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TripAdvisor Hotel Pricing Report Reveals Best Time For Americans To Go To Popular Travel Destinations Worldwide

2017 is a Great Time for U.S. Travelers to Shop the Caribbean Where Hotel Prices are Down 8% Compared to Last Year

NEEDHAM, Mass., Feb. 28, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- <u>TripAdvisor</u>, the travel planning and booking site, today announced the results of its 2017 Hotel Pricing Report, revealing global accommodation trends based on TripAdvisor hotel shopping data. Designed to help travelers discover destinations that offer great year-over-year accommodation value, the report also highlights the most affordable months to stay at hotels in popular travel destinations worldwide.



"With its Hotel Pricing Report, TripAdvisor is helping travelers as they consider where and when to go on vacation by identifying some of the best-value travel periods in popular destinations around the world," said Brooke Ferencsik, senior director of communications for TripAdvisor. "TripAdvisor hotel shopping data reveals that some destinations offer significant hotel value this year compared to last, including the Caribbean where hotel prices are down eight percent, making it a perfect time for Americans to book a dream trip there."

Destination	2017 Avg. Nightly Rate on TripAdvisor	YoY Price Decrease	TripAdvisor Hotel Shopping Ranking (out of 184 countries)			
Turkey	\$109	-14%	26 th			
Taiwan	\$138	-12%	23 rd			
Belize	\$269	-9%	54 th			
Caribbean	\$442	-8%	3 rd			
Cambodia	\$122	-5%	46 th			
Sri Lanka	\$180	-5%	43 rd			
Costa Rica	\$298	-4%	31 st			
Vietnam	\$118	-4%	24 th			
Philippines	\$146	-3%	15 th			
United Arab Emirates	\$358	-3%	20 th			

10 Popular Tourism Destinations Offering U.S. Travelers Hotel Value in 2017*

Average Hotel Rates Bookable on TripAdvisor by Month in Top 10 Most Shopped Destinations** (Bold text denotes best value, based on a combination of average monthly temperature and price)

	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	Мау	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
U.S.	\$186	\$206	\$215	\$201	\$200	\$210	\$221	\$214	\$204	\$201	\$190	\$214
	32 °F	35 °F	42 °F	52 °F	60 °F	69 °F	73 °F	72 °F	65 °F	55 °F	43 °F	34 °F
Spain	\$124	\$142	\$154	\$161	\$171	\$187	\$208	\$219	\$192	\$180	\$150	\$167
	49 °F	51 °F	54 °F	56 °F	61 °F	68 °F	73 °F	73 °F	69 °F	62 °F	55 °F	51 °F
Caribbean	\$486	\$524	\$515	\$421	\$369	\$369	\$360	\$337	\$301	\$314	\$345	\$494
	76 °F	76 °F	77 °F	78 °F	80 °F	82 °F	82 °F	82 °F	81 °F	81 °F	79 °F	77 °F
Brazil	\$148	\$155	\$137	\$135	\$133	\$140	\$158	\$207	\$157	\$157	\$161	\$210
	78 °F	78 °F	78 °F	76 °F	75 °F	73 °F	72 °F	73 °F	76 °F	78 °F	78 °F	78 °F
Mexico	\$376	\$426	\$423	\$362	\$332	\$331	\$341	\$320	\$286	\$298	\$318	\$457
	61 °F	63 °F	67 °F	71 °F	74 °F	75 °F	74 °F	74 °F	73 °F	70 °F	65 °F	62 °F
U.K.	\$170	\$181	\$203	\$207	\$222	\$256	\$251	\$228	\$240	\$226	\$231	\$247

	40 °F	40 °F	43 °F	46 °F	51 °F	56 °F	60 °F	60 °F	56 °F	50 °F	44 °F	40 °F
Japan	\$166	\$179	\$217	\$221	\$205	\$199	\$229	\$261	\$220	\$229	\$235	\$251
	39 °F	40 °F	45 °F	54 °F	62 °F	68 °F	75 °F	77 °F	71 °F	62 °F	52 °F	44 °F
Italy	\$163	\$175	\$196	\$230	\$270	\$271	\$260	\$273	\$298	\$258	\$185	\$204
	42 °F	44 °F	47 °F	53 °F	60 °F	67 °F	72 °F	72 °F	67 °F	59 °F	50 °F	44 °F
Thailand	\$175	\$179	\$163	\$144	\$135	\$145	\$154	\$161	\$146	\$146	\$171	\$186
	80 °F	83 °F	85 °F	87 °F	86 °F	85 °F	85 °F	84 °F	84 °F	83 °F	81 °F	79 °F
India	\$128	\$132	\$123	\$107	\$101	\$102	\$107	\$114	\$111	\$144	\$151	\$176
	63 °F	67 °F	75 °F	81 °F	85 °F	85 °F	81 °F	80 °F	80 °F	77 °F	70 °F	64 °F

Where and When to Travel for Hotel Savings**

(Hotel prices based on TripAdvisor hotel rates sourced from more than 200 websites delivering the most recent and lowest hotel prices)

- **U.S.:** While the most affordable month to stay in a hotel in the U.S. was in January (\$186), May (\$200), June (\$210), and September (\$204) are the best months to visit, boasting an optimal combination of price and temperature.
- Spain: The least expensive hotel rates in Spain were in January (\$124), however, travelers are able enjoy low prices and better weather in March (\$154), April (\$161) and November (\$150).
- **Caribbean:** Travelers can find the best prices on hotels in the Caribbean from August through October, with nightly rates averaging as low as \$301. Since it is hurricane season, travelers need to watch the weather and consider purchasing travel insurance.
- **Brazil:** While the weather there is always warm, hotel rates in Brazil are coolest during the months of March (\$137), April (\$135) and May (\$133).
- Mexico: With warm temperatures year-round, travelers can seek out the lowest hotel prices in Mexico between September and November, at an average of \$318 per night or less.
- **U.K.:** Though the least expensive hotels in the U.K. were in January (\$170) and February (\$181), U.S. travelers can also enjoy affordable rates and mild temperatures in May (\$222), August (\$228) and October (\$226).
- Japan: January (\$163) was the least expensive month to book a hotel in Japan, however, travelers will find April (\$221), May (\$205), and June (\$199) offer the best combination of warm temperatures and low rates. Travelers vacationing in June should pack an umbrella, which is in the midst of Japan's rainy season.
- **Italy:** Travelers can enjoy the largest hotel savings in Italy during the winter months, but will want to travel during April (\$230), October (\$258), or November (\$185) for the best mix of price and weather.
- **Thailand:** Boasting consistently high temperatures, travelers can go low on hotel prices during Thailand's shoulder season in April (\$144), May (\$135), and June (\$145).
- India: Featuring hot temperatures all year, travelers willing to brave the heat can find the least expensive hotels in India April through June, with nightly rates below \$110.

Notes to editors:

*The 2017 average nightly hotel rates in the "10 Popular Tourism Destinations Offering Hotel Value in 2017" table are based on TripAdvisor pricing data for hotel check-ins from January to June 2017, compared to the same period of 2016, aggregated from booking partners. Nightly rates were based on visitor searches completed in USD and based on the exchange rate quoted at the time of the site visit. Hotel shopping ranking is based on TripAdvisor hotel instant booking and meta-click data for hotel check-ins from January to June 2017, compared to the same period of 2016. All destinations rank in the top third most shopped hotels on TripAdvisor.

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*Source: comScore Media Metrix for TripAdvisor Sites, worldwide, November 2016 **Source: TripAdvisor log files, Q3 2016

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