

Summer has arrived, the weather's warm and vacation season is in full swing.

Chances are you'll be catching a flight this summer — whether you're going domestic or international, use these tips for a more enjoyable and efficient flying experience.

Find cheap flights with these apps:

**Skiplagged** – Shows you hidden-city ticketing options to get you a flight for up to 50% less. **Hopper** – Predicts upcoming price trends.

Has your flight fare lowered since you booked?

Contact the airline — some will give you the difference back in airline credit.

Traveling outside the country?

Apply for the NEXUS program (\$50 for five years) or Global Entry (\$100 for five years) to expedite the Customs process and skip long security lines in the U.S.

Give up your seat for a travel voucher.

If you're not in a rush to get to your destination and you find yourself on an over-booked flight, let the ticketing counter know. They may offer you travel vouchers for giving up your seat.

5 Long day of travel ahead?

Head to the airport's website to pre-book an airport lounge pass. Gain access to a quiet space with complimentary refreshments, magazines, WiFi, etc. There is an upfront fee, but it provides a relaxing start to your travels.

## PRO TIP:

Email yourself a digital copy of your driver's license and passport in case they are lost or stolen.



## PACK LIKE A PRO

Even if you're only traveling for a few days, a well-packed suitcase can save you tons of time and stress, both at the airport and at your final destination. These tips will help you pack like a pro!

Roll, don't fold.

Organize clothing and toiletries in packing cubes, and use vacuum bags for bulkier items.

Swap out the old broken zipper suitcase for a lighter, more modern one. Checking luggage can be a hassle. Try to travel with your carry-on only.

For the perfect long-haul trip, invest in some good quality, noise-cancelling headphones.

in handy both on the plane and in your hotel. Don't forget to bring a pair.



 Download eBooks and movies onto your mobile device, tablet or laptop for more room in your carry-on bag.

Wear heavier shoes and coats during travel to save space in your suitcase.

Always make a packing list ahead of time.

Portable chargers can save the day when power outlets are in short supply. If you can't live without your device, bring a charger with you.

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