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3 Essential Tips for Traveling Privately During the Holidays

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During the holiday season private jet activity increases by 30%-60% compared to the rest of year.

Popular destinations include Aspen, Jackson Hole, Los Cabos, St. Maarten, St. Barths, and other “off the grid” locations that can be challenging to reach. With aircraft supply remaining relatively the same, how will you be sure the right aircraft to meet your holiday travel needs is available?

- Will you be paying too much?
- Does the flight crew have experience at the airports you’ll be using?
- How much luggage does the aircraft hold?

Here are 3 tips that will help avoid any surprises on the runway!





1. Plan Ahead

Sometimes there are deep discounts for booking last minute flights—This is NOT one of those times! Whether you are in a membership program or chose to use on-demand charter, there are two general risks with booking last minute this year.

First, the best equipment is generally booked well in advance by charter, membership, and fractional providers for their regular clients. You may end up having to settle for a jet that doesn't meet your expectations. It may be very difficult—and expensive—to find late model aircraft with the amenities you prefer or need.

Second, you may end up paying very high repositioning costs to have a jet come pick you up. By waiting until the last minute, many of the available aircraft will already be at popular destinations, meaning that the aircraft will likely need to fly back empty to pick you up—and that adds cost. Save yourself headaches and money by proactively scheduling your aircraft.

We recommend locking in your flight by October for any travel between the following dates:

November: 22nd-28th

December: 16th- 31st

January: 1st-2nd

Jet membership or a fractional share will reduce the heartburn of holiday travel. While you'll likely pay a premium for traveling on "high peak" travel days, it's minimal compared to long the cost of long repositioning legs, or having to settle for something last minute due to lack of availability.



2. Pack Smart

The amount of luggage you choose to bring on your trip this year can mean a difference of thousands of dollars, and more importantly, extended delays on the ramp trying to figure out what to do with the excess baggage.

Communicate with your consultant what you would like to bring on your trip **BEFORE** you start looking at options.

If you have an assigned Flight Support Team, make them aware of any large items like skis, boxes, car seats, trunks, etc. that you plan on bringing along.

The average luggage capacity for a mid-size jet is roughly 60 cubic feet—or 6-8 suitcases. For a family of 5 traveling, excess luggage can mean having to step up to a super-mid or large cabin aircraft just for the baggage space, which will increase your cost. Work with your provider and communicate your needs to help them plan accordingly. Most can even arrange to have additional luggage shipped to your location in advance to avoid needing a larger jet.





3. Know Your Provider

During peak travel times, working with a discount or low-cost provider can lead to major disappointments and headaches. Does your provider have the right personnel and infrastructure in place to proactively plan your flight? If your salesperson is responsible for every aspect of your flight, that could mean major trouble. Look for companies that staff an office 24 hours, 7 days a week and throughout the holidays. They will be better suited to proactively deal with any issues and communication, making your whole experience much easier.

You'll also want to know that weather tracking, airport delays, pilot experience, and many other factors that affect your trip are being looked at. We recommend providers that have either certified dispatchers or pilots in-house reviewing this information. If working with an on-demand broker, ask about their safety standards, accreditations, and details on their preferred vendor network.

Find out what their requirements are for flight crew experience and who performs their due diligence.

Now that summer is over, the Holiday season is quickly approaching. The good news is, you still have some time to ensure that this special time spent with friends and family is as seamless and enjoyable as possible.

Happy Travels!





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Magellan Jets does not own or operate aircraft, instead, we recommend the best positioned aircraft on each and every trip that our clients take. We take great pride in providing the best value to our clients using technology to locate the right aircraft from Magellan Jets Preferred Network (MJPN). All approved vendors in our network are FAA Part 135 air taxi operators, and are also required to adhere to safety requirements set forth by Wyvern and/or ARG/US, the leading 3rd party safety auditing firms in the country. Providing the safest and most experienced aircraft and flight crews in the private aviation industry, while providing competitive rates, is what sets Magellan Jets apart from the competition.