



5 Ideas for a Memorable Summer Getaway

Planning another trip to the beach for the fifth year in a row? While it's hard to say no to sun, sand, and Mai Tais, there are so many other possibilities for a memorable summer vacation. Mix things up this year with one of the following summer getaway ideas.



1. Go camping (or glamping).

Take your day trip for a hike or bike ride to the next level by pitching a tent and staying the night, or the weekend. Relish the outdoors by spending evenings by the campfire and days on the trails, or if roughing it is not for you, try glamping (glamorous camping). Glamping is the newest trend in camping that combines the outdoor experience with the comfort and amenities of a luxury vacation. Get your glamp on by renting a lodge, treehouse, yurt, safari tent, or even an old school campervan.



2. Take a road trip.

Discover America on the legendary "Mother Road," Route 66. America's most famous highway will take you through eight states and past many historic attractions. Visit the World's Largest Rocking Chair in Cuba, Missouri, or take a pit stop in Amarillo, Texas to see the colorful car burial ground, Cadillac Ranch, and spray paint your own work of art on one of the 10 classic Cadillacs. For an even bigger adventure, check out the Oregon Trail, which brings you coast to coast from Oregon to Massachusetts. Don't forget to pick out your must-see attractions before you leave, and look up events going on in the areas you are driving through. Maybe you'll get lucky and get to stop at a state fair along your drive.



3. Go on a cruise.

Looking for a vacation filled with luxury? A cruise is where it's at. For family fun, try a Disney Cruise, where your kids will stay busy at the on-board waterparks and live Disney shows, and you'll have time to relax at the spa. For breathtaking scenery and fascinating wildlife, book an Alaskan cruise, where you're sure to spot whales, bald eagles, and even a grizzly bear or two, while traveling alongside glaciers, fjords, waterfalls, and mountains. For a luxurious tropical vacation, check out a Caribbean cruise, where you can lounge on some of the world's most popular sand beaches (and sip on that long-awaited Mai Tai).



4. Plan a food excursion.

If you consider yourself a true foodie, let your taste buds guide your next adventure. Pinpoint your must-try culinary hotspots and plan your trip around them. For the wine lovers, try a wine country tour in California's Napa Valley or Sonoma County, which typically includes transportation to different wineries in the area, along with a variety of wine tastings and food pairings.



5. Do a staycation.

Can't get away this summer? There are plenty of ways to make your summer unforgettable from the comfort of your own home. Kick your feet up and get some rest, or tackle some around-the-house projects you've been wanting to get done. If you want to add an element of fun, take your family to a new museum park or restaurant and become tourists in your own town.



Key Dates In June

June 14: Flag Day

June 18: Father's Day

June 19: Juneteenth

June 20: First Day of Summer



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