

7 Cheap Warm Weather Destinations for 2022

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We're so over cold temperatures, snow, and winter in general. If you're ready to get summer started early, take a look at this list of affordable warm weather destinations to visit this year. With hotel prices this inexpensive, you'll have plenty of money leftover for sunscreen and swimsuit shopping.

In order to find budget warm weather escapes, [Priceline](#) analyzed data for travel in February to find the destinations with affordable hotel rooms.

Panama City, Florida (\$106 Average Daily Rate)

Famed for its white sand beaches and nonstop nightlife, Panama City is a popular spot for spring breakers. Get away from the crowds at Panama City Beach and head to St. Andrews State Park instead, which offers pristine beaches, birdwatching, and hiking trails through forests and dunes.

Our Hotel Pick: [The Holiday Inn Resort Panama City Beach](#) has an unbeatable beachfront location right in the heart of Panama City.

St. Augustine, Florida (\$191 Average Daily Rate)

The Old City, as St. Augustine is nicknamed, was founded by Spanish settlers in 1565—meaning travelers will find historic charm and European style throughout this Florida city. In addition to beautiful beaches, there are monuments, museums, and forts to explore.

Our Hotel Pick: Base yourself in the sprawling (144 blocks) historic district at the [Hilton St. Augustine Historic Bayfront Hotel](#).

Galveston, Texas (\$193 Average Daily Rate)

Located on a barrier island just 50 miles from Houston, Galveston is full of charm in the form of historic architecture, trolleys, and boutique shops. There's plenty to do here aside from the beach—start with a self-guided tour of [Galveston's Freedom Walk](#), where you'll visit five historic sites.

Our Hotel Pick: A stay at [Moody Gardens Hotel Spa and Convention Center](#) will feel like a true escape. Set amidst 242 acres of tropical gardens, the property features a living rainforest, aquarium, swim-up bar, jogging track, and 3-D theater.

Puerto Vallarta, Mexico (\$256 Average Daily Rate)

Can't decide between a beach or mountain vacation? Have both at Puerto Vallarta, where the towering Sierra Madre mountains overlook sunny beaches. Spend a day (or your whole vacation) at Conchas Chinas Beach where the mountains meet the sand.

Our Hotel Pick: Stay in the middle of all the action with a hotel on the bustling Malecon. This boardwalk begins at [Hotel Rosita](#), a historic property that dates back to 1948.

Honolulu, Hawaii (\$279 Average Daily Rate)

Hawaii is a bucket-list destination for many travelers, and Honolulu makes a great jumping off point to explore this diverse state. Start in Honolulu and then work your way around the island of Oahu, or make it a multi-island tour.

Our Hotel Pick: With rates around \$169 a night, and a prime location just one block away from Waikiki Beach, the [Hotel Renew](#) is the best budget hotel in Honolulu.

Fort Lauderdale, Florida (\$299 Average Daily Rate)

Gondola rides, historic districts, and museums—is this Italy or Florida? Of course you'll find all the typical Florida draws in Fort Lauderdale as well—including beautiful beaches, a beachfront promenade, and a historic riverfront.

Our Hotel Pick: For a unique Fort Lauderdale experience, check in to [B Ocean Resort](#), where you can see an underwater mermaid performance on the weekends.

Santa Monica, California (\$305 Average Daily Rate)

Located just 15 miles west of downtown Los Angeles, Santa Monica offers the perfect blend of beach relaxation and city entertainment. Of course, if you want to avoid that famous LA traffic altogether, there's no reason to venture outside Santa Monica—there are four miles of beaches, hundreds of restaurants (including a few with Michelin stars), the world famous Santa Monica Pier, and a 22 mile bike trail to explore.

Our Hotel Pick: The [Wyndham Santa Monica at the Pier](#) is set just across the street from the iconic pier.