go—take cash and when it is gone, then you are done gambling. Another strategy that many casual gamblers find helpful is that when you win money, save half of it. If you do that, you will never walk out of casino completely broke.
- **Buy your entertainment tickets early:**
You can't go to Las Vegas without seeing a show or two. The tickets for some of the more popular shows are pricey, but many are well worth the ticket price. If you want to see a great show and get great seats, make sure you book your tickets well in advance. Popular shows do sell out quickly.
- **Check out the free and low cost things to do:**
There are many things to do in Vegas besides gambling and glitzy shows. You can enjoy a wide variety of free (and oftentimes family friendly) entertainment all up and down The Strip. Do you love window shopping? Check out Caesar's Palace. Take the kids to the nickel arcade at Circus Circus, hit the penny slots at Slots of Fun. See the lion exhibit at the MGM Grand or go visit the white tigers at the Mirage. You can stay busy all day without gambling away your kid's college fund





when you look around.

These are just a few tips that will help you conquer one of the most popular travel destinations in Las Vegas. There is always a great time to be had in Sin City—just plan ahead and enjoy a trip, no matter who travels with you.

Traveling to California:

Another popular travel destination in the United States is California. California a large state and no matter where you go, you will find something to keep you busy. When you get ready to book California vacation packages for your trip, consider the things that you really want to do and start planning.

Here is a brief look at some of the most popular travel destinations in California.

- San Francisco:

San Francisco is a beautiful historic city that offers something of interested to everyone. If you are wine lover, there are many wine vineyards nearby that you can visit for the day. If you are taking your children with you, make sure you ride the cable cars and visit Fisherman's Wharf. Pier 39 is a great spot to take the kids. You will find wonderful street performers, and your visit would not be complete without taking in the sea lions that rest on the pier. If you love eating, get some authentic sour dough bread at Bodin's which is baked fresh right on site. How about visiting Alcatraz? Older kids will appreciate this popular travel site.

A trip to San Francisco would also not be complete without taking in the Golden Gate Bridge. This is an engineering marvel that everyone needs to see at least once in their lifetime. Stop along the side and view the breathtaking view. Also, visit Chinatown, Lombard Street and Union Square. You will find that San Francisco is rich in history and culture and you could spend your entire vacation here without running out of things to do and see.

- Los Angeles:

People from all over love to flock to Los Angeles. This is a great place to visit if you are into the rich and famous. Hollywood is nestled right in Los Angeles, making it a popular tourist spot. Disneyland is located right outside LA and this is a big hit for families. Universal Studios Hollywood will also be popular with your kids (and you if you love movie and film stars). This is a movie-theme park that was once a studio set. If you head





to Hollywood, make sure you see the Walk of Fame and the Grauman's Theatre for a bit of culture.

If you want to spend a few days "people watching" then make sure you head to Rodeo Drive. There is window shopping galore here and you may even run into a movie or television star. You can do the same if you visit nearby Venice Beach or Sunset Boulevard.

If you love soaking in the sun, make sure you take in one of the many local beaches including Manhattan Beach and Redondo Beach. If your kids still want more to do, there is always Knott's Berry Farm and Six Flags Magic Mountain.

- San Diego:

San Diego is known for its beautiful scenery and the beaches. If you come to California, San Diego might just be on your to-do list. What else can you do while you are in San Diego? A short drive to the nearby Oceanside will have you at Legoland, an extremely popular destination for LEGO loving children of all ages. Sea World is another popular stop in San Diego. If you stay in San Diego for a few days, you will easily find that you can enjoy the clean beaches all day. This is a perfect spot for surfers, sea fishing and other water activities. You can also travel to San Diego and enjoy many nice restaurants as well as other popular attractions for you and your whole family.

When you visit California, you are certain to never run out of things to do. Decide exactly what you want to do and then plan accordingly. When you come to California, you will find that you can strike a good balance of finding things for you to do as well as things that your children will enjoy doing. There are many National Parks here if you enjoy camping, fishing or hiking or just want to take your kids to visit some of the grandeur of the state. You will also find a wide variety of theme parks, amusement parks, wineries, beaches and museums.





Remember that California is broken up into the regions including:

- San Diego County
- Deserts
- Los Angeles County
- Orange County
- Central Coast
- North Coast
- Shasta Cascade
- Central Valley
- Gold Country
- High Sierra
- San Francisco Bay Area

Each of these areas is unique in activities, things to do, terrain and weather.

Colorado Ski Trips:

Maybe the sunny weather and lazy beaches are not your thing. Maybe you don't want around the clock entertainment or you want to avoid busy family tourist spots. How about ski vacation packages?

Colorado ski vacation packages are among some of the most popular in the US. If you love hitting the slopes, or even if you have never tried it but want to, then Colorado is the place to be.

The great thing about taking a ski vacation to Colorado is that there are things to do for everyone. You can take your entire family there and even if you or your children have never skied, most ski resorts offer classes and training to teach you the basics.

If you are more experienced, you can get your thrills on more advanced terrain and slopes. After a busy day of skiing, you can relax with fine dining, shopping and entertainment.





If you are interested in planning a Colorado ski vacation, here are some easy to follow tips to help get you started with all of your travel needs.

- **Plan ahead:**
You have probably noticed a trend in vacation planning—plan ahead and that is certainly true for ski vacations, especially if you plan on traveling during the peak seasons. The Christmas holidays will be the most crowded as will the weekends. For the best prices, check weekday rates and book well in advance.

- **Consider your lodging options:**
There are many ski resorts and lodging available in Colorado. You should take the time to do your research to find the one that best suits your needs. For example, if you have small children, then a resort that caters to families is a good option, however, if you want a romantic getaway, then avoid family spots. If you want additional amenities such as a spa, fine dining and room service, the shop around to find the right one for you.

- **Think about equipment:**
Skiing requires a lot of special equipment. Do you have it? If you spend a lot of money buying it, will you use it again? Before you spend a lot of money on ski equipment think about borrowing or buying second hand. You might even find that your resort rents certain equipment for your use. It is often a waste of money to buy pricey ski equipment only to find that you will never use it again.

- **Think about the kids:**
Skiing can certainly be a great activity for kids, but if they are very young or have never been skiing before, it may prove a challenge. Most resorts will offer ski classes for young children and beginners, but do you feel comfortable turning your child over to a stranger for the day? If your child is too young to ski are there things to keep them busy while everyone else is outside? These are all considerations to make before you spend money booking a ski trip. If you do bring the kids, you might be surprised to learn that many resorts cater to families and children will be able to do things for free.





- Rent a lodge or condo:
If you are traveling with a large group or you have a large family, then why not consider renting a condo or lodge that is privately owned? You can have a lot more room when you do this and you can even take advantage of having a kitchen so you can cook meals during the day.
- Pack wisely:
Packing is half of the battle when you travel to Colorado for a ski trip. If you are not from a cold climate, you may show up unprepared for the weather waiting for you. It is cold and wet so make sure you have all the necessary gear to keep warm. That includes thick coats, gloves, hats, scarves, waterproof boots and even sunscreen. If you arrive unprepared, you can always buy what you need, but you will be sure to pay the higher prices for not being prepared. You can get online or read travel books to find out exactly what you should pack when you take a ski vacation.

Skiing is a great vacation for the adventurous. Even if you have never tried it before, you can still have a great time at a resort that gives you lessons. When you get ready to book your trip, do your research to ensure that you are getting the best deal.

Traveling to Hawaii:

Another very popular travel destination in the United States is Hawaii. There are people that save for a long time to take a dream vacation to Hawaii. However, you can now find great deals on all sorts of Hawaii vacation packages to fit any budget.

Hawaii is a popular spot for families with children of all ages, family reunions, weddings and honeymoons. With beautiful clean beaches, rich history and great hospitality, Hawaii will leave everyone in your travel party happy.

Here are some helpful planning tips that you can follow before you book your dream vacation.

- Decide where you want to go:
When you travel to Hawaii, you have to know where you want to go before you go. There is so much to do and see that if you arrive without a plan, you will feel completely at a loss. There are several islands in Hawaii that you can visit and each one will offer something different





for you. It is highly recommended that you take the time to read up about each island. Find out which ones most fit your time-frame, your budget and your interests. It is also recommended that you avoid a lot of “island hopping”, as this will cause you to lose a lot of sightseeing time in airports and traveling back and forth. If you are staying a week, you should be able to visit two islands, but more than that in that short time frame will cause you to waste a lot of time. Travelers will tell you that you will need your vacation time doing and seeing the things you want to do and see instead of traveling back and forth between islands.

- Plan your trip so that you arrive directly at the island you want to most visit:
When you travel to Hawaii, you could have long layovers, so it is recommended that before you book a trip, you make sure that you will arrive directly at the island you want to visit. You can easily find direct flights to Maui, Big Island, Oahu and Kauai.
- Look for the best deals by booking early:
Look for great prices during the lowest travel times. Avoid summer months if you want to avoid large crowds. You can get good prices by using one of the many online booking websites. Simply use search engine terms such as “cheap vacation packages hawaii” and “hawaii cheap vacation packages”. This will help you start booking good deals on your trip and help you save money.
- Keep the local laws in mind:
Take the time to familiarize yourself with the local laws before you travel. It is against the law on most islands to interfere with the flora and the fauna. You will want to avoid picking flowers. You will also want to know that there is no smoking in Hawaii. While it is not completely “no smoking”, the laws are very stringent here. You won’t find smoking allowed in bars, nightclubs, hotels, parks, stores, malls, movie theaters, airports or even in walkways. Smoking is a no-no here, so know before you go.
- Research lodging possibilities:
As you plan your trip, take care in looking and comparing lodging for you and your family. If you are traveling with your children, then look at resorts that cater to families. You will want children’s activities as well as places that your family can eat at meal times. There are many resorts





that cater to families with children of all ages, so seek these types of places out before you book.

On the other hand, if you are traveling to Hawaii for a honeymoon or to celebrate a romantic getaway, then you will probably want to avoid the hotels and resorts that are more “kid friendly”. There is nothing that ruins a nice night out than a family with screaming, over tired children. While you will not be able to completely avoid families and children when you head to Hawaii, you can reduce your chances by booking a private home, condo or other type of lodging.

- Plan ahead:
There are so many things to do and see in Hawaii. Before you go, make sure you know what you want to do. If the attraction requires reservations or tickets, get those in advance to avoid disappointment when you get there.
- Get an understanding of the culture
Local residents will appreciate it if you take the time to learn a bit about local culture. You are from the “mainland”. People that live in Hawaii are also from “the states” and they see no difference. They refer to themselves as Hawaiians or locals. There are also subtle differences in sayings and certain words, so read up and make sure you know what you are talking about before you arrive.

Some of the more popular Hawaiian attractions include:

- Hanauma Bay
- Hawaii Volcanoes National Park
- Haleakala National Park
- Hilton Waikoloa Village
- Honolulu
- Iao Valley State Park
- Kaanapali
- National Tropical Botanical Garden
- Maui Ocean Center
- Laie
- Mauna Kea
- Sea Life Park
- Shipwreck Beach





- Wailua
- Waimea Canyon
- Na Pali Coast State Park
- Waimea Valley Audubon Center
- Waipio Valley and Overlook

This is just a very small list of things to do in Hawaii. There are so many other things to do while you are here. Take the time to find out what you want to do so that you can have a dream vacation.





SOAKING UP THE SUN AT THE BEACH

With all of the choices that you have in vacations, it is easy to see why people feel overwhelmed with their choices. You have taken a look at some of the popular travel destinations in the United States, but this small compared to the many other places that you can go.

When many people visualize a vacation, they do not think of visiting a hustling and bustling and overcrowded theme park. They want to relax and take it easy. If you love the sun and want to get away from it all, think about one of the many beaches. Have you considered Cancun? Or maybe the Caribbean islands? There are many great beach vacations that you can take that will satisfy a beach and sun lover.

- **Booking your trip:**
If you do decide that you want to take a beach vacation, how do you get started with your planning? Even if you think it is going to be very easy, you may find that all of the beach vacation packages that are out there are confusing. You will find that there are many choices in places to go, beaches to see, extra activities to enjoy, lodging and even places to eat. How do you find just the one that is right for you?

One way to find out which island vacation packages will suit your needs is to do your research. What do you want to do? Are you interested in an island resort that gives you a lot of extra amenities such as fine dining, shopping, and even scuba diving lessons? There are plenty of resorts that offer this kind of treatment for all of their guests.

If you are taking the kids along with you, then maybe there are other resorts that are better suited for your needs. Maybe you want to stay at a hotel that offers activities for your children such as swimming lessons or swimming with the dolphins. Lots of kid friendly hotels have a kid's club or a kid's camp where kids can be entertained by trained hotel staff while you enjoy adult activities.

Perhaps you are the type of person that does not want to have every minute of your day planned. You simply want to head to a nice beach and relax for the better part of the day. There are places for you too. Avoid some of the more crowded resorts and rent a condo with a private beach or similar lodging. You will get the comfort of home and a nice, relaxing time.





When you are ready to start your search for beach vacations, you can get online to compare packages. Search engines provide an excellent source of information. You can find what you are looking for by typing in phrases such as “cheap vacation packages Cancun”, or “Caribbean vacation packages”.

When you know where you want to go, perhaps you are worried about how much the vacation will cost you. Beach vacations are generally less expensive than some of the other vacations that you can take, but you will need to plan carefully to make sure you are getting the best deal. The good news is that there are plenty of ways to save money.

The following will help you save money and still have a great time.

- **Avoid peak season:**
If you have ever been to the beach during a college spring break, then you know how frustrating the crowds can be. Not only are the beaches crowded, but these are peak times and everything will be much more expensive. Take the time to see about the peak seasons where you travel. The best, cheapest and least crowded time to do will be a few weeks before or after major holidays including Easter, Memorial Day and Labor Day. You will find that many times, the weather will still be very nice and you will pay less for your entire trip.
- **Don't book early:**
While this usually goes against every travel rule, if you have a flexible schedule and can travel at the last minute throw the rules out the window. Last minute travelers can often get rock bottom prices for condos and other rental properties. This is because if these places are not booked, property owners would rather fill the rooms by renting them out cheaply rather than having them empty. This can really play in your favor if you do not mind the last minute planning and can travel at the very last minute. Call around to see if you can snag this type of deal.
- **Forego the hotel:**
Instead of renting a hotel at a busy resort, think about renting a home, condo or other private lodging. These are usually well equipped, close to the beach and will give you the comforts of home. In addition, if you have a place with a kitchen, you will certainly save a bundle by not eating out for every meal. You can cook your meals and not worry about eating at overpriced and crowded restaurants. If you do stay in a hotel,





most rooms now come with a small refrigerator. Stock it with drinks, lunch meats and other favorite snacks. Eat your breakfast and lunch in your room and that will be two less meals that you have to pay for each day.

- Don't buy at the expensive tourist spots:
Remember that when you travel, there are people that live in the area. They don't pay those ridiculous prices for food, beer and other essentials. In order to save lots of money, learn where the locals go to shop and go there to stock up. Get an inexpensive cooler and you will be set for the day. If you can drive out past the touristy spots, you will find plenty of reasonably priced places.
- Look at renting equipment:
After you get to your travel destination, think about the things that you will need or the things that will make your trip better. For example, if you arrived by an airplane, chances are you couldn't bring along your beach umbrella, chairs and even large amounts of sunscreen. You can buy these items when you get there, but you will pay a premium price. You can save money by looking at renting some of the items. You can often rent a beach umbrella and chairs to use for the day. If you are there for a long time, one trick is to buy the items at a cheap place and then at the end of your trip, you can find someone arriving and offer to let them have it or buy it from you.

A beach vacation sounds nice, doesn't it? Need some more ideas on great vacations? Consider the following:

- Cancun:
Cancun is considered the most popular beach in Mexico. Here you will find plenty of places to stay, great dining, night clubs, bars and entertainment. This is a great getaway if you don't find a little bit of a crowd.
- Acapulco:
This is a very nice beach and you will find great resorts and plenty of beautiful beaches. There are plenty of trendy nightclubs, too.
- Cabo San Lucas:





Located at the far tip of Baja Peninsula, this beach is considered by many a true beach lover paradise. You will find a natural reserve and lots of water sports and golf.

- Tulum Beach:

Located near the Caribbean coast, this beach is thought to be one of the prettiest beaches. Part of the beauty is the nearby Mayan ruins overlooking the beach. You will find lots of shops, dining, cafes and quaint hotels. This is a much less crowded beach area than some other places.

- San Jose del Cabo Beach:

Also located at the Mexico Baja Peninsula, here you will find a very relaxed and easy going spirit, unlike many other tourist beach spots. Beautiful landscaping, natural flora and fauna and clean beaches make this is a great place to visit when you are traveling on vacation. You will also love the other activities here such as cliff hiking, sunset boat cruises, bird watching, camping, sailing, horseback riding and nature walks.

- Playa del Carmen

Playa del Carmen will offer you a quiet place to stay and if you love history, this is the place for you. You can enjoy the local culture while soaking in the sun. This beach offers white sandy beaches and cool waters. If you love wildlife, then make sure you take a trip out to swim with the dolphins and take a snorkeling trip while you are here, too.

- Puerto Vallarta

This is a tourist spot that you can enjoy. You will find clean waters and beaches, lots of water activities and plenty of hotels and resorts to choose from. For anyone that loves the beach, this is a true beach lover's paradise. Whale watching is at a prime here too. You can pay to take a whale watching cruise that quickly becomes the highlight of many travelers who visit here.

As you can see taking a beach vacation is in your best interest if you want a truly relaxing getaway.





TRAVELING OUT OF COUNTRY

Where in the world do you want to go? Maybe you have seen and done it all in the United States. Maybe you have traveled to the beaches of Mexico and you are looking for more. Perhaps you have a chance of a lifetime to take that dream European vacation. That is certainly something that you will remember for the rest of your life!

Traveling out of the United States and Mexico area is a great idea for anyone that is interested in seeing the world. You may think that it is hard to make plans for such a big trip. If you dream of traveling the world, don't think that you can't. It may seem overwhelming at first, but there are plenty of world vacation packages that will plan your traveling for you.

In addition, depending on where you want to go, you will find that online travel agents can help you make sure you have everything in order before you go. You must be prepared to take such a large trip. If you leave and your paperwork and other travel plans are not in place, you could find yourself in a bad situation. Just remember that traveling overseas is not as easy as it is to travel locally. It does take more time and preparation.

If you are looking for Italy vacation packages or other European vacation package and need tips for overseas travel, here are some helpful tips that will assist you in making sure your trip turns out well.

- Register your travel plans:
Did you know that when you travel overseas, you can register your trip with the State Department? What does this do for you and your travel plans? It could save you a lot of headache later down the road. When you register with the State Department they can assist you in case there is an emergency. It is free to register and this department can contact your family if a need arises. This is a great thing to do if you are taking an extended overseas vacation.
- Get your paperwork in order:
There is lots of paperwork that you need in order to travel out of the country. It takes several weeks to get a passport and other necessary paperwork, so make sure you get that in order well in advanced. You do not want to be caught without the necessary paperwork.
- Give paperwork to your family or friends:
It is not recommended that you leave for a long trip without informing





your family or friends. You will also want to make sure you make copies of your passport and other paper work and give it to someone who is trusted. Have a detailed list of contact information, itinerary and plane information for them as well. If an emergency arises, they will have all the info that they need to help.

- **Look at your insurance:**
Before you make plans to head out, take a look at your health insurance. Some health insurance plans do not have overseas coverage. You need to call your insurance provider and clarify the type of coverage that you have should you need it while you are traveling overseas. One thing you may not think about is what will happen if there is an emergency and you need medical evacuation. Your insurance policy may not cover such expenses, so double check before you go. If it does not cover, you may be able to purchase supplemental coverage while you are away.
- **Don't be a target for crime:**
Crime is a big problem for tourist. You do not want to become a target while you are traveling. Make sure you do not carry large amounts of cash and don't look like a tourist. It is not recommended that you wear lots of jewelry or flashy clothes. Leave the designer shoes and purses at home, too. Never leave your luggage unattended at the airports and in other public places. It is also not recommended that you take any packages from strangers. It is not uncommon for them to contain drugs and other contraband.
- **Check into the local laws:**
Every time you travel you need to be familiar with the local laws. You will find that they vary every time you go somewhere new. There are some places where smoking is not allowed anywhere out in public and other places where people smoke freely. This is just one example of the many laws you need to know about before you decide to travel out of the country. As a traveler you will find that many local law enforcement agencies target travelers and are not very sympathetic to any breaking of the law. You can find out more about the local laws where you are traveling by going online and doing a little research.
- **Know who to contact in case of emergency:**
When you travel abroad, it is not always easy to get help if you need it. There is help should you need it. Have the numbers for the United





States Embassies and Consulates with you. You can call them any time while you are traveling to get help.

- Plan ahead:
You will need to make sure you are planning ahead when you travel abroad. It is easy to overlook little details and miss something you need. Planning ahead ensure that you have not missed anything before you leave home.

The following are all popular overseas travel destinations that you might want to consider.

- Paris
Visit the famous Eiffel Tower while you are in Paris. Take in the Louvre while you are there too.
- London
London is rich in history and interested architecture. There is plenty of shopping, lodging and sites to see.
- Rome
You will find some of the most famous architectural sites here as well as the famous Sistine Chapel.
- Greece
Greece is full of breathtaking sites and interesting culture.
- Milan
Take in some of the finest Renaissance artwork in the world.

Good luck in your travels overseas. There are plenty of places to visit.





CONCLUSION

Traveling is a great way to spend your time off of work. There are so many places that you can choose from when you decide to take a vacation. You can travel alone, take your better half and even decide to take your whole family with you.

When you decide to travel, you will have a great time making your plans. Whether you book your travel plans yourself or you rely on a travel agent or one of the many online travel agents, you will find that you can do a little research and find that you can compare packages.

Using the Internet

The Internet has really revolutionized that way that travelers can book vacation packages. For example, before the Internet, it was hard to find out exactly where you were going and to get honest reviews. Now, there are many sites that will allow you to compare vacation packages and pick and choose what you need or want. You can also read real-time reviews on just about any location, hotel, resort, night club or restaurant. This will help you book the perfect vacation based on your needs.

Take the time to carefully consider where you want to go and where others in your family (or those going with you) want to go. Think about the types of activities and attractions that will occupy and cater to each person. This will ensure that everyone has a great time.

