

# Be Your Own Travel Agent

## Library Resources

- [Mango Languages](#): lessons in 60 plus languages, an app is also available.
- **Travel Books & DVDs**: visit the travel section on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor for travel guides like Lonely Planet, Fodor's and Frommer's
- **Language Learning CDs and eMaterials**: brush up on the local language with cds and eBooks

## Travel Guides & Recommendations

- [Facebook Groups](#): look for both general and specific groups for areas you are looking to visit.
- [TripAdvisor](#): reviews of hotels, restaurants, and activities
- [Cruise Critic](#): reviews of cruise lines, ships, ports and excursions

## Getting There

- [Google Flights](#): search airfare, set price alerts
- [Momondo](#): one of the top rated sites for airfare
- [Kayak](#): part of the Priceline group of sites, which include Booking, Priceline, etc.
- [Expedia](#): Expedia also owns Travelocity, Orbitz, Hotwire, Hotels.com, etc.
- [Skyscanner](#): has the option to search 'everywhere' to find the best deals during your vacation time
- [SeatGuru](#): information about seats on different airlines
- [Amtrak](#): way to see the country while getting to your destination
- [Costco Vacations](#): for rental cars, cruises and vacation packages (membership)
- [Scott's Cheap Flights](#): watch for great deals to many locales

## Accommodations

- [AirBNB](#): rooms and homes to rent around the world
- [VRBO/Homeway](#): vacation homes for rent
- [Booking.com](#): includes hotels, B&Bs, and apartments for rental
- [HostelWorld](#): for budget travel, listing and rating of hostels
- [Mr. & Mrs. Smith](#): high end, luxury stays
- [Agoda](#): hotels available around the world
- [National Park Reservations](#): lodging @ US National Parks (books 1 year ahead)

## Exploring

- [Viator](#): tours, experiences across the globe
- [AirBNB Experiences](#): experiences with local guides
- [US National Parks](#): information on parks, trails, fees



### **Trip Planning**

- **Triplt**: plot out your whole trip, including stays, car, air and share with travel partners
- **Google Maps**: map out stopping points, share with others

### **Enjoying Your Trip**

- **Yelp**: restaurant reviews in the US
- **Culinary Backstreets**: food tours in major cities around the world
- **Fodor's**: online version of the popular guide
- **Frommer's**: download and print sections of popular guidebooks
- **Her Packing List**: who doesn't need help packing?
- **Local Eats**: this app has no chain restaurants!