## 5 Tips to Help You Save Money on Airfare



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**1. Follow your favorite airlines on Twitter.** Many airlines offer exclusive deals and last-minute savings to their followers. Or, enroll in the airlines' frequent

flyer program to receive specials and promotional deals via email.

2. Use online tools to your advantage. FareWatcher Plus<sup>™</sup> from Travelocity allows you to track up to ten routes and receive notification when the fares increase or decrease by \$25, or fall below a price that you set. Similarly, you can track flights to your destination with tripadvisor.com/Flights and receive an alert when prices drop.

If you want to get away and don't have a specific destination in mind, check **SkyScanner** or Kayak's **Explore** feature, which allow you to type "everywhere" into your search destination to reveal deals to destinations around the world.

**3.** Check fares several times a day. Airfares can rise or fall at any time of day. Although fares are often released every Monday and Tuesday, there isn't a day where flights are cheapest. If you're traveling during a peak holiday time, consider extending your vacation by a few days to take advantage of lower fares on the days leading up to or following the peak time.

**4.** Book early for the cheapest fares. If you know your travel dates three to six months ahead of time, you can often lock into lower fares.

**5.** Consider adding a hotel to your package. You can often save money if you purchase your airfare and hotel as a package, particularly if you're booking last-minute travel.



When comparing prices, always take into account taxes and extra fees, such as baggage fees. Taxes can often double the price, making that seemingly cheap fare to Europe not a great deal at all.