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May 2024

## Save up to 57% on First Class flights to Europe this summer

[We told you last month](#) that American Airlines has introduced a First Class cabin on their nonstop New York-Rome route flying their 777-300, which will be in service only through October 25 this year.

And then the news got even better.

The fares on this route began dipping like the first drop on a roller coaster track. So I can't urge this enough: **BOOK NOW**. When we first saw this flight, the price ranged from \$3,678 to \$8,888. It's now priced at just

**\$2,639**, which is barely more than a transcon Business Class flight.

## NEW YORK TO ROME IN *FIRST CLASS* FOR \$2,639

**American Airlines** 

**DEPART**

New York, NY to Rome, Italy  
Thursday, July 25, 2024 to Friday, July 26, 2024

Flight	Depart	Arrive	Travel time	Class	Seats
246 American Airlines 	10:27 PM JFK	12:45 PM FCO	8h 18m	First	<a href="#">1</a>

**RETURN**

Rome, Italy to New York, NY  
Thursday, August 1, 2024

Flight	Depart	Arrive	Travel time	Class	Seats
245 American Airlines 	5:05 PM FCO	8:30 PM JFK	9h 25m	First	<a href="#">1A</a>

Your trip total  
**\$2,639.00**

Includes taxes, charges and carrier-imposed fees

Passenger	
Trip JFK / FCO	\$525.00
Taxes	\$114.00
Carrier-imposed fees	\$2,000.00
<b>Total (all passengers)</b>	<b>\$2,639.00</b>

Without a shadow of doubt:



It's a similar story for miles. Last month we couldn't find anything lower than 405,500 outbound in July. Now American is offering awards for 144,000 American miles round-trip with about \$67 in taxes on quite a few

days with award seats outbound in July for up to four travelers; on a handful of days with seats for four travelers on the return in August; and on quite a few days with two seats in both directions.

Award seats are offered for 164,000 and \$92 taxes round-trip using Alaska miles.

## AMERICAN AWARD AVAILABILITY BETWEEN NEW YORK AND ROME

Route	Outbound			Return		
	4 to 8 Days Per Month	9 to 12 Days Per Month	13+ Days Per Month	4 to 8 Days Per Month	9 to 12 Days Per Month	13+ Days Per Month
New York-Rome	Aug.	July	July	May, July, Aug.	May, July, Aug.	June

Months in black have at least one seat available; **in blue**, at least two seats; **in green**, at least four seats. Remember to use the data as a guide since availability can be volatile...

## AND NOW PARIS

American Airlines also introduced a First Class nonstop flight from New York to Paris on their 777-300 for as low as **\$3,148**. What is happening over at AA? More, please.

The only catch with this one is that the service is only offered for a very short travel window: from July 19 through August 5, 2024, outbound, and July 20 through August 5 on the return. It's a small window but hey, if it coincides with your cousin Camille doing the cancan on her first night at the Moulin Rouge, then you grab it.

Compare that price to nonstop **Business Class** fares on those dates with American, which range from \$2,922 to \$7,274, and Delta and Air France, which range from \$2,922 to \$3,049. Once again, that's an upgrade from Business to First.



Air France's First Class cabin for the nonstop flight ranges from \$11,425 to \$17,425! And First Class fares on British Airways — with a stop in London — are priced at \$4,206. Lufthansa and SWISS range from \$10,800 to \$13,800. So, \$3,148 is a *fantastique* price and you should grab like a baguette straight out of the oven. Screenshot below.

By the way... For this Paris flight, forget using miles as American's cost is between 153,000 and 410,000 each way.

## NEW YORK TO PARIS IN *FIRST CLASS* FOR \$3,148

**American Airlines**

**DEPART**

New York, NY to Paris, France  
Saturday, July 20, 2024 to Sunday, July 21, 2024

Flight	Depart	Arrive	Travel time	Class	Seats
44 American Airlines	5:29 PM JFK	6:55 AM CDG	7h 26m	First	<a href="#">1</a>

**RETURN**

Paris, France to New York, NY  
Saturday, July 27, 2024

Flight	Depart	Arrive	Travel time	Class	Seats
45 American Airlines	12:15 PM CDG	2:30 PM JFK	8h 15m	First	<a href="#">1A</a>

Your trip total  
**\$3,148.40**

Includes taxes, charges and carrier-imposed fees

Passenger	
Trip JFK / CDG	\$950.00
Taxes	\$198.40
Carrier-imposed fees	\$2,000.00
<b>Total (all passengers)</b>	<b>\$3,148.40</b>

## OTHER ONEWORLD FIRST CLASS FARE FINDINGS

American also operates their 777-300 with a First Class cabin on their nonstop New York-to-London route for as low as \$2,700 for travel in July and August. Compare this to British Airways' summer fare of \$3,239. Otherwise, the fares run from \$2,978 to \$4,227 for the rest of the year.

American's non-stop Dallas-London typical July and August summer fares go for \$4,093. For the rest of the year, they're between \$4,378 and \$7,878. Compare this to BA's summer fare of \$6,433.

American's nonstop Los Angeles-London summer fares go for \$3,735; otherwise, they run from \$4,657 to \$7,478. British Airways' summer fare is \$6,818.

American's non-stop Miami-London route goes for \$3,765 to \$6,378 with typical summer fares running around the \$3,515 mark. Compare this to BA's summer fare of \$4,699.

## MORE CHEAP ONEWORLD SUMMER FIRST CLASS ROUTES

Here are some other out-of-this-world First Class fares you can snag right now:

### ONEWORLD SUMMER FIRST CLASS FARES UNDER \$3,000

From	To	Fare	Travel Window
New York	Rome	\$2,639	July, August
	London	\$2,703	
Boston		\$2,718	

### ONEWORLD SUMMER FIRST CLASS FARES UNDER \$4,000

From	To	Fare	Travel Window
Atlanta	London	\$3,953	August
	Rome	\$3,737	
Austin	London	\$3,766	July, August
		\$3,936	
Boston	Rome	\$3,229	June to August
	London	\$3,291	June
	Cork	\$3,795	July, August
	Dublin	\$3,795	
	Paris	\$3,846	July
	Copenhagen	\$3,859	July, August
Chicago	London	\$3,450	
	Paris	\$3,529	August
	Rome	\$3,541	

From	To	Fare	Travel Window
Cincinnati	Paris	\$3,498	July, August
		\$3,763	July
Dallas		\$3,592	
Denver		\$3,998	July, August
Houston	London	\$3,748	
Las Vegas		\$3,426	August
Los Angeles	Glasgow	\$3,634	June to August
	Edinburgh	\$3,639	
	London	\$3,738	August
	Rome	\$3,871	
Miami	Paris	\$3,082	
	London	\$3,513	July, August
		\$3,629	
Nashville	Rome	\$3,487	
		\$3,014	June
New York	Paris	\$3,039	July to March
	Milan	\$3,056	June to August
	Glasgow	\$3,384	July to September
	Edinburgh	\$3,389	
	Barcelona	\$3,771	
	Madrid	\$3,772	
	Valencia	\$3,933	
	Malta	\$3,938	
	Athens	\$3,958	July, August
	Mykonos	\$3,973	
Orlando	Santorini	\$3,973	
	London	\$3,188	
Pittsburg	Rome	\$3,334	

From	To	Fare	Travel Window
	Paris	\$3,918	July
Portland	London	\$3,766	August
Raleigh	Rome	\$3,487	
Salt Lake City		\$3,691	July, August
	London	\$3,648	
San Francisco	Rome	\$3,969	June to August
Seattle	London	\$3,676	July, August
	Rome	\$3,487	
St. Louis	London	\$3,681	August

## ONEWORLD SUMMER FIRST CLASS FARES JUST OVER \$4,000

From	To	Fare	Travel Window
Atlanta	Copenhagen	\$4,159	August, September
Boise	London	\$4,091	June
Boston	Budapest	\$4,130	
Dallas	London	\$4,091	July, August
Los Angeles	Milan	\$4,056	June, July
Nashville			
	London	\$4,191	August
New Orleans			
New York	Gibraltar	\$4,015	July, August
	Malaga	\$4,024	
	Ibiza	\$4,033	
	Palma	\$4,034	
	Minorca	\$4,079	
	Warsaw	\$4,114	
	Budapest	\$4,130	
	Cork	\$4,136	

From	To	Fare	Travel Window
	Dublin	\$4,136	
Pittsburgh			
San Diego	London	\$4,191	August
Washington, DC	Copenhagen	\$4,159	July, August



## OH BY THE WAY, YOU MAY WANT TO STAY AT THE PRINCE DE GALLES, A LUXURY COLLECTION HOTEL, PARIS

Here at FCF we love the [American Bar Association](#) membership discount strategy and have reported on it many times including [here](#), [here](#), and [here](#). An ABA membership offers great luxury accommodation discounts at high-end hotels such as the Four Seasons, Luxury Collection, Ritz-Carlton, Savoy (Fairmont), St. Regis, and Westin properties, among others. Membership is just \$150 annually, which is paltry considering how it unlocks fantastic deals. Better still, [you don't have to be a lawyer or judge to join!](#)

*Case in point:* With the membership, you can save 39% at the Prince de Galles, a Luxury Collection Hotel, Paris. The screenshot below shows that the average price per night is \$1,088 BEFORE the ABA membership discount, and just \$665 per night AFTER the discount is applied.

**\$1,088 USD PER NIGHT WITHOUT ABA MEMBERSHIP DISCOUNT**



PRINCE DE GALLES  
HOTEL  
PARIS

## Prince De Galles, A Luxury Collection Hotel, Paris

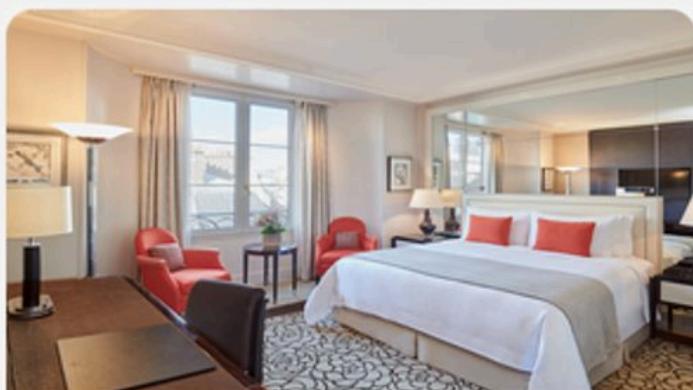
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### STAY DATES

Sun, Jul 21, 2024 - Mon, Jul 22, 2024

### TOTAL STAY

1,010.73 EUR



### 1 King Bed, Art Deco Guest Room

[Room Details](#)

Sun, Jul 21, 2024 - Mon, Jul 22, 2024

1 Room, 1 Adult

[Member Flexible Rate](#)

[Summary of Charges](#)

**1,010.73**

EUR Subtotal

**\$665 USD PER NIGHT WITH ABA MEMBERSHIP DISCOUNT**



PRINCE DE GALLES  
HOTEL  
PARIS

## Prince De Galles, A Luxury Collection Hotel, Paris

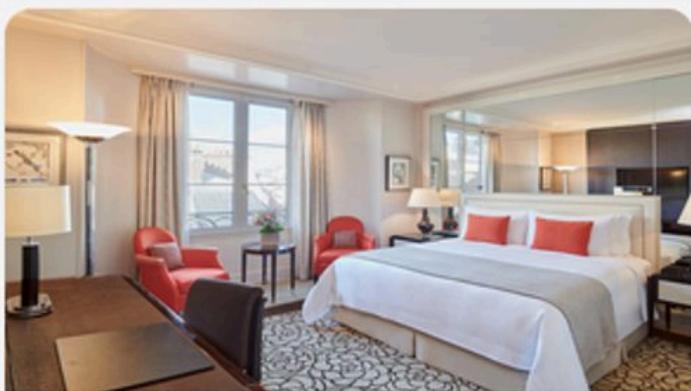
📍 33 Avenue George V, Paris, 75008 France ☎ +33153237777

### STAY DATES

Sun, Jul 21, 2024 - Mon, Jul 22, 2024

### TOTAL STAY

617.73 EUR



### Art Deco, Guest room, 1 King

[Room Details](#)

Sun, Jul 21, 2024 - Mon, Jul 22, 2024

1 Room, 1 Adult

[American Bar Assoc. Rate](#)

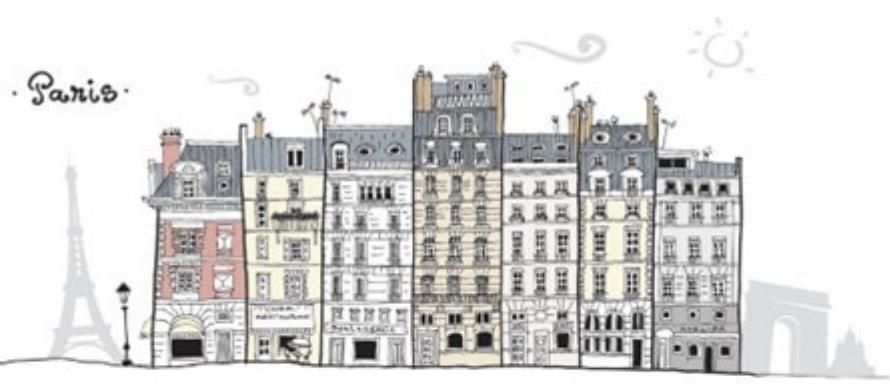
[Summary of Charges](#)

**617.73**

EUR Subtotal

## WHADDYAWAITINGFOR? THREE REASONS TO GO

Treat it like it's your birthday and American Airlines showers you with gifts. First of all, it's in a First Class cabin to a magnificent city (*ciao*, Rome; *bonjour*, Paris). Finally, it's miraculously inexpensive, saving you thousands of greenbacks. Go on then, *arrivederci* and *au revoir!*





# For First and Business Tokyo Flyers: Loyalty Loses, Connections Win (Free Upgrades)

May 2024

## How to save up to 191,500 miles in Business Class to Asia

Perfectionism and travel don't go well together, as we discussed in [this March article](#). But it doesn't mean imperfection is the end-all-be-all for Business and First Class flyers heading to Tokyo. FCF finds that those who consider their travel plans an [iterative process](#) have [the best chance at successfully scoring](#) a better cabin, better seats, a better schedule, a better airline, or a better price.

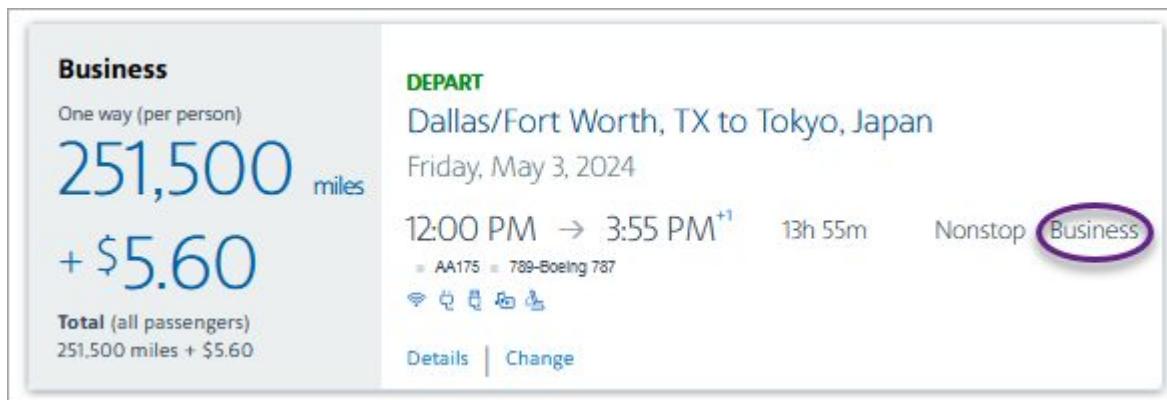
This is especially true when looking for award seats to Asia, which has proven harder than finding a golden grain of rice in a padi field. When it comes to AA, award seat opportunities tend to arrive close to departure time, so you need a healthy appetite for brinkmanship. Even then, you have to know where to look. So this is

for those who are [upgrade open-minded](#) or for those who have their [bags packed](#) at the front door, ready to say, “taxi!”

## What We Found

Our team found Business Class awards on American Airlines’ nonstop flight from Dallas to Tokyo on May 3 for 251,500 miles one-way (screenshot below). So far, so bad. So, they looked further to see if they could get it cheaper by *adding* a connecting flight which we told you about in that same [March](#) issue and also in [April](#).

### AA BIZ CLASS FROM DALLAS TO TOKYO FOR 251,500 MILES ONE-WAY



The screenshot shows a flight search result for a Business Class award. The flight is from Dallas/Fort Worth, TX to Tokyo, Japan, departing on Friday, May 3, 2024, at 12:00 PM and arriving at 3:55 PM. The flight is nonstop and is labeled as Business. The total cost is 251,500 miles plus \$5.60. The flight is operated by AA175, a Boeing 787. The total distance is 251,500 miles. There are icons for Wi-Fi, power outlets, and a meal. There are also 'Details' and 'Change' buttons.

For those catching up, it's worth the read. Fancy adding a flight and paying less? It goes against mainstream thinking, right? More on that in a moment, but back to our due diligence. We surveyed 44 American Airlines' U.S. departure cities to Tokyo for Business Class award seats, with one-stop connecting through Dallas.

Ten of them are American Airlines' U.S. hub cities — Charlotte, Chicago, Los Angeles, New York, Miami, Raleigh, Pensacola, Philadelphia, Phoenix, and St. Louis.

- **Three of those hubs** — Los Angeles, Pensacola, and St. Louis — offered awards for 60,000 miles connecting with flight AA175 through Dallas.
- **Seven of the hubs** had awards ranging from 103,000 to 245,500 miles with the same connecting flight AA175 through Dallas.
- **25 non-hub U.S. departure cities** had awards for 60,000 miles connecting with the same AA175 flight through Dallas.
- **Nine of the non-hub** AA routes had awards ranging from 72,500 to 394,000 miles.

For these flights connecting in Dallas, some are from West Coast departure cities. If these were paid tickets, it would be considered backtracking. But flying from the West Coast *on an award ticket* through the Midwest on the way to Asia costs you way less, only 60,000 miles.

The chart below highlights where we found American Business Class connecting flights to Tokyo, many for **fewer** miles.

## AA BIZ CLASS CONNECTING FLIGHT MILEAGE, ONE-WAY

Departure City	Miles Required
Albuquerque, NM	60,000
Austin, TX	60,000
Birmingham, AL	60,000
Boise, ID	60,000
Buffalo, NY	60,000
Columbus, OH	60,000
Fargo, ND	60,000
Fayetteville, AR	60,000
Ft. Lauderdale, FL	60,000
Jacksonville, FL	60,000
Kansas City, MO	60,000
Las Vegas, NV	60,000
Lawton, OK	60,000
Los Angeles, CA	60,000
Louisville, KY	60,000
Memphis, TN	60,000
Milwaukee, WI	60,000
Nashville, TN	60,000
Pensacola, FL	60,000
Pittsburgh, VA	60,000
Rapid City, SD	60,000
Richmond, VA	60,000
Salt Lake City, UT	60,000
San Antonio, TX	60,000

Departure City	Miles Required
Seattle, WA	60,000
Spokane, WA	60,000
Springfield, MO	60,000
St. Louis, MO	60,000
New York, NY	103,000
Newark, NJ	106,000
Tampa, FL	132,500
Phoenix, AZ	134,500
Orlando, FL	136,000
Philadelphia, PA	138,000
Boston, MA	143,500
Miami, FL	144,000
West Palm Beach, FL	148,000
Chicago, IL	149,000
Houston, TX	200,500
San Francisco, CA	201,500
Raleigh, NC	212,000
Dallas, TX	236,000
Charlotte, NC	245,500
San Diego, CA	382,500
Bozeman, MT	394,000

## BUFFALO, NEW YORK TO TOKYO VIA DALLAS IN BIZ CLASS FOR 60,000 AA MILES

<b>Business</b> One way (per person) <b>60,000</b> miles + \$5.60  <b>Total (all passengers)</b> 60,000 miles + \$5.60	<b>DEPART</b> Buffalo, NY to Tokyo, Japan Friday, May 3, 2024 6:35 AM → 3:55 PM <sup>+1</sup> 20h 20m 1 stop <b>Business</b> BUF - DFW = AA576 = 320-Airbus A320 DFW - HND = AA175 = 789-Boeing 787
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## SALT LAKE CITY TO TOKYO VIA DALLAS IN BIZ CLASS FOR 60,000 AA MILES

<b>Business</b> One way (per person) <b>60,000</b> miles + \$5.60  <b>Total (all passengers)</b> 60,000 miles + \$5.60	<b>DEPART</b> Salt Lake City, UT to Tokyo, Japan Friday, May 3, 2024 5:19 AM → 3:55 PM <sup>+1</sup> 19h 36m 1 stop <b>Business</b> SLC - DFW = AA2195 = 321-Airbus A321 DFW - HND = AA175 = 789-Boeing 787
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## ST. LOUIS TO TOKYO VIA DALLAS IN BIZ CLASS FOR 60,000 AA MILES

<b>Business</b> One way (per person) <b>60,000</b> miles + \$5.60  <b>Total (all passengers)</b> 60,000 miles + \$5.60	<b>DEPART</b> St Louis, MO to Tokyo, Japan Friday, May 3, 2024 5:00 AM → 3:55 PM <sup>+1</sup> 20h 55m 1 stop <b>Business</b> STL - DFW = AA2261 = 738-Boeing 737 DFW - HND = AA175 = 789-Boeing 787
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Make a connection on your way to Tokyo and pay *less*

## CONNECT WITH A PARTNER TO SAVE MILES

Let's look at a specific example for you Los Angelenos ready for sushi.

### JAPAN AIRLINES BUSINESS CLASS FROM LOS ANGELES TO TOKYO VIA SAN FRANCISCO FOR 60,000 MILES ONE WAY

If you were to fly from LAX to Tokyo nonstop on the red-eye arriving at the ungodly hour of 4:45 AM it would cost you 103,500 one way, and if you were to take a better flight with a reasonable departure time, it would cost you 434,000 miles. But if you fly from LAX to Tokyo connecting with Japan Airlines via San Francisco, it'll cost you only 60,000 miles.

It's a real stunner. LAX-SFO-Tokyo is 43,500-374,000 miles LESS than the nonstop LAX-Tokyo? You'd say, "Bring on the Tokyo-sized savings." Screenshot follows.

### LOS ANGELES TO TOKYO VIA SAN FRANCISCO IN BIZ CLASS FOR 60,000 AA MILES

<b>Business</b> One way (per person) <b>60,000 miles</b> + \$5.60  Total (all passengers) 60,000 miles + \$5.60  Includes taxes and carrier-imposed fees Price and tax information	<b>DEPART</b> Los Angeles, CA to Tokyo, Japan Wednesday, May 1, 2024  8:21 AM → 3:10 PM <sup>+1</sup> LAX - SFO = AA147 = 319-Airbus A319  SFO - HND = JL1 = 789-Boeing 787  Operated by Japan Airlines
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## FIND MORE SEATS WHEN MAKING CONNECTIONS

Here's a First Class example, flying to Tokyo on American from Nashville connecting to Japan Airlines First Class via Chicago using American miles has three times the number of award seats when compared to the Chicago-Tokyo nonstop.

### FIRST CLASS CHICAGO TO TOKYO NON-STOP FOR 80,000 AA MILES

Calendar

Mon, Feb 24  
ORD to TYO  
35K

One way (per person) from  
35K miles  
+ \$5.60

Nonstop only      First      80K Lowest price this month

February 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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23	24	25	26	27	28	
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# FIRST CLASS NASHVILLE TO TOKYO WITH A CONNECTION FOR 80,000 AA MILES

Calendar

Mon, Feb 24  
BNA to TYO  
80K

One way (per person) from  
80K miles  
+ \$5.60

1 stop or fewer      First      80K Lowest price this month

February 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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23	24 80K	25	26	27	28	
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## FINALLY, GET FIRST CLASS FOR LESS THAN BUSINESS CLASS

Business Class from Nashville to Tokyo on American Airlines connecting through Los Angeles is 95,500 miles one way...

**Business**

One way (per person)  
**95,500 miles**  
+ \$11.20

**Total (all passengers)**  
95,500 miles + \$11.20

**DEPART**  
Nashville, TN to Tokyo, Japan  
Monday, February 24, 2025  
7:30 AM → 5:05 AM<sup>2</sup>  
BNA - LAX = AA1393 = 738-Boeing 737  
LAX - HND = AA169 = 789-Boeing 787

30h 35m      1 stop      **Business**

...whereas *First Class* from Nashville to Tokyo on American connecting through Chicago on Japan Airlines is 80,000 miles one way. Wait, *what?* Yes, I can feel the stamp magically appearing like the rising sun and slamming down to proclaim:



*That's not the flag of Japan, that's an upgrade*

## FIRST CLASS NASHVILLE TO TOKYO VIA CHICAGO FOR 80,000 AA MILES

<b>First</b> One way (per person) <b>80,000</b> miles + \$5.60  Total (all passengers) 80,000 miles + \$5.60	<b>DEPART</b> Nashville, TN to Tokyo, Japan Monday, February 24, 2025 5:56 AM → 2:55 PM <sup>+1</sup> 17h 59m BNA - ORD = AA6263 = CR7-Canadian RJ 700 Operated by SkyWest Airlines as American Eagle ORD - HND = JL9 = 773-Boeing 777	1 stop <b>First</b>
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### LAST WORD FOR THE LOYALISTS

Now you might say, "Wait a second, Bennett, I'm a loyal American Airlines flyer who lives in the great AA hub city of Chicago, darn it, and you're telling me that Jerry Lundgaard from Fargo, North Dakota, can get to Tokyo in Business Class for 89,000 miles than me?!"

And I would say with a sad shrug, "Loyalty sure ain't what it used to be. Your best bet is to be loyalty-free and fancy-free. Stay open to opportunities and we'll keep providing them for you here at FCF." Who would have thought a flight connection could be your new best friend?



# Business Class: After a Cold-Fare 2023 European Summer, Things Are Getting Hot Hot Hot

May 2024

## **Fruitful findings that can net you savings of up to 45% on Business Class to the Continent**

This time last year we were fruitlessly searching for low fares to Europe. That's right: no bananas. Actually, they were watermelon-sized at \$3,100-\$4,200 from the East Coast, and \$3,500-\$5,500 from the West. The New York-Venice round-trip on Delta was, and still is, a seed-spitting \$6,300+. The pits, right?

Happily, things are heating up in 2024 with summer fares from the East Coast 15%-45% lower than regular published fares and 23%-37% lower from the West Coast.

Oneworld is the clear frontrunner with juicy offerings of up to 45% off on flights from Washington, DC to Denmark and with savings of up to 40% on flights from Miami to Berlin, Dublin, and Prague and on flights from Phoenix to Dublin and Madrid.

When booking through British Airways, you can typically save an additional \$140 to \$430 on BA flights with the [AARP Member Discount](#) (anyone of any age can join for \$12) and [British Airways Visa Card discount](#) (current promo code is CHASEBA10).

Star Alliance can net you savings of up to 40% off on routes like Boston to Budapest and Glasgow; New York to Genoa and Barcelona; and Orlando-Valencia (that's the city, not the orange).

And then there are SkyTeam savings of up to 40% off on flights from Boston to Amsterdam, Dublin, and Copenhagen; Dallas-Prague; Phoenix-Dublin; and Washington, DC to Belfast and Glasgow.



Savor the sweet savings to Europe this summer

## FARE FRUIT ON THE VINE TO EUROPE UNDER \$3,000 ON MAJOR AIRLINES

Below are the best Business Class round-trip fares (under \$3,000) we found **on major airlines** from the West Coast, Midwest, and East Coast to Europe.

From	To	Airline	Special Fare	Normal Published Fare
Boston	Dublin	Delta	\$2,496	\$3,136

From	To	Airline	Special Fare	Normal Published Fare
Dallas	Copenhagen		\$2,571	\$3,496
	Budapest	Delta, SWISS	\$2,848	\$4,503
	Paris	Air Canada, Delta	\$2,914	\$3,525
	Amsterdam	Delta	\$2,938	\$3,440
	Glasgow	Lufthansa	\$2,968	\$3,724
	Brussels	Delta	\$2,985	\$3,588
	Prague		\$2,907	\$4,466
	Vienna	Finnair	\$2,985	\$4,344
Los Angeles	Milan	American	\$2,689	\$3,481
Prague	American, British Airways, Delta	\$2,652	\$4,057	
Miami	Dublin	American	\$2,704	\$4,262
	Berlin	American, British Airways	\$2,780	\$4,485
	Paris	Air France	\$2,899	\$3,643
	Madrid	American, British Airways, United	\$2,464	\$3,489
New York	Barcelona	American, United	\$2,475	\$3,485
	Rome		\$2,479	\$3,504
	Milan	American, British Airways, United	\$2,480	\$3,362
	Valencia		\$2,650	\$3,505
	Genoa	Lufthansa, United	\$2,663	\$3,988
	Bilbao	American, Air France, United	\$2,710	\$4,019
	Alicante	British Airways, Lufthansa, United	\$2,718	\$4,040
	Minorca	American, British Airways	\$2,747	\$3,378
	Ibiza	Air France, British Airways, Iberia	\$2,747	\$3,356
	Venice	American, British Airways, Iberia	\$2,786	\$3,506
	Warsaw	British Airways, Finnair, SWISS	\$2,813	\$3,498
	Kraków	Air France, Lufthansa, SWISS	\$2,816	\$3,490
	Budapest	British Airways, SWISS	\$2,837	\$3,512
	Florence	American, Lufthansa, SWISS	\$2,863	\$3,515

From	To	Airline	Special Fare	Normal Published Fare
Orlando	Madrid	American	\$2,859	\$3,575
	Paris		\$2,898	\$3,413
	Valencia	Lufthansa	\$2,937	\$3,565
Philadelphia	Prague	American, British Airways	\$2,687	\$3,897
Phoenix	Dublin	American, British Airways, Delta, United	\$2,644	\$4,412
	Madrid	American, Delta	\$2,791	\$4,376
	Amsterdam	Delta, United	\$2,843	\$4,163
	Palma	Air France	\$2,933	\$4,329
	Valencia	Air France, British Airways	\$2,818	\$4,478
Washington, DC	Billund	British Airways	\$2,644	\$4,779
	Copenhagen		\$2,659	\$4,789
	London	British Airways, Delta	\$2,866	\$3,569
	Glasgow	KLM	\$2,917	\$4,124
	Belfast		\$2,939	\$3,879

***T-shirts, cut-offs, and a pair of thongs***

***We've been having fun all summer long***

*All Summer Long - The Beach Boys*

## ROUTES WITH LOW FARES TO DESTINATIONS OTHER THAN EUROPE

Nobody can hold back our fare-hunting P.I.s who've gone intercontinental in their search for full-flavored fare fruit. See below.

### AFRICA

Nairobi from Calgary, Montreal, Toronto, and Vancouver *freshly picked* for \$3,165 to \$3,491.

Johannesburg from Calgary, Montreal, Toronto, and Vancouver *harvested* for \$3,341 to \$3,492.

Cape Town from Montreal and Toronto *picked* for \$3,504 to \$3,601.

## INDIA

New Delhi from Atlanta, New York, Washington, DC, and more, for \$3,224 to \$3,902.

## MIDDLE EAST

Dubai from Boston, Houston, New York and Washington, DC for \$2,916 to \$3,297

Istanbul from Atlanta, Boston, Los Angeles, New York, and Seattle *squeezed* for between \$2,896 and \$3,257.

Keep your eyes on the orchard, as green shoots are appearing everywhere right now.



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## SAVE EVEN MORE

Amex cardholders can sometimes [knock off hundreds of dollars \(and sometimes even thousands\)](#) on premium fares on 26 airlines, thanks to Amex's International Airline Program (IAP).

## PRO TIPS

Consider [positioning flights](#) when special fares [are not offered on your route](#), and of course, don't [book backwards](#).

Is [travel perfectionism holding you back](#)? Want to trade up [after you've bought your ticket](#)? FCF always recommends grabbing your ticket when you come across a good deal or [something you can live with](#) — and if it's not perfect, [upgrade later](#). There's plenty of upside.



# May's Top 100 Mileage Awards & Special Fares Greatest Hits (Still Available)

May 2024

## **With These Spring Bargains, You May as Well Go**

The merry month of May has delivered in bird and bee quantities for honey-like fare and mile delicacies. We have over 100 of them to locales around the world. Don't let the coming summer pass you by without a ticket in your hot hand for travel.

## **Published Fares**

### **AFRICA**

[Money > Johannesburg and Cape Town > Summer/Spring > Biz Class > \\$3,484 to \\$4,025 R/T](#)

[Money > Morocco > All Year > Biz Class > from Montreal and Toronto from \\$2,223 to \\$2,514 USD R/T](#)

[Money > Nairobi > All Year > Biz Class > from Canada from \\$3,163 to \\$3,491 USD R/T](#)

## ASIA

[Money > Maldives > Winter > Biz Class > \\$3,401 to \\$4,209 R/T](#)

[Money > Singapore > Winter/Spring > Biz Class > from Vancouver, Toronto, and Montreal from \\$3,327 to \\$3,740 USD R/T](#)

[Money > Hong Kong > All Year > Biz Class > from Vancouver, Montreal, and Toronto from \\$3,233 to \\$4,096 USD R/T](#)

[Money > Bangkok > All Year > Biz Class > from Los Angeles, Seattle, and New York from \\$3,564 to \\$4,180 R/T](#)

[Money > Bangkok > All Year > Biz Class > from Canada from \\$3,224 to \\$3,981 USD R/T](#)

[Money > Asia > All Year > Biz Class > \\$3,232 to \\$4,181 R/T](#)



## CARIBBEAN

[Money > Puerto Rico > All Year > Biz Class > \\$674 to \\$791 R/T](#)

[Money > Antigua > All Year > Biz Class > \\$898 to \\$1,176 R/T](#)

[Money > St. Maarten > All Year > Biz Class > \\$819 to \\$1,047 R/T](#)

[Money > Cancun > All Year > Biz Class > \\$664 to \\$910 R/T](#)

[Money > Tortola > All Year > Biz Class > \\$913 to \\$1,188 R/T](#)

[Money > Anguilla > Winter/Spring > Biz Class > \\$866 to \\$1,165 R/T](#)

[Money > Barbados > All Year > Biz Class > \\$954 to \\$1,178 R/T](#)

[Money > Saint Kitts > All Year > Biz Class > \\$859 to \\$1,162 R/T](#)

[Money > St. Thomas > All Year > Biz Class > \\$670 to \\$1,131 R/T](#)

[Money > St. Lucia > All Year > Biz Class > \\$943 to \\$1,164 R/T](#)

[Money > Aruba > All Year > Biz Class > \\$755 to \\$1,120 R/T](#)

[Money > Bonaire > Winter/Spring > Biz Class > \\$1,005 to \\$1,188 R/T](#)

## EUROPE

[Money > Lisbon > All Year > Biz Class > \\$2,559 to \\$3,142 R/T](#)

[Money > Barcelona > All Year > Premium Economy > from New York, Miami, and San Francisco from \\$653 to \\$869 R/T](#)

[Money > Paris > All Year > First Class > \\$3,033 to \\$5,634 R/T](#)

[Money > Milan > All Year > First Class > \\$3,056 to \\$5,537 R/T](#)

[Money > London > Fall > Biz Class > \\$2,265 to \\$3,136 R/T](#)

[Money > Frankfurt > All Year > Biz Class > from New York and Miami from \\$2,496 to \\$2,988 R/T](#)

[Money > Madrid > All Year > First Class > \\$3,772 to \\$5,448 R/T](#)

[Money > Malaga > Summer > Biz Class > from New York, Orlando, and Chicago from \\$2,710 to \\$3,079 R/T](#)

[Money > Rome > All Year > First Class > \\$2,639 to \\$5,658 R/T](#)

[Money > Rome > Summer > Biz Class > from New York and Orlando from \\$2,539 to \\$3,091 R/T](#)

[Money > Barcelona > All Year > Biz Class > \\$2,519 to \\$3,167 R/T](#)

[Money > Madrid > Summer > Biz Class > from New York, Phoenix, and Orlando from \\$2,523 to \\$2,931 R/T](#)

[Money > Milan > All Year > Biz Class > \\$2,526 to \\$3,088 R/T](#)

[Money > Venice > Fall/Winter > Biz Class > from New York, Orlando, and Chicago from \\$2,797 to \\$3,141 R/T](#)

[Money > Stockholm > Summer/Fall > Biz Class > \\$2,428 to \\$3,148 R/T](#)

[Money > Barcelona > All Year > First Class > \\$3,771 to \\$5,386 R/T](#)

[Money > London > Summer > First Class > \\$2,703 to \\$5,533 R/T](#)

[Money > Budapest > All Year > Biz Class > from New York, Dallas, and Chicago from \\$2,623 to \\$3,082 R/T](#)

[Money > Berlin > Summer > Biz Class > from Miami, New York, and Orlando from \\$2,779 to \\$3,156 R/T](#)

[Money > Valencia > All Year > Biz Class > \\$2,709 to \\$3,163 R/T](#)

[Money > Greece > Summer > Biz Class > from New York from \\$2,620 to \\$3,160 R/T](#)

[Money > Dublin > All Year > Biz Class > \\$2,618 to \\$3,173 R/T](#)

[Money > Zurich > Fall/Winter > Biz Class > from Phoenix, New York, and Orlando from \\$2,757 to \\$3,082 R/T](#)

[Money > Florence > Summer > First Class > \\$4,451 to \\$5,692 R/T](#)

[Money > Geneva > Fall > Biz Class > from Phoenix, New York, and Orlando from \\$2,741 to \\$3,078 R/T](#)

[Money > Malaga > Summer > First Class > \\$4,023 to \\$5,729 R/T](#)

[Money > Glasgow > Summer/Fall > First Class > \\$3,383 to \\$4,784 R/T](#)

[Money > Europe > All Year > Biz Class with TAP > \\$1,892 to \\$2,887 R/T](#)

[Money > Lisbon > All Year > First Class > \\$3,867 to \\$5,506 R/T](#)

[Money > Copenhagen > Summer/Fall > Biz Class > \\$2,604 to \\$2,995 R/T](#)

[Money > Prague > Summer > Biz Class > \\$2,711 to \\$3,123 R/T](#)

[Money > London > All Year > Biz Class > from Canada from \\$2,430 to \\$2,766 USD R/T](#)

[Money > Amsterdam > All Year > Biz Class > \\$2,503 to \\$3,116 R/T](#)

[Money > Stockholm > All Year > First Class > \\$4,271 to \\$5,714 R/T](#)

[Money > Paris > All Year > Biz Class > \\$2,551 to \\$3,172 R/T](#)

[Money > Amsterdam > All Year > First Class > \\$4,252 to \\$5,594 R/T](#)

[Money > Nice > All Year > First Class > \\$4,725 to \\$5,717 R/T](#)

## **HAWAII**

[Money > Maui > Spring > Biz Class > \\$910 to \\$1,471 R/T](#)

[Money > Honolulu > Summer/Spring > Biz > \\$1,006 to \\$1,472 R/T](#)

[Money > Kona > Summer > Biz Class > \\$1,015 to \\$1,508 R/T](#)

## **INDIA**

[Money > New Delhi > All Year > Biz Class > \\$3,224 to \\$3,902 R/T](#)

[Money > Bengaluru > All Year > Biz Class > \\$3,342 to \\$3,831 R/T](#)

[Money > India > Winter/Spring > Biz Class > from Toronto and Montreal from \\$3,000 to \\$3,635 USD R/T](#)



## **MEXICO**

[Money > Acapulco > All Year > Biz Class > \\$785 to \\$906 R/T](#)

[Money > Puerto Vallarta > All Year > Biz Class > \\$681 to \\$915 R/T](#)

## **MIDDLE EAST**

[Money > Istanbul > Fall/Winter > Biz Class > \\$2,895 to \\$3,311 R/T](#)

## **NORTH AMERICA**

[Money > Domestic Transcon > All Year > Biz Class > from \\$728 to \\$1,227 R/T](#)

## **SOUTH AMERICAN**

[Money > Buenos Aires > All Year > Biz Class > from Miami and New York from \\$2,718 to \\$2,849 R/T](#)

[Money > Sao Paulo and Rio De Janeiro > Spring > Biz Class > \\$2,082 to \\$2,955 R/T](#)

[Money > Sao Paulo > All Year > Biz Class > from Canada from \\$2,632 to \\$2,925 USD R/T](#)

[Money > Santiago > All Year > Biz Class > \\$2,011 to \\$3,112 R/T](#)

## SOUTH PACIFIC

[Money > Tahiti > All Year > Biz Class > from Los Angeles, Seattle, and Las Vegas from \\$3,126 to \\$4,262 R/T](#)

[Money > New Zealand > Summer > Premium Economy > from Los Angeles and San Francisco from \\$1,339 to \\$1,604 R/T](#)

[Delta and United Business Class fares to New Zealand: 20% to 50%+ Off](#)

[Money > Australia > All Year > Biz Class with Cathay Pacific and Singapore Airlines > 25%+ OFF](#)

[Money > Tahiti > All Year > Biz Class > from Los Angeles and Las Vegas from \\$3,126 to \\$4,262 R/T](#)



# **Sweet Redemptions**

## **ASIA**

[First Class > Cash OR Miles > Cathay Pacific > Los Angeles and Many Other Cities to Hong Kong & Beyond > 2+ Travelers](#)

[All Nippon Airways > Business Class > Close In > Handful > From San Francisco to Tokyo > 4+ Seats](#)

[Cash OR Miles > \\*First Class\\* > Cathay Pacific > New York and Many Other Cities to Hong Kong & Beyond > 2+ Travelers](#)

[Miles / Points > Singapore > Business Class > Handful > 2+ Travelers > Singapore Airlines from San Francisco](#)

## **DOMESTIC**

[Miles > Domestic > New American Airlines Business Class New York to/from San Francisco Options / 4+ Seats](#)

## **EUROPE**

[115K AA Miles R/T & Low-taxes > 4+ Seats > Biz Class from Chicago \(and Many Other Cities\) to Germany](#)

[115K AA Miles R/T & Low-taxes > 4+ Seats > Biz Class from Chicago \(and Many Other Cities\) to Switzerland](#)

[115K AA Miles R/T & Low-taxes > 4+ Seats > Biz Class from the East Coast to Venice, Bologna & Rome](#)

[Cash OR Miles > First Class > Lufthansa > Boston and Many Other Cities to Frankfurt & Beyond > 2+ Travelers](#)

[115K AA Miles R/T & Low-taxes > 4+ Seats > American Airlines Business Class from the East Coast to Bologna & Zagreb](#)

[Cash OR Miles > Business Class > American > East Coast and Many Other Cities to Frankfurt, Lisbon, Milan & Beyond > 4+ Travelers](#)

[Miles / Points > Rome > First Class > 4+ Travelers > American from New York and Many Other Cities](#)

[Cheap Business Class Seats from Boston to Madrid for 68,000 Amex Points R/T](#)

[115K AA Miles R/T & Low-taxes > 4+ Seats > Biz Class from New York to Italy via London](#)

[Lufthansa \\*First Class\\* from San Francisco and Many Other Cities to Frankfurt and Beyond with Miles or \\$](#)

[\\*First Class\\* With Cash OR Miles > Lufthansa > New York and Many Other Cities to Munich & Beyond > Two Travelers](#)

[Miles > Europe > All Year > Scads of Singapore Business Class Opportunities from Houston to Manchester, UK / 4+ Seats](#)

[Miles / Points > First Class > Single Seat > Emirates > East Coast to Athens](#)



## **MIDDLE EAST**

[Turkish Airlines > Discount Business Class > from the East Coast to Istanbul and Beyond > With Miles & Points > 2 seats](#)

[Scads of Emirates Single Seat First Class Availability from Chicago, Dallas, or Washington, DC to Dubai with Miles / Points](#)

[Single Seat Emirates First Class Opportunities from Los Angeles to Dubai with Miles / Points](#)

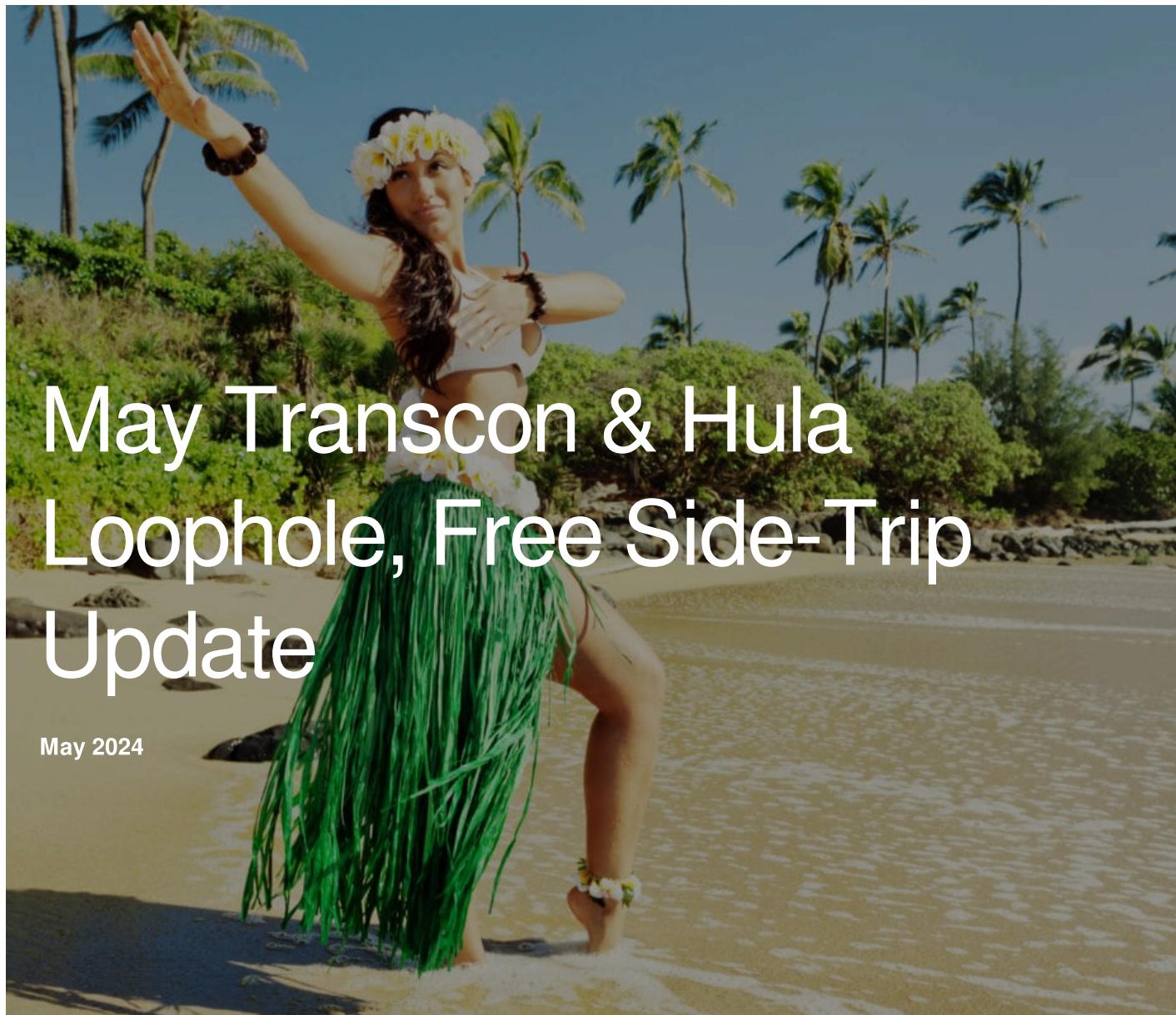
## **SOUTH PACIFIC**

[Miles / Points > Sydney > First Class > 1+ Travelers > Handful > American from Los Angeles and Many Other Cities](#)

## **Upgrades**

### **EUROPE**

[Miles & Cash > United Upgrade Opportunities from the East Coast to London > 4+ Seats](#)



# May Transcon & Hula Loophole, Free Side-Trip Update

May 2024

**You can still get to Hawaii and the Caribbean for free with a smart strategy**

Transcon fares are down for American, up for Delta and JetBlue, and holding steady for United for non-red-eye and 6 a.m. flights. Here's the latest.

## BUSINESS CLASS FARE UPDATE BETWEEN NEW YORK & LOS ANGELES NONSTOP

fares for travel within 55 days range from \$1,999 to \$3,375, for travel 55 to 230 days out, fares range from \$1,599 to \$2,459, and from 231+ days out, fares range from \$1,449 to \$2,039 (down from \$1,849).

**Delta — lowest fares up 18%:** fares for travel within 45 days range from \$2,648 to \$3,297, for travel 46 to 112 days out, fares range from \$2,199 to \$2,888 (up from \$1,798), and from 113+ days out, fares range from \$3,097 to \$3,397.

**United — lowest fares unchanged:** fares for travel within 45 days range from \$2,018 to \$3,045, for travel 46 to 110 days out, fares range from \$1,889 to \$2,469, from 111 to 240 days out, fares run from \$1,889 to \$3,777, and from 241+ days out, fares range from \$1,359 to \$2,039.

**JetBlue — lowest fares up 7%:** fares for travel within 120 days range from \$1,547 to \$2,747 (up from \$1,348), and for travel 121+ days out, fares range from \$2,947 to \$3,797.

### THE TRANSCON IS MORE THAN JUST BETWEEN NY & LA

There are some low-fare *non*-New York-Los Angeles nonstop transcon routes like Washington, DC-Los Angeles for \$997 round-trip, and others for \$1,157 and less. This chart is good reading.

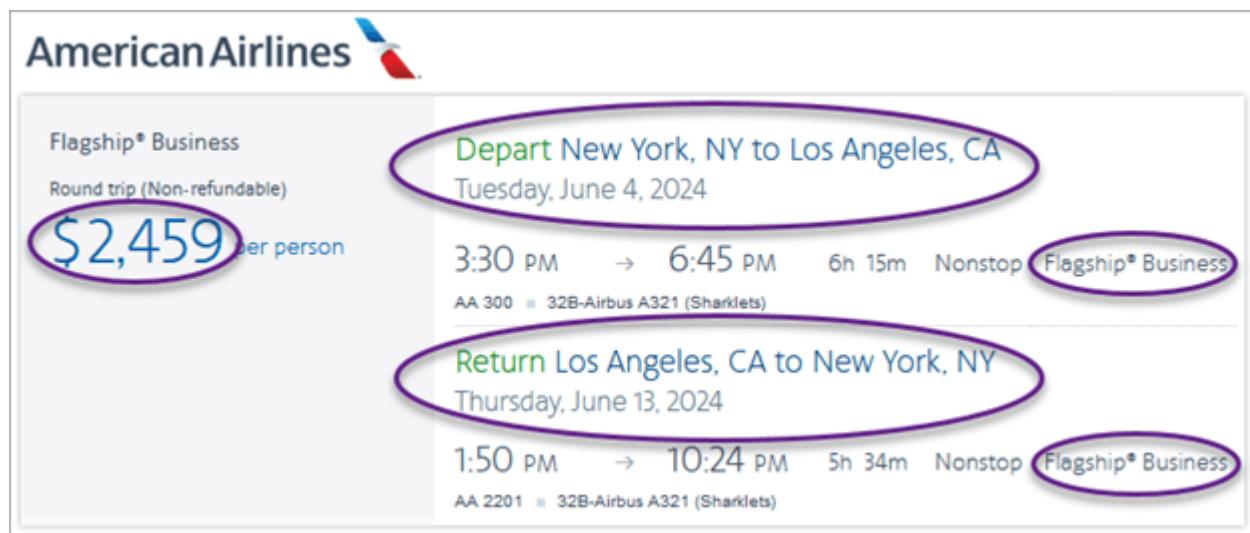
Airline	Between		R/T Fare
Delta	Washington, DC	Seattle	\$719
American, JetBlue	Boston		\$780
Delta	Atlanta	San Diego	\$947
United	Washington, DC	Los Angeles	\$997
Delta, United	Boston	San Diego	\$999
United	Philadelphia	San Francisco	\$1,020
	Raleigh		\$1,029
		San Diego	\$1,039
	New York	Seattle	\$1,039
Delta, United		Portland, OR	\$1,067
Delta	Orlando	Seattle	\$1,117
United	Ft. Lauderdale	San Francisco	\$1,119

Airline	Between	R/T Fare
JetBlue, United	Boston	Los Angeles \$1,127
United		San Francisco \$1,157

## HAWAII FOR FREE. WHAT'S NOT TO LAVA?

The transcon – Hula Loophole update is still going strong with a *cheaper than free* trip to [Hawaii](#). The key is to find **a low-fare route to Hawaii that gives you a free stopover in a West Coast city** that you're already planning to visit. For example, when fares are high on the New York-Los Angeles transcon route, think about adding a stop in Honolulu, Kona, Lihue, or Maui to enjoy a bonus destination — **for free or sometimes just a little more**. Screenshots below.

**NEW YORK > LOS ANGELES > NEW YORK > \$2,459**



American Airlines flight search results for a round trip from New York to Los Angeles via Honolulu. The search shows a total fare of \$2,459 per person for a Flagship® Business round trip (Non-refundable). The trip includes a stopover in Honolulu, Hawaii. The departure leg is from New York (NY) to Los Angeles (CA) on Tuesday, June 4, 2024, with a flight at 3:30 PM arriving at 6:45 PM, a 6h 15m nonstop flight on AA 300 (32B-Airbus A321 (Sharklets)). The return leg is from Los Angeles (CA) to New York (NY) on Thursday, June 13, 2024, with a flight at 1:50 PM arriving at 10:24 PM, a 5h 34m nonstop flight on AA 2201 (32B-Airbus A321 (Sharklets)). Both legs are in Flagship® Business class.

Flight	Departure	Arrival	Duration	Class
AA 300	3:30 PM	6:45 PM	6h 15m	Nonstop, Flagship® Business
AA 2201	1:50 PM	10:24 PM	5h 34m	Nonstop, Flagship® Business

## EXAMPLE OF HAWAII FOR FREE:

NEW YORK > LOS ANGELES > KONA > NEW YORK > \$2,086

**American Airlines**

**DEPART**  
New York, NY to Los Angeles, CA  
Tuesday, June 4, 2024

Flight	Depart	Arrive	Travel time	Class	Seats
300 American Airlines	3:30 PM JFK	6:45 PM LAX	6h 15m	Business	<a href="#">6A</a>

**DEPART**  
Los Angeles, CA to Kona, HI  
Tuesday, June 11, 2024

Flight	Depart	Arrive	Travel time	Class	Seats
59 American Airlines	10:01 AM LAX	12:36 PM KOA	5h 35m	First	<a href="#">1F</a>

**DEPART**  
Kona, HI to New York, NY  
Sunday, June 16, 2024 to Monday, June 17, 2024

Flight	Depart	Arrive	Travel time	Class	Seats
58 American Airlines	2:06 PM KOA	10:28 PM LAX	5h 22m	First	<a href="#">1A</a>
28 American Airlines	11:45 PM LAX	8:18 AM JFK	5h 33m	Business	<a href="#">6A</a>

**Your trip total**  
**\$2,086.15**  
Includes taxes, charges and carrier-imposed fees

Passenger	Bag and optional fees
Trip JFK / LAX	<a href="#">\$1,940.68</a>
Taxes	<a href="#">\$145.47</a>
Carrier-imposed fees	<a href="#">\$0.00</a>
<b>Total (all passengers)</b>	<b>\$2,086.15</b>

By adding Kona to your transcon trip you save \$373.



A free trip to Hawaii gets our stamp

## PRE-BAKED TRIPS TO CALI THAT GET YOU TO HAWAII IN FIRST CLASS FOR FREE OR NEARLY FREE FROM NEW YORK

While fares are constantly changing and vary by date, here's what we recently found if you're at all flexible...



Start Your Ticket In	Your Hawaiian Destination	Your Stop	Fare	Compare to Transcon Round-Trip	Cost / Savings
New York	Kona	Los Angeles	\$2,086	\$2,459	-\$373
	Maui		\$2,241		-\$218
	Kauai		\$2,283		-\$176
	Honolulu		\$2,383		\$76

## SAN JUAN FOR FREE...

The key when flying from the West Coast is to find a low-fare route to the Caribbean that offers a free stopover in an East Coast city you're already planning to visit. For example, when fares are high on the Los Angeles/San Francisco-New York transcon route, think about adding a stop in Nassau, San Juan, or St. Thomas to enjoy a bonus destination — for free or sometimes just a little more.

## PRE-BAKED TRIPS TO NEW YORK THAT GET YOU TO THE CARIBBEAN IN FIRST CLASS FOR FREE OR NEARLY FREE

Start Your Ticket In	Your Free Caribbean Destination	Your Stop	Fare	Compare to Transcon Round-Trip	Cost / Savings
Los Angeles	San Juan	New York	\$2,072	\$2,459	-\$387
Los Angeles*	St. Thomas		\$1,854	\$2,459	-\$605
	Nassau		\$1,839	\$2,459	-\$620
San Francisco	San Juan		\$2,287	\$2,459	-\$172

\*The 3 tickets in your itinerary must be booked individually.



# Make It Memorable: Up to 72% Off High-End Hyatt Stays in Europe

May 2024

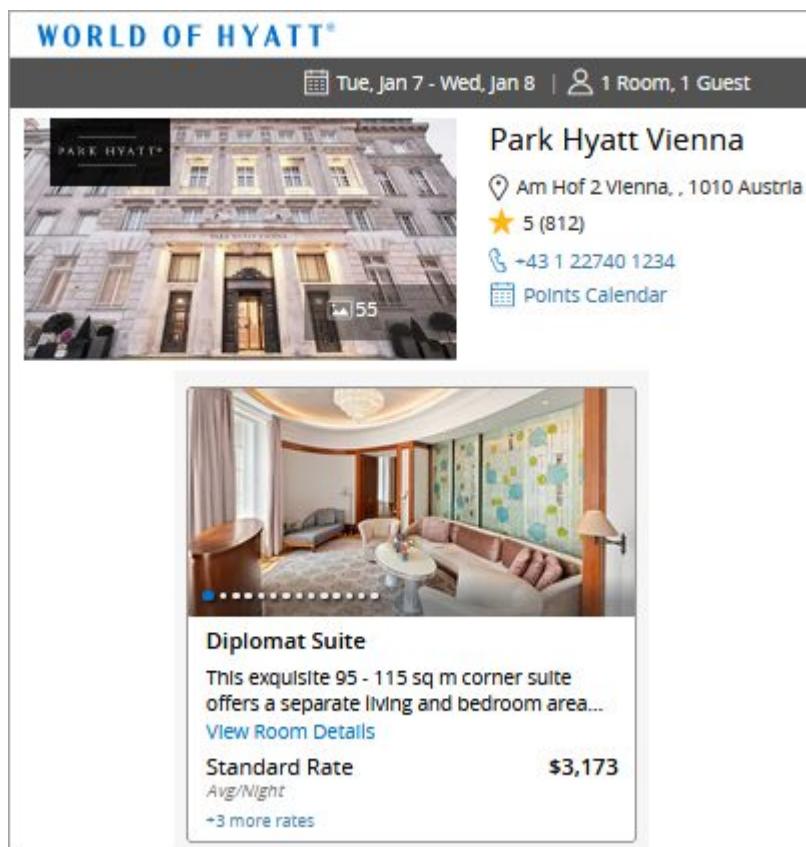
**Fluffy pillow deals save you up to 72% at the Park Hyatt Vienna, up to 51% at the Park Hyatt Paris-Vendôme, and up to 72% at many others**

While we're in the mood for delicious savings to Europe this month ( ), some readers will be looking for high-end accommodation while they're on the Continent. It's worth considering if you want to splurge or if these high-end hotels are on your list.

Hyatt frequently offers buy points bonuses and discounts that allow you to purchase up to 55,000 points annually. The most recent 20% discount lowers the cost to 1.92 cents each when they're on sale. If you don't have enough points you can transfer from Chase, pool your points, or use [FCF's "how to get around buying points maximum limits strategy."](#)

Here we're talking about a special stay – a suite, no less, in Vienna. I mean, when it's called The Diplomat Suite you know where I'm coming from. The screenshot below shows prices for the [Park Hyatt Vienna](#). The Hyatt rate for a Diplomat Suite is \$3,173 for one night for World of Hyatt members. But it comes down faster than a snowball off the top of the Grossglockner to just **\$900** when you **buy 50,000 points** during off-peak dates (standard dates cost 60,000 points, peak dates cost 70,000 points). That's a \$2,273 / 72% savings. Talk about deluxe!

## PARK HYATT VIENNA DIPLOMAT SUITE FOR \$3,173



The screenshot shows the World of Hyatt booking interface for the Park Hyatt Vienna. At the top, it displays the search parameters: "Tue, Jan 7 - Wed, Jan 8 | 1 Room, 1 Guest". Below this, the hotel's exterior is shown with a "55" rating indicator. To the right, the hotel's name, address (Am Hof 2 Vienna, 1010 Austria), and a 5-star rating with 812 reviews are listed. A "Points Calendar" link is also present. A large image of the Diplomat Suite interior is displayed, featuring a spacious living room and bedroom area. Below the image, the suite's name is mentioned, along with a brief description: "This exquisite 95 - 115 sq m corner suite offers a separate living and bedroom area...". A "View Room Details" link is provided. At the bottom, the "Standard Rate" is listed as "\$3,173 Avg/Night" with a link to "+3 more rates".

## PARK HYATT VIENNA DIPLOMAT SUITE FOR 50,000 POINTS

**WORLD OF HYATT®**

Tue, Jan 7 - Wed, Jan 8 | 1 Room, 1 Guest



**Park Hyatt Vienna**  
Am Hof 2 Vienna, 1010 Austria  
5 (812)  
+43 1 22740 1234  
Points Calendar



**Diplomat Suite**  
This exquisite 95 - 115 sq m corner suite offers a separate living and bedroom area...  
[View Room Details](#)

Premium Suite Free Night	From 50,000
+2 more rates	
Points/Night	

### Cable Car Pitch: Vienna

A high-end hotel stay will beautifully complement this city's gorgeous architecture and fascinating history. From the breathtaking Schönbrunn Palace and the Kunsthistorisches Museum featuring the world's largest collection of Bruegel paintings to the famed Hofburg Palace and St. Stephen's Cathedral, hub of the Habsburg Empire, Vienna is an enchanting city, perched on the beautiful Danube River. Cap off your stay with an opera at the renowned Wiener Staatsoper Opera House.



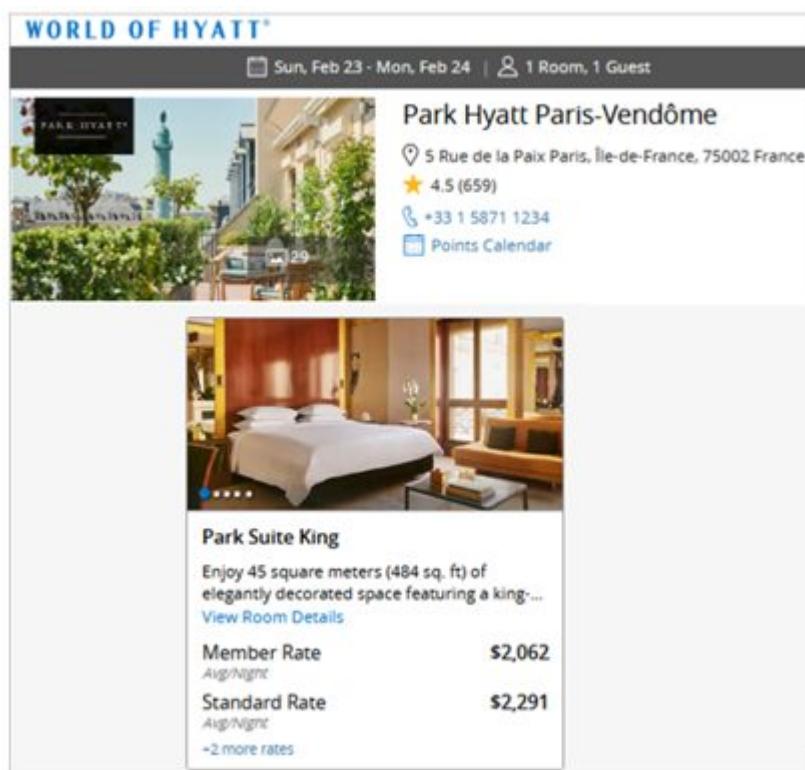
Bustling Vienna Old Town

Is Paris more to your liking, *madame et monsieur*? May we interest you in a luxurious stay that's just a short stroll from the Place de la Concorde, scene of the final, er, *moments* of King Louis XVI and Marie Antoinette? Or perhaps the nearby Jardin des Tuileries better fits your mood. Whatever, eat cake and see the sights to your heart's content in one of the world's great cities before savoring the gastronomic delights at one of the Hyatt's *deux* Michelin-starred restaurants.

## SAVE UP TO 51% AT THE PARK HYATT PARIS-VENDÔME

The screenshot below shows prices for the [Park Hyatt Paris-Vendôme](#). The World of Hyatt member nightly rate for a Park Suite King is \$2,062 for one night or \$1,008 when you buy **just 56,000 points** during off-peak dates (standard dates cost 61,000 points, peak dates cost 66,000 points). That's a \$1,054 / 51% savings.

### PARK HYATT PARIS-VENDOME PARK SUITE KING FOR \$2,062



The screenshot shows a hotel listing for the Park Hyatt Paris-Vendôme. At the top, it displays the search parameters: "Sun, Feb 23 - Mon, Feb 24" and "1 Room, 1 Guest". The hotel's name, "Park Hyatt Paris-Vendôme", is prominently displayed, along with its address, "5 Rue de la Paix Paris, Île-de-France, 75002 France", and a 4.5-star rating from 659 reviews. Below this, a large image of a Park Suite King room is shown, featuring a large bed, a desk, and a window. The room details section includes a "Park Suite King" heading, a description of the room's size and features, a "View Room Details" link, and a table comparing member and standard rates. The member rate for one night is \$2,062, and the standard rate is \$2,291.

Member Rate	\$2,062
Aug/Night	
Standard Rate	\$2,291
Aug/Night	
+2 more rates	

Park Hyatt Paris-Vendôme Park Suite King For 56,000 Points

**WORLD OF HYATT®**

Sun, Feb 23 - Mon, Feb 24 | 1 Room, 1 Guest | Points



**Park Hyatt Paris-Vendôme**

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Points Calendar



**Park Suite King**

Enjoy 45 square meters (484 sq. ft) of elegantly decorated space featuring a king-size bed, a large bathroom, and a separate living area. [View Room Details](#)

Standard Suite Free Night **From 56,000**  
-2 more rates

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For properties that tack on “resort fees,” the good news is there aren’t any resort fees when you use points at Hyatt brand properties.

Country	Hotel	World of Hyatt Award Category	Room Type	Members Save More Rate for One Night	Off-Peak Points Required	Cost to Buy Points When on Sale	Savings	
Vienna, Austria	Park Hyatt Vienna	7	Diplomat Suite	\$3,173	50,000	\$960	\$2,213	70%
Prague, Czech Republic	Andaz Prague - A Concept by Hyatt	6	Premium King	\$635	21,000	\$403	\$232	37%
Nice, France	Hyatt Regency Nice Palais de la Méditerranée	7	Penthouse Suite	\$3,647	50,000	\$960	\$2,687	74%
Paris, France	Park Hyatt Paris-Vendôme	8	Park Executive Suite	\$3,167	70,000	\$1,344	\$1,823	58%
			Park Deluxe Suite	\$2,062	56,000	\$1,075	\$987	48%

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Munich, Germany	Andaz Munich Schwabinger Tor - A Concept by Hyatt	5	Executive Tower Suite	\$2,019	34,000	\$653	\$1,366	68%
Firenze, Italy	IL Tornabuoni Hotel - In the Unbound Collection by Hyatt	7	Deluxe King	\$902	25,000	\$480	\$422	47%
			Beatrice Suite	\$1,601	50,000	\$960	\$641	40%
Milan, Italy	Park Hyatt Milan	8	Park King	\$1,340	35,000	\$672	\$668	50%
			Park Junior Suite	\$1,549	56,000	\$1,075	\$474	31%
	Hyatt Centric Milan Centrale	5	King	\$521	17,000	\$326	\$195	37%
Sardinia, Italy	7Pines Resort Sardinia, part of Destination by Hyatt	8	Rooftop Suite	\$1,997	70,000	\$1,344	\$653	33%
Amsterdam, Netherlands	Andaz Amsterdam Prinsengracht - A Concept by Hyatt	6	Prinsengracht Suite	\$1,674	42,000	\$806	\$868	52%
Ibiza, Spain	7Pines Resort Ibiza	7	Cliff Suite Sea View Duplex	\$1,432	50,000	\$960	\$472	33%
Zurich, Switzerland	Hyatt Regency Zurich Airport The Circle	5	Ambassador Suite	\$1,350	34,000	\$653	\$697	52%
United Kingdom	Great Scotland Yard Hotel	6	King	\$605	21,000	\$403	\$202	33%
			2 Bedroom Suite	\$2,857	42,000	\$806	\$2,051	72%
	Hyatt Regency London Albert Embankment	5	Executive Suite Balcony River View	\$843	29,000	\$557	\$286	34%
	Andaz London Liverpool Street - A Concept by Hyatt	6	King	\$686	21,000	\$403	\$283	41%

Things to know about:

Hyatt frequently offers buy points bonuses or discounts that allow you to [purchase up to 55,000 points annually](#) after 60 days of membership. If you don't have enough, you can transfer from Chase, pool your points, or use [FCF's "how to get around buying points maximum limits strategy."](#)

How to pool your points: two Hyatt members are eligible to combine their points to redeem an award and members may only transfer or receive points once every 30 days, regardless of whether you're sending or receiving. To combine points, complete [Hyatt's point combining request](#) form.