

Special points of interest:

- Use online resources such as *ORBITZ* to travel and still save.
- Learn how to find special offers for mature adults through organizations such as *Exploritas* (formerly known as *Elderhostel*). Go to [www.exploritas.org/default.asp](http://www.exploritas.org/default.asp) for more information.
- Go to [www.visitnj.org/my-nj-trip/home](http://www.visitnj.org/my-nj-trip/home) to click the ticket icon at the lower right corner of the home page to access travel discounts on NJ businesses!
- Go to [www.essortment.com/travel/frugal\\_vacation\\_scap.htm](http://www.essortment.com/travel/frugal_vacation_scap.htm) to get some tips on budget vacationing.
- If you really want that overseas vacation now, [http://goeurope.about.com/cs/travelbasics/a/saving\\_money.htm](http://goeurope.about.com/cs/travelbasics/a/saving_money.htm) can offer some frugal tips to travelers with European wanderlust.



A country road in the Pine Barrens of New Jersey is shown here.

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# Budget Trip Resources

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## Overview

**Are you waiting for a special deal on an American or European vacation trip to celebrate your 30th wedding anniversary? Do you want a fun family respite without breaking the bank? Interested in in-state trips only but don't know what would suit you? Have you ever heard of *Lonely Planet* in regard to vacationing, but haven't had a chance to check it out? Do you need a convenient exchange rate web site to calculate the differences between the U.S. Dollar (USD) and, for instance, the Euro (EUR) before you take that long-awaited cruise? Do you want to bone up on Spanish, Italian, or French travel phrases but don't want to spend hundreds of dollars on programs such as *Rosetta Stone* to absorb "just the basics"?**

**For all of your vacation and daytrip needs, *The Plainfield Public Library* can start you off on the right track. We have everything from vacation guidebooks to foreign language dictionaries and audio books. We can also demonstrate to you via our *Reference Department* how to find web sites of interest, from exchange rate sites to travel sites to tourist bureaus. Enjoy your vacation, wherever you are bound for!**



*Bermuda is a destination which is only about 775 miles overseas from the New York metropolitan area. It was originally an English settlement in the New World, the third most successful.*

*Bermuda offers travelers beautiful beaches and lovely historical buildings, such as St. Peter's Church, the oldest surviving Anglican and oldest used Protestant church in the Western Hemisphere.*

## Highlighted Resources on Budget Vacationing

- [www.orbitz.com](http://www.orbitz.com)
- <http://gobudgettravel.com>
- <http://njmonthly.com>
- *Backroads, New Jersey: Driving at the Speed of Life*, published by Rutgers University Press, call # NJ 917.49 D11 (2 copies in Adult Non-fiction and NJ Circulating Collection)
- *Frommer's European Cruises and Ports of Call*, published by IDG Books Worldwide, Inc., call # 914 FRO 2006
- *The Smart Traveler's Passport*, by Erik Torkells, call # 910.202 TOR 2007



Go to [visitnj.org](http://visitnj.org) on the WWW to research vacation options right here in the State of New Jersey!

*"Travel is fatal to prejudice, bigotry, and narrow-mindedness."*



Mark Twain



On Hawaii's **Big Island**, you will encounter active volcanoes in **Hawaii Volcanoes National Park**.

From the New York metropolitan area to Honolulu International Airport, it is 4,964 miles as the crow flies.

Enjoy unusual nature experiences, take a horseback ride, or lounge on the beaches!

## Books

- *Moon Handbooks: New Jersey*, published by Avalon Travel Pub., call # NJR 917.49 MOO
- *New Jersey's African American Visitors Guide*, by The New Jersey Commerce & Economic Growth Commission, Office of Travel & Tourism, call # NJR 917.49 NEW 2005 (in the Archives Collection)
- *Europe Off the Wall: A Guide to Unusual Sights*, by Anneli S. Rufus, call # 914.04 R83
- *Mexico's Pacific Coast*, published by Lonely Planet Publications, call # 917. 217 MEX
- *Safari Adventure*, by Dick Houston, call # 916.76 H81

## Articles

- *Fly For Less*. Rapacon, Stacy. Kiplinger's Personal Finance; Feb2010, Vol. 64 Issue 2, p79-81, 3p, 1 Chart.
- *Ride the Rails*. Brody, Samantha. Scholastic Parent & Child; Oct2007, Vol. 15 Issue 2, p19-19, 1/2p.
- *Europe, U.K. for the Frugal Traveler*. Tobin, Lucy. Toronto Star (Canada); 04/09/2009.
- *Heading South for Hot Deals*. Higgins, Michelle. New York Times; 10/18/2009, p3, 0p.
- *Elderhostel Changes Name, If Not Image, to Exploritas*. Kalsen, Sally. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette (PA); 10/01/2009.

## Online Resources

- [www.exploritas.org](http://www.exploritas.org)
- [www.aarp.org/leisure/travel](http://www.aarp.org/leisure/travel)
- [www.orbitz.com](http://www.orbitz.com)
- [www.lonelyplanet.com](http://www.lonelyplanet.com)
- [www.randmcnally.com](http://www.randmcnally.com)
- [www.xe.com/ucc](http://www.xe.com/ucc)
- <http://traveler.nationalgeographic.com>
- [www.travelocity.com](http://www.travelocity.com)
- [www.fodors.com](http://www.fodors.com)
- [www.frommers.com](http://www.frommers.com)
- [www.affordabletours.com](http://www.affordabletours.com)
- [www.statravel.com](http://www.statravel.com)
- [www.independenttraveler.com](http://www.independenttraveler.com)
- [www.getawaytoday.com](http://www.getawaytoday.com)