

Ten Different Types of Travel

1. The Weekend Break

You can travel by taking short weekend getaways. Look for cheap airfare deals, fly out on Friday evening and return on Sunday and make the most of the short time you have.

2. The Package Holiday

The beauty of a package holiday is that all the work is done for you. You simply pick which beautiful beach you would like to be lounging on and your travel agent will make sure that everything is arranged. This is not one of the types of travel where you learn a lot about another culture or get to know the locals. It's all about spending a week or two having the time of your life in paradise.

3. The Group Tour

Group tours can describe busloads of 20-year-olds who want to party to groups of 80 year olds who want to visit historical monuments. No matter what your interest there is a group tour out there for you. Your itinerary is usually packed with many different activities so you will never be bored.

4. The Caravan/ RV Road Trip

When you own a caravan you will always have the option for a cheap holiday and whenever you get a free weekend you can pack up and drive somewhere new. This is a great way to explore the natural beauty that lies close to home and is also one of the most child friendly types of travel.

5. Volunteer Travel

Whether you are helping to build a school in Africa, volunteering on an organic farm in Italy or working in an orphanage in Cambodia, volunteering around the world is another one of the popular types of travel. While volunteering can be an incredibly rewarding experience, it's important to know that your efforts are really adding value to the community that you are visiting.

6. Long Term Slow Travel

Long term slow travel is when you take several months or years to make your way around the world, staying in each location for long enough to really soak up the culture. Rather than other short term types of travel, long term travel often becomes more of a lifestyle choice.

7. The Gap Year

A Gap Year is when you take a year off usually to work, volunteer or study in another country. A Gap Year trip isn't as much about what you do on your trip, it's the fact that you are traveling for a longer period of time that differentiates it from other types of travel.

8. Visiting Friends or Relatives

Another one of the many types of travel is when you go to visit friends and family who live abroad. Because you have someone to stay with, you can probably afford to stay a longer than you could otherwise. You'll get the insider perspective on the culture that comes with staying with a local.

9. Event Travel

This is when you travel to a destination specifically to attend an event. It might also include attending a music festival or following your favorite band around on tour.

10. Business Travel

The best thing about traveling for business is that usually your company is footing the bill. Being paid to fly first class and stay in luxurious hotels is a great way to see the world. You may consider adding on an extra day to your trip at your own expense. That way, you can spend more time exploring the city and combine your business trip with a mini-vacation.