



# Booking Your Summer Travel Plans



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## The Benefits of Flying Private

Have you been putting your travel plans on hold? If you're dreaming of escaping to a tropical Caribbean paradise or peaceful alpine resort, a private jet charter can take you there safely and without delay. You'll have the entire cabin to yourself as you fly, so you can choose who you'll travel with rather than sit next to strangers. And, when you need to stretch your legs or take a nap, your private jet provides enough room to do so.

## Flying Private vs. First Class

Why not fly first class instead? [Flying first class or in a private jet](#) are both comfortable ways to travel. However, chartering a private jet takes luxury to an unparalleled level. Unlike flying first class on a commercial flight, you'll skip the hassles of checking luggage, going through airport security and dealing with crowds when you charter a jet. You also don't have to arrive at the airport hours before your flight or wait in lines.

Here are more [benefits you can expect with a private jet charter](#):

- **Inflight catering:** Dining on a private jet goes beyond a first-class experience. During your journey, you'll be served gourmet catered cuisine prepared by chefs who understand the [science of taste in flight](#). And, with champagne always available, you can easily unwind and get in a vacation-ready mood.
- **Ultimate comfort:** You can expect unmatched comfort when you fly private, such as fully reclining leather seats and plenty of legroom. Plus, you don't have to wait in line for the bathroom, and you can be sure you always have a window seat.
- **Customized journey:** When you charter a jet, you choose your flight schedule rather than follow the airline's plan. So, whether you want to leave early in the morning or late at night, your private jet will be waiting for you. You'll also coordinate your flight plan with the charter company, designing a journey that meets your needs.
- **Fast and simple:** Since private jets are typically smaller than commercial planes, they can land in smaller, less congested airports. This means you can land closer to your destination and won't have to spend as much time traveling from the airport or sitting in traffic. You'll also fly nonstop to your destination, so you don't have to worry about lengthy layovers.

- **Few restrictions:** Do you want to bring your pets, golf clubs or favorite wine on your flight? Flying private often means you'll face [fewer restrictions](#) regarding what you can carry on board. In other words, you can bring whatever you need to feel comfortable as you fly and enjoy your vacation once you land.
- **Peace and privacy:** If you have business matters to address before your vacation officially starts, you can use your jet to be productive. You'll have unlimited access to Wi-Fi and the privacy you need to discuss confidential information with your colleagues.
- **Cost savings:** If your time is as valuable as money, flying private is an economical choice. Without dealing with lines, layovers or the airline's schedule, you get to your destination faster, saving precious time and money.

## How Do You Fly Private?

The first step to flying private is to find a reliable chartering company that services your area. GrandView Aviation, for example, flies on-demand out of all airports within a 300-mile radius of [the following locations](#):

- Washington, D.C.
- Baltimore
- Austin
- Chicago
- Atlanta
- Scottsdale
- Denver
- Los Angeles
- Boston

You'll also need to know where you want to go and when. Once you determine your trip dates and destinations, [contact your chosen charter company for a quote](#).

After you book your flight, the process gets even easier. On the day of departure, you'll arrive at your selected airport about 15 minutes before takeoff. This allows enough time for the crew to check your ID and load your luggage. Then, you'll board the aircraft, get comfortable and soar through the sky directly to your destination. No lines, no crowds, no hassles.

## What Airports Do Private Jets Use?

Private jets may use commercial, private or regional airports depending on the company and their customer's needs.

## Is Flying Private Safe?

Flying private is just as safe, if not more so, than flying on a commercial plane. Like commercial aircraft, private jets must meet safety and maintenance standards set by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). Many private jet charter companies exceed the minimum requirements established by the FAA. The best charter companies are also certified by aviation audit organizations, [such as Wyvern and ARGUS](#), which further ensures safety.

## What Are the Top Private Jet Destinations?

Some of the most popular private jet charter destinations include mountainous ski towns, like Aspen, Colorado, and Caribbean islands, such as the Bahamas, Bermuda and St. Barts. In this guide, we'll explore some of the most breathtaking places you can reach on a private jet in minimal time and provide tips for booking your summer travel plans.

Are you ready to fly in comfort and style now? At GrandView Aviation, we offer on-demand private jet charters coupled with luxury and safety. [Contact us](#) today to learn more or [request a quote](#) for your private jet experience.



## Chapter 1: Flying Private to the Caribbean This Summer

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When you close your eyes and envision paradise, do you see palm trees, velvety white sand and endless blue water? If you're longing for a relaxing and luxurious island vacation, the Caribbean may be calling you.

The Caribbean comprises [hundreds of islands](#) dotting a gem-toned sea and gorgeous coastline. The region is synonymous with year-round balmy weather, picture-perfect beaches and opulent seaside resorts. If you want more than just a beach vacation, you'll find that in the Caribbean, too. You can explore colonial history, trek through tropical forests or shop to your heart's content — and those are just a few ways to enjoy your escape.

To make your journey even more blissful, you can fly on a private plane to Caribbean islands. If you [fly private to the Caribbean](#), you don't have to wait until you land to start your vacation. Flying private allows you to slip into a stress-free state the moment you board your jet. You'll also arrive at your destination fast, giving you that much-needed dose of relaxation.

If you're ready to turn your Caribbean dream into a reality, this chapter will help you get started. We'll cover where to go in the Caribbean on a private jet, when to go and what to do when you arrive.

### Where Do Private Jets Land in the Caribbean?

Private jets can land at any public-use airport in the Caribbean or private-use airport with permission. It all depends on where you want to go. Your flight coordinator will work with you to develop the best plan and select airports closest to your destinations.



**Any time of the year can be a good time** for your island getaway if you know what to expect and plan accordingly.

## When Is the Best Time to Fly to the Caribbean?

In general, the best time to fly to the Caribbean is in the winter, **which is the dry season**. However, winter is also the most popular time of year to visit the Caribbean, mainly because travelers flock there to escape cold weather. Many vacationers also want to experience Carnival, a world-famous celebration, which generally takes place in February and March.

Summer and fall are when the beaches are less crowded, but rainfall is more common. The wet season in the Caribbean typically begins in May or June and lasts through November. This is also considered hurricane season.

To keep your Caribbean travel plans during hurricane season, you could fly to islands that are less likely to be affected by hurricanes. These include **locations in the southern Caribbean**, such as Aruba, Bonaire, Curaçao and Barbados.

Overall, temperatures remain **relatively constant throughout the year** in the Caribbean region. So, any time of the year can be a good time for your island getaway if you know what to expect and plan accordingly.

## Which Caribbean Island Has the Best Weather?

Aruba boasts wonderful weather almost every month of the year. That's because it's one of the driest Caribbean islands, and its trade winds cool its **almost constant 81-degree temperature**.

In general, you can expect bright blue skies, warming sunshine and a refreshing breeze no matter when you visit Aruba. However, Aruba's soothing trade winds typically weaken in September, so you may want to avoid this month if you want to keep cool easily.

## Which Caribbean Island Has the Nicest Beaches?

According to Travel and Leisure's World's Best Awards survey, Anguilla ranked as the [top Caribbean island](#), with 33 stunning beaches. In Anguilla, you can expect silky white sand and calm, clear water — perfect for swimming or snorkeling. Some of the best beaches in Anguilla include:

- Rendezvous Bay
- Shoal Bay
- Maundays Bay
- Meads Bay



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## What Is the Easiest Caribbean Island to Fly To?

The Bahamas is very easy to fly to, as it takes less than an hour to reach from Miami. Jamaica and Puerto Rico are also simple flight destinations because several major U.S. airlines travel to these islands daily. If you fly private, you can quickly reach any Caribbean island with an airport from the United States.

## Which Islands Should I Visit?

Choosing where to go in the Caribbean can be challenging because many islands offer unique charm and fun ways to unwind. To help you decide where to go, consider the following Caribbean destinations, all of which are known for their scenic beaches, deluxe resorts and fascinating cultures:

- **Bermuda:** [Bermuda](#) is known for its oceanside golf courses, pink-sand beaches and world-class diving sites. You can easily reach Bermuda by booking a private flight to L.F. Wade International Airport.
- **The British Virgin Islands (BVI):** If you love to sail, consider vacationing in the British Virgin Islands. Consisting of [more than 50 islands and cays](#), BVI can be a fun destination for island hopping.

- **Turks and Caicos Islands:** With calm water and coral reefs, the Turks and Caicos archipelago is a dream destination for water sports. Visit Turks and Caicos to go diving, snorkeling, kayaking and stand-up paddleboarding or simply to enjoy gorgeous beaches.
- **Aruba:** Besides its year-round pleasant weather and picturesque beaches, Aruba is home to colorful colonial Dutch architecture, rugged desert landscapes and glittering casinos. Get on a flight to Queen Beatrix International Airport and forget time exists.
- **St. Lucia:** [St. Lucia](#) conjures images of the Pitons — two volcanic plugs that tower over the sea. But it's also a destination for chocolate lovers. Visit St. Lucia to tour a cacao plantation or indulge your senses with a chocolate spa treatment.
- **Bahamas:** [The Bahamas](#) can satisfy any traveler's dreams. Whether you're craving a luxury shopping spree, crispy conch fritters or a day of bonefishing, the Bahamas and its many islands await you.
- **Cayman Islands:** The Cayman Islands is a coveted destination for diving and snorkeling, and it's also considered the culinary capital of the Caribbean. Here you can swim with stingrays or dive down to a shipwreck then fuel up for your next adventure at a world-class restaurant.
- **St. Barts:** St. Barts is a glamorous French-Caribbean island known for its posh villas, upscale boutiques and fine-dining restaurants. It's the ideal destination for cruising turquoise waters in a stylish yacht.
- **Jamaica:** Whether you love smooth rum, smoky jerk chicken or soulful reggae, you won't forget your trip to [Jamaica](#). With three International airports, it's easy to reach Jamaica whenever you need to get away.
- **St. Kitts and Nevis:** St. Kitts and the neighboring island of Nevis are known as the Caribbean's secret gems. With scenic golf courses, oceanfront resorts and friendly locals, St. Kitts and Nevis islands are perfect for relaxing.
- **Canouan:** Canouan is a small, luxurious island in the nation of St. Vincent and the Grenadines. You can take a private jet to Canouan Airport and immediately enjoy the island's offerings, including upscale villas and beautiful golf courses.
- **Barbados:** Barbados has everything a traveler could hope to find on a Caribbean island, from lush, tropical landscapes to fusion cuisine bursting with flavor. Book a private flight to Grantley Adams International Airport and prepare to satisfy all of your Caribbean cravings.
- **Dominican Republic:** [Millions of people](#) visit the Dominican Republic each year for its white-sand beaches, hospitable locals, historical attractions and rich culture. This island is home to multiple airports, so you can easily plan a flight that lands close to your accommodations.

## Steps for Planning Your Caribbean Flight

Planning a trip to the Caribbean can be as simple as chartering an on-demand jet and packing your bag. However, if you want to ensure you make the most of your vacation, it's worth planning the most important details a few months in advance — especially if you're traveling during peak season.

You can take these steps to plan your Caribbean escape whether you wish to board a private jet in a few days or a couple of months:

- **Establish your budget:** First, determine how much you can set aside for your trip, considering your flight, accommodations and attractions. Your budget will guide the rest of your planning decisions.
- **Consider who you're traveling with:** How many people will be traveling with you to the Caribbean? Knowing your group size will help you find a private jet that's the right fit. Our [Phenom 300 jets](#) comfortably accommodate up to eight passengers.
- **Think about in-flight amenities:** Consider all the amenities you want during your flight, whether you desire gourmet food or a comfortable space to conduct business. Knowing your in-flight essentials can help you maximize your time in the sky.
- **Choose your destination:** Where do you want to go for your Caribbean escape? It may help to think about what you wish to accomplish during your vacation. For example, do you want to relax on the beach the whole time, or are you looking forward to exciting nightlife? Once you know your destination, a flight coordinator can plan the best route for you.
- **Determine your travel dates:** Figure out when you want to travel and for how long. It can take several days to get into a relaxed mindset when you start a vacation, so the more time you have, the better. Also, make sure to consider the weather before you choose when to go.
- **Figure out the details:** Determine where you'll stay, how you'll get around once you arrive and what you'll do or see while you're there. Although you don't need to figure out every moment of each day, you'll at least want to have a general idea of how you'll spend your time in the Caribbean.
- **Obtain travel insurance:** Travel insurance can cover certain aspects of your trip if you need to cancel. Depending on the policy, it may also provide reimbursement if your belongings get lost or damaged during your journey. Travel insurance is always a good idea if you're investing a lot in your trip.
- **Pack early:** When you're about a week or two away from your departure date, create a packing list so you can remember everything you need for your trip. Also, check with your charter company to see what you can bring on your private jet. Make sure you pack for the weather and bring other travel necessities, such as a photo ID.

If you need assistance booking a private flight to the Caribbean, [let us know](#) at GrandView Aviation, and we'll be happy to assist you.



## Chapter 2: Fly Private to Your Favorite Beach This Summer

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If you want to be closer to home for your beach vacation, you have many options in the United States, from California's cliff-lined shores to Florida's warm, crystalline waters. A private jet can zoom you to the most beautiful beaches in the country, even if you decide last-minute that you need to get away.

This chapter covers some of the best beaches and how to get there on a private jet to help you plan your U.S. beach vacation. If you're ready to charter a private jet now, whether you're dreaming of San Diego sunshine or Miami nightlife, [contact GrandView Aviation for a quote.](#)



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### What's the Best Month to Take a Beach Vacation?

September is generally the best month to take a beach vacation because the water is at its warmest, the days are still long and some of the summer crowds have dispersed. However, it also depends on where you go.

If you're taking a private jet to Miami, for example, it's recommended to visit in late April or early May, when the weather is warming up and hurricane season is still in the distance.

## Best Beaches in the United States

The United States is home to many gorgeous beaches all along its coasts.

Here are some of the top spots for soaking up the sun and how to get there:

- **Key Biscayne Beach in Key Biscayne, Florida:** Fly to Miami International Airport
- **Coronado Beach in Coronado, California:** Fly to San Diego International Airport
- **Siesta Key Beach in Sarasota, Florida:** Fly to Sarasota-Bradenton International Airport
- **Beachwalker Park in Kiawah Island, South Carolina:** Fly to Charleston International Airport
- **Bowman's Beach in Sanibel Island, Florida:** Fly to Southwest Florida International Airport
- **Henderson Beach State Park in Destin, Florida:** Fly to Destin-Fort Walton Beach Airport
- **Crystal Cove State Park in Laguna Beach, California:** Fly to John Wayne Airport
- **Coquina Beach in the Outer Banks, North Carolina:** Fly to Norfolk International Airport
- **Carmel Beach in Carmel-by-the-Sea, California:** Fly to Monterey Regional Airport
- **Coligny Beach in Hilton Head Island, South Carolina:** Fly to Savannah/Hilton Head International Airport
- **Delray Beach in Delray Beach, Florida:** Fly to Palm Beach International Airport
- **Santa Monica State Beach in Santa Monica, California:** Fly to Santa Monica Airport
- **Point Dume State Beach in Malibu, California:** Fly to Santa Monica Airport
- **Driftwood Beach in Jekyll Island, Georgia:** Fly to Jekyll Island Airport

## The Most Luxurious Beach Resorts

If you're searching for an exclusive beach experience, here are top resort recommendations for ultimate relaxation:

### 1. Florida

Florida brims with chic, oceanside resorts, such as:

**Four Seasons Hotel at the Surf Club in Surfside:** The Four Seasons Hotel at the Surf Club is known for its ocean views, light-filled rooms and stylish design. This historical seaside property also gives guests access to [two heated outdoor pools](#) and a beautiful beach.

**Acqualina Resort and Residences on the Beach in Sunny Isles Beach:** Acqualina Resort and Residences is an award-winning retreat, offering [three oceanfront pools](#), lush green spaces and world-class dining.

**Little Palm Island Resort and Spa in Little Torch Key:** Little Palm Island Resort and Spa is a romantic, private island where you're encouraged to turn off your phone and indulge your senses. Enjoy numerous activities while you're there, including kayaking and deep-sea fishing, and save time to rest [on your outdoor lounge bed](#).

## 2. California

If you're flying private to California for your beach vacation, expect top-rated resorts offering dramatic scenery. Here are a few options:

**Post Ranch Inn in Big Sur:** Both rugged and elegant, [Post Ranch Inn](#) is the perfect place to unplug and unwind. Enjoy amenities such as wood-burning fireplaces, heated infinity pools and stunning views.

**Montage Laguna Beach in Laguna Beach:** Set atop a cliff overlooking the Pacific, Montage Laguna Beach features [a 20,000-square-foot spa](#), three unique restaurants and a mosaic-adorned beachside pool.

**Shutters on the Beach in Santa Monica:** [Shutters on the Beach](#) is the premier place to stay in Santa Monica and is known for its beautiful views, cozy rooms and exceptional service.

## 3. Georgia

Are you planning to vacation on Georgia's Sea Island? You can't beat [The Cloister](#) — a luxurious oceanfront resort. Rated as the [top hotel in Georgia by U.S News](#), The Cloister is loved for its golf courses, delicious food and unparalleled service.

If you're flying to Jekyll Island instead, consider the [Jekyll Island Club Resort](#). This historic property provides beautiful gardens, open-air dining and easy beach access.

## 4. South Carolina

Does your dream beach vacation include plenty of golf time? You might enjoy staying at The Sanctuary at Kiawah Island Golf Resort. Here you can test your skills on [golf courses loved by the pros](#), and round out your day with a relaxing spa treatment.

You can also stay at [The Inn and Club at Harbor Town](#) in Hilton Head Island for an unforgettable beach vacation. Here you can play on a championship golf course, lounge by the pool or relax in a comfortable suite overlooking the fairway and South Carolina landscape.

## Can Private Jets Land in Key West?

Private jets may land at Key West International Airport or Florida Keys/Marathon International Airport.



When you charter a **private jet with GrandView Aviation**, you'll experience hassle-free travel and ultimate comfort and safety as you fly in style.

## What Company Should I Fly With?

GrandView Aviation can fly you to your favorite beach in California, Florida, South Carolina and other coastal destinations in the lower 48 states. When you charter a private jet with GrandView Aviation, you'll experience hassle-free travel and ultimate comfort and safety as you fly in style. [Contact us today](#) to learn more about [our aircraft](#) and flight destinations.



## Chapter 3: Spend Your Summer Vacation in the Mountains

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Although you might love winter and snow-covered slopes at alpine resorts, the summer is perfect for exploring the mountains and enjoying the cool, clean air. During the summer, when the mountains are covered in greenery and wildflowers, you can hike, bike, kayak or enjoy a host of other outdoor activities. Taking your summer vacation in the mountains is also an excuse to slow down, disconnect and lose yourself in the gorgeous scenery.

If your ideal escape takes place in the mountains, a private jet can get you close to your destination. This chapter covers the top mountain destinations in the country to inspire your summer travel plans and get you ready to fly.

### What Are the Best Mountain Destinations?

From the Rocky Mountains to the Sierra Nevadas, there are plenty of peaks to take your breath away.

Here are some of America's best mountain destinations and how to reach them on a private jet:

- **Crested Butte, Colorado:** Fly to Aspen/Pitkin County Airport
- **Telluride, Colorado:** Fly to Grand Junction Regional Airport
- **Jackson, Wyoming:** Fly to Jackson Hole Airport
- **Park City, Utah:** Fly to Salt Lake City International Airport
- **Ouray, Colorado:** Fly to Grand Junction Regional Airport
- **Whitefish, Montana:** Fly to Glacier Park International Airport
- **Truckee, California:** Fly to Reno-Tahoe International Airport
- **Sisters, Oregon:** Fly to Redmond Municipal Airport
- **Vail, Colorado:** Fly to Eagle County Regional Airport
- **Aspen, Colorado:** Fly to Aspen/Pitkin County Airport
- **Bozeman, Montana:** Fly to Bozeman Yellowstone International Airport

## What Can You Do in the Summer in the Mountains?

In the summer, mountains provide endless opportunities to reconnect with nature and go on an unforgettable adventure. You can enjoy activities such as:

- Hiking
- Biking
- Fishing
- Golfing
- Swimming
- Rock climbing
- Soaking in a hot spring
- Taking a scenic train ride
- Horseback riding
- Riding an all-terrain vehicle
- Kayaking
- Rafting
- Visiting a national park
- Riding a mountain coaster
- Observing wildlife
- Paragliding
- Paddleboarding
- Gliding on a zip line
- Relaxing in a spa
- Shopping
- Camping
- Stargazing
- Attending festivals or outdoor concerts
- Exploring local history
- Sampling regional cuisine
- Visiting wineries
- Touring breweries
- Absorbing the scenery

## The Best Places to Visit in Colorado During the Summer

- Denver
- Aspen
- Garden of the Gods
- Mesa Verde National Park
- Palisade
- Rocky Mountain National Park
- Vail
- Boulder



### What Are the Best Places to Visit in Colorado During the Summer?

With over 40 peaks exceeding 14,000 feet in height, captivating cities and an abundance of outdoor and indoor activities to enjoy, it's no wonder Colorado sees millions of visitors each year. For example, nearly 87 million people visited the Centennial State in 2019.

To help you plan your Colorado break, here are some of the state's top places to explore in the summer:

- **Denver:** Set against the Rocky Mountain foothills, the Mile High City offers awe-inspiring scenery in addition to breweries, museums, parks and historic sites. You might also use [Denver](#) as your base for Rocky Mountain National Park.
- **Aspen:** Situated in the White River National Forest, [Aspen](#) is a picturesque ski town that's well worth visiting in the summer. From Aspen, you can head to Maroon Bells — one of the most photographed spots in the country — or attend the Aspen Music Festival.
- **Garden of the Gods:** Located in Colorado Springs, [Garden of the Gods](#) features giant, ancient red rock formations with Pikes Peak as a backdrop. You can experience this unique park by hiking, biking, rock climbing or taking a guided tour.
- **Mesa Verde National Park:** Mesa Verde was once the home of the ancestral Pueblo people, who built communities in the cliffs [about 1,400 years ago](#). This [World Heritage Site](#) is a must-see if you love history and haunting landscapes.
- **Palisade:** Located a short drive from Grand Junction, Palisade is in the heart of Colorado's wine country. This small, scenic town has [two-thirds of the state's vineyard acreage](#) and a quarter of its wineries. It's the perfect place for a vineyard bike ride.
- **Rocky Mountain National Park:** For a chance to enjoy the Rockies and spot bighorn sheep, elk, moose and [various other animal species](#), consider visiting Rocky Mountain National Park. The park features [over 300 miles of hiking trails](#), with paths leading to falls, lakes, mountain peaks and meadows.
- **Vail:** [Vail](#) is worth visiting any time of the year for its European-style architecture, designer boutiques and innovative restaurants. You'll also find adventure in Vail, including a chance to hike with a llama or ride a mountain coaster.
- **Boulder:** [Boulder](#) has everything you could hope for in a Coloradan vacation, including miles of hiking trails, award-winning restaurants, notable breweries and a laid-back atmosphere.

## Where Should I Stay in Colorado in the Summer?

Colorado's top destinations offer elegant and cozy places to stay, many with stunning mountain views.

Here are a few of the state's best resorts and hotels:

- **The Little Nell in Aspen:** As Aspen's [only five-star hotel](#), The Little Nell offers ultimate luxury. Every room provides up-to-date technology, comfortable, modern furnishings, a gas log fireplace and heated marble bathroom floors. When you're not relaxing in your room, you can sip rare wine in the hotel's fine dining restaurant, shop the boutique or de-stress in the outdoor hot tub.
- **Sonnenalp Hotel in Vail:** The [Sonnenalp Hotel](#), with its wooden balconies and striped shutters, looks like it was taken from a village in the Alps. Here you'll find an award-winning spa, four restaurants and exclusive access to a [championship golf course](#).
- **Garden of the Gods Resort and Club in Colorado Springs:** This [resort and club](#) provides spectacular views of the Garden of the Gods and offers plenty of outdoor amenities. Spend the day on [the 27-hole golf course](#), take a private pickleball lesson or relax in the infinity pool as you gaze at the mountains.
- **The Broadmoor in Colorado Springs:** The Broadmoor is a legendary five-star hotel that's been [welcoming visitors since 1918](#). Here you can immerse yourself in the beautiful surroundings as you play golf or tennis or swim in the lakefront infinity pool. End your day with a relaxing massage at the spa.

## What Food Is Colorado Known For?

Colorado offers hearty dishes and fresh agricultural products for you to try.

When you visit Colorado, consider sampling the state's iconic foods, such as:

- Rocky Mountain oysters
- Olathe sweet corn
- Rocky Ford cantaloupe
- Denver steak
- Bison
- Green chili
- Palisade peaches
- Trout
- The Denver omelet



If you're planning a guided tour, river rafting adventure or dinner at a popular restaurant, **make sure to book as far in advance as possible.**

## Tips for Planning a Mountain Vacation

Whether you wish to vacation in Colorado or another mountainous state, the following tips can help you plan:

- **Book activities in advance:** In general, summer is the peak travel season, so activities can book up fast. If you're planning a guided tour, river rafting adventure or dinner at a popular restaurant, make sure to book as far in advance as possible.
- **Pack layers:** During the summer, mountain days can be warm, but the evenings and mornings might be chilly. The air also gets cooler with higher altitudes. To ensure you're comfortable throughout your trip, pack a light jacket and long pants in addition to your warm-weather clothing.
- **Plan to stay hydrated:** If you'll be hiking, biking or doing other activities at a high altitude, plan to have plenty of water with you. Staying hydrated will keep you energized and help prevent altitude sickness at heights **greater than 8,000 feet**.
- **Book lodging arrangements early:** Since summer is the busiest season for traveling, it's essential to book your accommodations in advance, so you can get the room you want. You may also enjoy greater savings if you book your room at the right time. The general rule is to reserve your space about three weeks before your departure date, though you may need more time depending on the location.

Are you eager to plan a private jet charter to Colorado, Montana, Utah or other mountainous states? [Contact us at GrandView Aviation](#) to learn more about chartering a comfortable private jet for your mountain getaway.



## Chapter 4: Enjoy Summer With a Private Jet in the Pacific Northwest

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Do you want to combine an ocean breeze with mountain scenery? The Pacific Northwest, which consists of Washington, Oregon and Idaho, has it all, from snow-capped peaks to dramatic coastline. You can access many of the region's natural treasures from its vibrant cities, giving you a chance to enjoy cultural amenities in addition to the great outdoors.

The summer is ideal for visiting the Pacific Northwest because you can expect the least rainfall and blue, sunny skies. The summer is also an excellent time for whale-watching or attending a colorful festival. With many international and regional airports to choose from, you can easily reach the Pacific Northwest on a private jet whenever you're in the mood for this beautiful part of the country.

This chapter helps you plan your Pacific Northwest adventure, taking you to the region's nature-loving cities and sharing ideas of how to spend your time there. If you're seeking the best private jet service to whisk you away to Washington state, Oregon or Idaho, [contact GrandView Aviation](#) today.

### Can Private Jets Land Anywhere in the Pacific Northwest?

Private jets can land anywhere there's an airport in the Pacific Northwest, whether you want to check out the city or sneak away to a small town. Depending on your budget and preferences, you might charter a private jet to explore several Pacific Northwest destinations in a single trip. You'll work with a flight coordinator to design a vacation that fits your vision and needs.

Built on hills and surrounded by water and mountain ranges, **Seattle is loved for its beautiful surroundings and lush green spaces.**



## Visiting Seattle

The [Seattle](#) region has a long, rich history tracing back thousands of years when the [Suquamish and Duwamish Tribes](#) lived in the area. However, the city itself wasn't established until 1851, when settlers developed a townsite.

In its early days, lumber and coal were Seattle's primary industries. Today, Seattle is home to several Fortune 500 companies, including Amazon, Starbucks and Microsoft, and is the [18th most populous city](#) in the county. Built on hills and surrounded by water and mountain ranges, Seattle is loved for its beautiful surroundings and lush green spaces.

## Where to Land

You have multiple options when choosing where to land in Seattle. Airports include:

- Seattle-Tacoma International Airport
- King County International Airport
- Renton Municipal Airport

If you wish to be as close to downtown as possible, choose King County International Airport.

## What to Do

Like many Pacific Northwest cities and towns, Seattle presents plenty of opportunities to embrace the outdoors. You'll also have access to unique city amenities and iconic foods, such as the Seattle dog — which includes a smear of cream cheese — and fresh-as-can-get oysters.

Things to do in Seattle and the surrounding areas include:

- Shop and eat at Pike Place Market.
- Take in panoramic views from the Space Needle.
- Explore art at the Olympic Sculpture Park.
- Visit the city's past at the Museum of History and Industry.
- Go on a food tour.
- Take a trip to Mount Rainier National Park or Olympic National Park.

- Stroll through Seattle Japanese Garden.
- Take a cruise.
- Hike around Blake Island.
- Tour wineries in Woodinville.
- Take a trapeze class.
- Go skydiving.
- Relax in a spa.
- Catch a Seattle Mariners game at T-Mobile Park.
- Hike at Discovery Park.

## Where to Stay

After a day of browsing at Pike Place Market, you'll need a cozy room to rest and recharge.

Here are some of Seattle's top hotels:

- **The Edgewater Hotel:** The [Edgewater Hotel](#) is the city's only over-water hotel, giving guests gorgeous views of the surrounding bay and mountains. It's also where music legends like the Beatles once rested their heads.
- **Fairmont Olympic Hotel:** Located close to everything, [this glamorous and historic hotel](#) is the perfect base for Seattle sightseeing.
- **Four Seasons Hotel Seattle:** The [Four Seasons Hotel](#) is located a short walk from Pike Place Market and offers a heated outdoor infinity pool facing Elliot Bay. Choose the Four Seasons if you want to experience the city's [top-ranked hotel](#).
- **Inn at the Market:** If you plan to spend a lot of time exploring Seattle's food scene, consider staying at [Inn at the Market](#). This chic hotel is located directly in Pike Place Market, making it easy to sample the city's different flavors. As a bonus, the rooftop deck provides panoramic views of Elliot Bay.

## Visiting Boise

[Boise](#), Idaho's largest city, is located in the Treasure Valley at the base of the Boise Mountains. [Native Americans inhabited the region for millennia](#) until settlers arrived in the 1800s. In 1862, gold fever hit the region, and its population surged.

Today, Boise is a fast-growing city known for its easy access to outdoor recreation, affordability and low crime rates. Unlike Seattle, which has a temperate climate, Boise has a semi-arid climate and gets much less precipitation, so you can expect clear skies whenever you visit in the summer.

## Where to Land

Boise Airport is the closest airfield to downtown, which is the best option if you want the most convenient flight. You could also fly to Friedman Memorial Airport in Hailey, Magic Valley Regional Airport in Twin Falls or McCall Municipal Airport if you wanted to add those places to your itinerary. Or, you could spend your entire vacation in Hailey, Twin Falls or McCall and enjoy Idaho's natural beauty and countless recreational opportunities.

## What to Do

Boise is ideal for outdoor lovers who also appreciate city amenities.

Here are some fun ways to spend a Boise vacation:

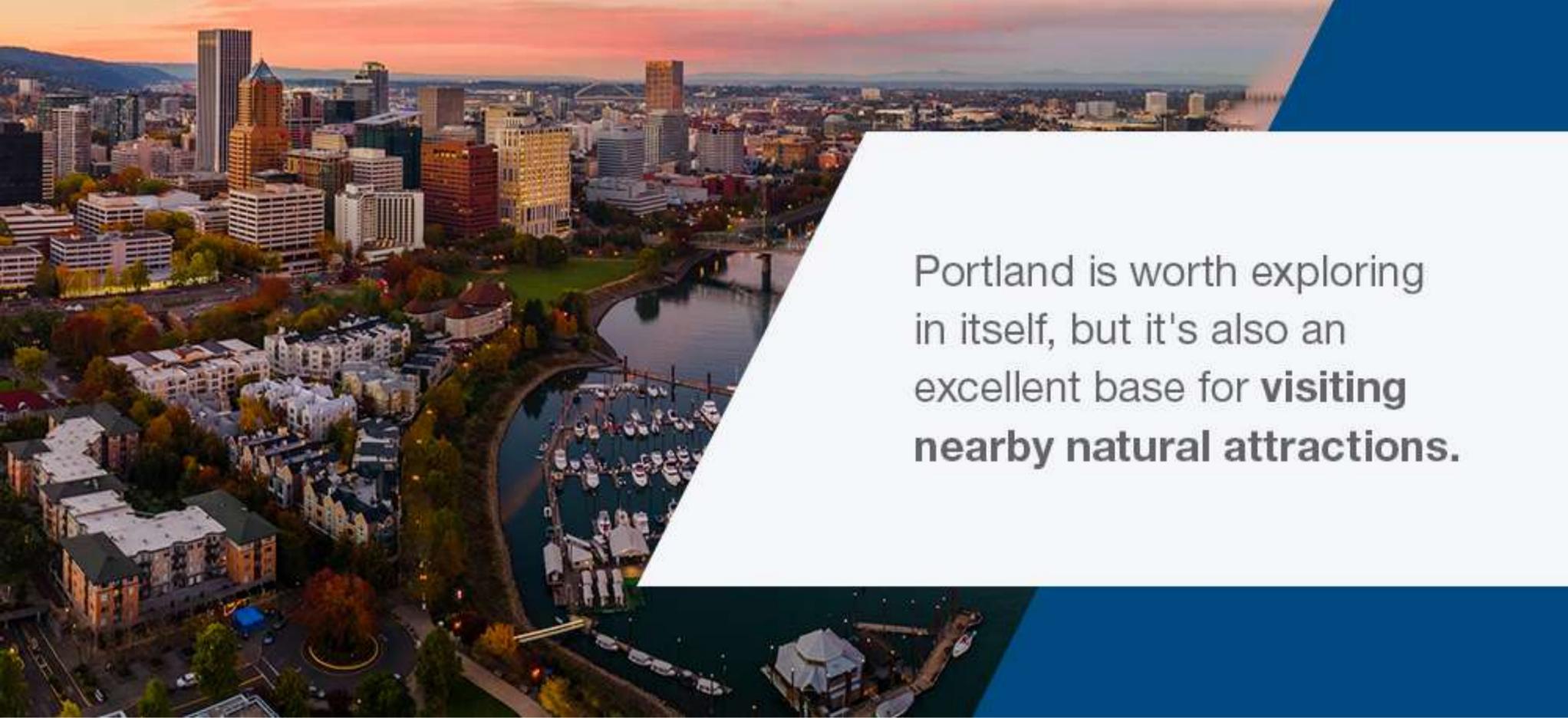
- Rent a bike and ride the Boise River Greenbelt.
- Have authentic paella at The Basque Market.
- Go river rafting or kayaking.
- Tour Old Idaho Penitentiary State Historic Site.
- Spend the day at Julia Davis Park, where there's a zoo, gardens and museums.
- Get close to raptors at the World Center for Birds of Prey.
- Watch wildlife at Kathryn Albertson Park.
- Tour the region's wineries.
- Shop at a local antique mall.
- Spend the day at a scenic golf course.

## Where to Stay

Boise invites you to enjoy a laid-back Pacific Northwest vacation, offering restful hotels to help you unwind.

Boise's highest-rated hotels include:

- **Hotel 43:** [Hotel 43](#) is a cozy and modern boutique hotel located downtown. Its top features include complimentary bike rentals, an award-winning steakhouse and the option to stay in a Pure Wellness room.
- **The Grove Hotel:** Connected to Idaho Central Arena, [the Grove Hotel](#) is steps away from entertainment venues, restaurants and shops. If you stay at the Grove, enjoy views of downtown and the nearby foothills from the fifth-floor fitness center and spa.
- **Inn at 500 Capitol:** If you want to be close to Julia Davis Park, consider staying at [Inn at 500 Capitol](#). This unique hotel provides stylish themed rooms and views of the Boise skyline.



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## Visiting Portland

**Portland** is situated where the Willamette River and Columbia River merge. This vibrant city was **claimed in 1843** and named following a coin toss two years later. By 1850, Portland consisted of a sawmill, hotel and newspaper press. Today it ranks as **one of the best places to live** in the country and is known as a creative and bike-friendly destination with tons of green spaces and a thriving food scene.

Portland is worth exploring in itself, but it's also an excellent base for visiting nearby natural attractions. From the city, you can visit beaches on the Oregon coast, hike through the forests surrounding Mount Hood or take in the view of a deep river gorge. But, if you're a food lover, you may not want to leave town at all during your stay. Instead, you can savor each bite as you eat your way through Portland's neighborhoods.

## Where to Land

Getting to Portland is simple as there are multiple airports in and near the city, including:

- Portland International Airport
- Portland-Hillsboro Airport
- Portland-Troutdale Airport
- Pearson Field

If you want to arrive closest to downtown, opt for Portland International Airport.

## What to Do

It can be challenging to plan a Portland vacation because there is so much to see and do in the city and the surrounding region.

Here are some ideas:

- Tour wineries in Willamette Valley.
- Soak in a saltwater pool, play golf and have lunch at McMenamins Edgefield and Ruby's Spa.
- Browse Powell's City of Books.
- Shop at Bridgeport Village.
- Take a food tour.
- Explore Forest Park.
- Get inspired at the Portland Art Museum.
- Try Voodoo Doughnut at least once.
- Spend a day wandering Washington Park.
- Visit the Saturday Market.
- Hike to the top of Mount Tabor.
- Take a brewery tour.
- Photograph waterfalls in the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area.
- Find peace at the Lan Su Chinese Garden.
- Explore art galleries, shops, breweries and restaurants in the Pearl District.
- Get nostalgic at a roller rink.
- Watch a race at Portland International Raceway.

## Where to Stay

Portland has an abundance of upscale accommodations to enhance your journey.

Here are some of the best:

- **The Nines:** This [luxury hotel](#) set in the heart of downtown offers rooftop views, original artwork in all rooms and four dining options, including modern Asian cuisine and farm-to-table dishes.
- **Hotel deLuxe:** Are you a fan of classic cinema? Consider staying at [Hotel deLuxe](#), which was designed to reflect old Hollywood glamour. Here you can enjoy signature cocktails, views of Washington Park and classic film screenings.
- **Sentinel:** Sentinel is [set in two historic buildings](#) — the former Seward Hotel, built in 1909, and Elks Lodge. Stay here for its elegant architecture and two fine-dining restaurants.
- **Kimpton RiverPlace Hotel:** If you'd enjoy staying right on the Willamette River, consider [Kimpton RiverPlace Hotel](#). This hotel offers elegant and inviting rooms, waterfront views and in-room spa treatments.



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If you've been putting off a summer vacation, it's time to move it high on your to-do list. Studies show that taking a break is vital to your well-being, such as this [past Gallup study](#). According to Gallup's research, individuals who make \$24,000 or less a year and take regular vacations have greater well-being than those who make five times as much but don't make time to rest and relax. So, whether you're craving sandy beaches, towering mountains or electrifying cities, it's time to treat yourself to the vacation you deserve.

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## Thank You!

Thank you for downloading our guide to Booking Your Summer Travel Plans. After a long, hectic year, you owe yourself a fun and relaxing summer vacation. One way to travel completely stress-free and with utmost comfort is to charter a private jet. While you could fly first class to enjoy a cozy flight, traveling in a private jet is luxury at its best.

If you're not sure how to begin planning a summer vacation with a private jet, we're excited to help you.

In this guide, we cover everything you need to know about flying a private jet to your summer getaway, such as:

- The benefits of flying private
- How to charter a private jet
- Which airports private jets use
- Top destinations to fly to in a private jet

Are you eager to take the next flight to your dream locale? You don't have to wait another moment to start your journey. At GrandView Aviation, we offer on-demand flights from [multiple locations](#) in the United States. Contact us now to [learn more](#) about our private jet services or [request a quote](#).

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