

# PACK YOUR BAGS

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## Springing into summer

It's been a busy start to 2025 at **Global Travel Consulting**. For some, this time of year means packing your bags for Spring Break trips. For others, it's not too early to think about summer family travels or even to consider major trips that could lie ahead late in the year or in 2026.

Whatever you're contemplating, **Global Travel Consulting** is ready to help. To learn more about the services we offer, including our [Luxury Sports Travel division](#) that can get you VIP access to the biggest sporting events in the U.S. and around the world, please visit [www.TimeToPlanATrip.com](http://www.TimeToPlanATrip.com).

### GOOD SPORTS

While we can take you anywhere in the world, what sets **Global Travel Consulting** apart from many agencies is our [Luxury Sports Travel division](#).

Is there a sporting event you just can't miss? Hoping to follow your favorite pro or college team on the road? Looking to cross a historic rivalry or an iconic venue off your bucket list? Traveling abroad to watch a football side you've only seen on TV? Wherever your fandom takes you, count on our Sports Travel specialists to get you there.

And for the world's biggest sporting events--like the upcoming Final Four and The Masters, the 2026 and 2028 Olympics, the 2026 World Cup, the Super Bowl, tennis Grand Slam tournaments, horse racing's Triple Crown and countless others, we

have access to premium packages that include not just the best accommodations but also access to the tickets you want in the locations you desire to ensure you'll be right in the middle of all the action. Where do you want to go? [Contact us today!](#)



There's still time to book your luxury trip to next month's men's Final Four in San Antonio. Packages include first-class accommodations, your choice of tickets to both semi-finals as well as the championship game, admission to the Final Four Fanfest and more.



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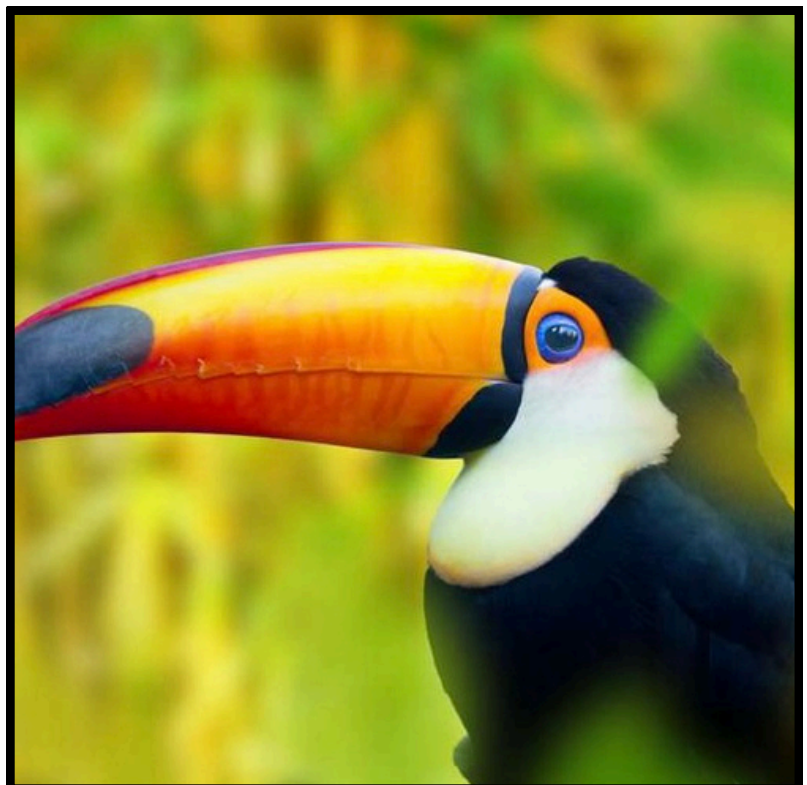


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## MANY WOMEN ARE CHOOSING TO TRAVEL SOLO

A recent study from Skift found that women are choosing solo travel adventures more than ever.

Global Travel Consulting works with a supplier that offers 11 women-only tours across Europe, Africa, India, and the Americas, and--for a limited time--you can save 10 percent on select packages.

Designed *by women, for women*, these journeys provide immersive experiences, meaningful connections and cultural discovery in a supportive group setting.

Among the packages available:



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### Some recent travel headlines and features

#### THE PANDEMIC CHANGED TRAVEL FOREVER

- How air travel and cruises are different 5 years later. ([Read more in USA Today](#)).

#### IN THE FUTURE, YOUR DELTA PLANE COULD LOOK LIKE THIS

- A California company announced a partnership with Delta Air Lines to help develop a quirky nacho-shaped plane that will be up to 50 percent more fuel-efficient than today's commercial aircrafts. Suitable for both domestic and international flight routes, it could be in commercial operation by 2030. ([Read more at CNN.com](#))



#### THE WHITE LOTUS IS COMING TO THAILAND. SO ARE THE TOURISTS

- Crowds of visitors descended on Maui and Sicily after the HBO show's first 2 seasons. Is the tropical resort island of Koh Samui ready for Season 3? ([Read more in The New York Times](#)).

#### ASTRONOMICAL SIGHTS TO WATCH FOR IN 2025

- With interest in visiting dark-sky destinations and witnessing once-in-a-lifetime cosmic events soaring, here's a list of astronomical events occurring in each month for the remainder of 2025. Discover what nighttime phenomena await and where we can help you travel for the best viewing. ([Read more in The Compass](#)).

#### Changes at Southwest

Southwest Airlines has announced a series of changes that will impact many fliers moving forward.

After previously announcing plans to implement assigned seating, to create extra legroom and to launch overnight red-eye flights for the first time, the airline earlier this month announced it will be discontinuing its popular free checked bag policy for most travelers.



While Rapid Rewards A-List Preferred Members and customers traveling on Business Select fares will continue to get 2 free checked bags, and A-List Members and other select customers, will be permitted one free checked bag, other fliers will be charged for their first and 2nd checked bags (weight and size limitations apply). Changes will apply to flights booked on or after May 28, 2025.

Southwest had been the last airline to offer free checked bags to passengers without some kind of status.

On the bright side, Southwest reports it leads the industry in on-time performance thus far in 2025 and has operated 98.3 percent of its published flight schedule without cancellations, a year-over-year improvement.



# COMING UP ON THE SPORTS CALENDAR



**BASEBALL IS BACK!**

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With Spring Training in full swing and Opening Day right around the corner, now's the time to make your plans to see your favorite teams in action in 2025. Maybe you want to see a new ballpark or 2 or attend the All-Star Game in Atlanta.

**Our All-Star Game package can include:**

- 4 days (3 nights) of first-class accommodations (with the option to stay longer).
- Tickets of your choice to the **All-Star Game** (Tuesday, July 15), the **Home Run Derby** (Monday, July 14) and the **All-Star Fanfest** with the option to add tickets to the **Futures Game** and the **Celebrity Softball Game** (both Sunday, July 13).
- Expert pre-travel assistance.
- Guaranteed lowest prices on any other Atlanta-area excursions you'd want to add to your experience.



**For more information about the 2025 MLB season, the All-Star Game, the World Series or any of our luxury Sports Travel packages, contact us today.**

## **IT'S NOT TOO EARLY TO START THINKING ABOUT THE 2026 WORLD CUP**

*The World Cup comes to the U.S., Canada and Mexico between June 11 and July 19, 2026, with a record 48 nations playing 104 matches in 16 cities across the 3 North American countries.*

*Our custom packages include your choice of first-class hotels and match tickets in any city in which competition will be held, including access to the Final in New York.*

*For more information about 2026 World Cup packages, contact us today.*



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