25 cheap destinations from the US

2026 guide · typical round-trip fares · best months to book

Where fares stay low, when to fly, and how to spot a real deal. Prices are illustrative ranges from recent public search data — always verify the final price on the provider's site before booking.

From	Destination	Typical round trip	Best window
New York (JFK/EWR)	Lisbon, Portugal	$350–$480	Mar–May, Oct–Nov
New York	Dublin, Ireland	$380–$520	Apr–Jun
New York	Reykjavík, Iceland	$280–$420	Sep–Oct
New York	Barcelona, Spain	$420–$560	Apr–Jun, Sep
New York	Rome, Italy	$450–$620	Oct–Nov, Mar
Los Angeles (LAX)	Tokyo, Japan	$480–$650	Jan–Feb, Sep
Los Angeles	Seoul, South Korea	$520–$680	Mar–May
Los Angeles	Bangkok, Thailand	$560–$720	May–Sep
Los Angeles	Mexico City	$240–$360	Feb–Apr
San Francisco (SFO)	Paris, France	$480–$640	Nov–Mar
San Francisco	Tokyo, Japan	$520–$720	Jan–Mar
San Francisco	Lisbon, Portugal	$460–$620	Oct–Nov, Feb
Miami (MIA)	Cancún, Mexico	$160–$280	Sep–Nov
Miami	San Juan, Puerto Rico	$140–$260	Apr–Jun
Miami	Bogotá, Colombia	$260–$380	Feb–Apr
Miami	Lima, Peru	$300–$420	May–Oct
Miami	Madrid, Spain	$480–$650	Jan–Mar
Chicago (ORD)	Reykjavík, Iceland	$300–$450	Sep–Oct
Chicago	Mexico City	$260–$380	Feb–Apr
Chicago	London, UK	$480–$640	Jan–Mar
Boston (BOS)	Dublin, Ireland	$330–$480	Mar–May
Boston	Lisbon, Portugal	$360–$520	Apr–Jun
Seattle (SEA)	Tokyo, Japan	$520–$720	Jan–Mar
Dallas (DFW)	Madrid, Spain	$520–$700	Oct–Mar
Atlanta (ATL)	Lisbon, Portugal	$480–$650	Jan–Mar

How to book cheaper

- Shift dates by ±1 day — mid-week departures are often $60–$150 cheaper than Fri/Sun.
- Book the long haul 2–4 months ahead; domestic 4–8 weeks ahead.
- Check secondary airports (Burbank, Newark, Oakland) — same city, lower fees.
- Use a fare calendar to find the cheapest week, then book with a provider.
- Bundle eSIM and transfers — small savings that add up.
- Set price alerts and buy when the fare is below your target.

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