10 Tips to Get the Best Deals on Flight Tickets

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This post is for the people interested in how to get the best deals on flight tickets online. After years of research for my own travels I have gathered 10 tips to help you get the best deals! If you are interested in saving some bucks on your future fares then just continue reading.

This post will guide through the steps on how to do it on your own like a Pro. As you know by now, I like to eliminate the middleman as much as possible plus I save some money at the same time, a win-win situation \bigcirc .

Traveling, discovering new places, and experiencing new cultures is amazing. Ever since my first trip, I have fallen in love with traveling and all things connected. This "luxury" activity is believed to be off-limits for people on a budget but it doesn't have to be. After years of trying different things, I have discovered 10 tips to get the best affordable deals on flight tickets and I am more than happy to share with all of you what steps I take to find the best deal for the desired destination.

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Top 10 tips on how to get the best deals on flight tickets.

1. Always be on the lookout.

If you want to avoid the travel agency cost you have to do things on your own. This means spending some time searching for the best flight deal there is. This might take a while but it will be all worth it in the end.

Checking search engines and airline sites frequently should become a daily routine. Many of them have regular offers for domestic and international flights. Those are great for frequent flyers that are looking to save up, just like YOU!

Pin these in your Travel board for later!

2. Subscribe to price alert.

Once you have the dates and place figured out, a good idea is to let search engines help you with the search. A common practice is to subscribe for price alerts and receive an email every time a desired flight has increased or decreased in price.

The notifications are not a waste of time believe me. Yes, some might not be helpful or you might not like the current price they show but they are totally worth it, just don't despair. These notifications helped me once find a ticket from Berlin to Brussels for only 10 euros. How awesome is that? It is cheaper than a bus fare **?**.

3. Be flexible with dates

If you have the ability to be flexible with the dates then you have more chances of finding better offers. You will be surprised at what difference a day or two can make. There have been cases where a flight a day later was 45 euros cheaper. If you are on the lookout for the best deals like me then you get how this was a total steal \bigcirc . Nowadays, most search engines have the option to choose flexible dates. Just check the box and let the algorithm of the search engine do its job.

4. Delete your browser caches and cookies.

So this might get a bit technical. According to support.google.com

What not many people are aware of is that those cookies and cache are storing data such as the dates you are looking for the flight. There is a conspiracy theory out there that some sites have algorithms that use the saved data against the consumers not showing them the best deals. Whether this is true or not I like to be on the safe side and clear my caches and cookies constantly.

5. Use private window

This will help with comparing prices to avoid tracking. Some sites have algorithms that track your search and preferences. Implementing this trick will prevent getting tricked and so, you will be able to get the best offer. What you need to do is go incognito in google and then voila, no tracking is done!

6. Use different travel search engines

Try switching between one to another to compare prices. There are plenty of different prices for the same flight on different sites. I use the following:

<u>Kayak</u>

<u>Skyscanner</u>

Google flights

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My favorite ones so far have been Skyscanner and Google flights. I just love the options they come up with. You should definitely see what works for you.

7. Check the website of the airline itself.

There is a possibility that the site of the airline company might have a way better offer such as promotional discounts etc. In some cases, we have come across flights that were cheaper on the airline's site. Even though this does not happen frequently you can still get an idea of the flight price.

8. Check skiplagged.com

I love the way they trick the airlines. The idea is to find you the destination with the best deal by hopping on flights where your destination is a stop. It will give you direct flights too but it does not limit you to those if there is a better price.

Let's say you are traveling from New York to LA, direct flight 360 dollars. The site will give you a flight to Reno which has a stop in LA and it costs 250 dollars. So, all you do is hop off at the stop and save 110 dollars. Magic!!!

Check their terms and tips too if you decide to go with them.

9. Use the hopper app

It is designed in a way to trick airlines by predicting if prices will go up and down. On their site, they mention a 95% accuracy up to 1 year in advance. The app itself is free but once you book a flight a small commission of \$5 goes to the company. This commission is included in the flight price.

Note: The app works best for the US

10. Change your IP address

This can be done by using a <u>VPN</u> since airplane companies display different offers for different countries. You will be surprised how much difference there is between different currencies. <u>Here</u> is the one we use all the time.

Final thoughts on 10 tips for deals on flight tickets.

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Finding the best flight deals out there is a commitment you need to make. Be prepared to spend time researching and comparing prices on multiple sites. Algorithms nowadays have become smart but there are still ways to trick them. All tips above are from personal experience. I have found all of them helpful. If you did too, please share this post with your friends on social media. You never know who might be in need of reading this \bigcirc .

Don't forget to follow me on my social media accounts 😉.

<u>Here</u> you can read all about how to create a memorable trip! Do not be shy to check it out.

Do you have any other tips you use? How do you find the best flight deals?

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