

# Airline Deals

Plaza de Cibeles, Madrid



**IBERIA AIRLINES** is selling seats on its flights from New York to Madrid for \$134 each way with round-trip purchase. These fares are valid seven days a week until December 14, 2008, and again from January 1 through March 23, 2009. The advance purchase is three days. The minimum stay requirement is a Saturday night and the maximum is 30 days. There is no children's discount with this fare. Tickets are nonrefundable, and changes cost \$162.

For further information and reservations, contact your travel agent or visit [www.iberia.com](http://www.iberia.com).

■ **SKYTEAM** has a new China Pass available for travelers to mainland China. The pass starts at \$330 for three coupons, each valid for an intra-China flight. You must buy a minimum of three coupons, and up to a maximum of nine. In low season, three coupons cost \$330, and nine coupons cost \$845. Low season is November 1 through January 10, February 11 through March 31, and May 1 through June 30. High-season fares (dates other than above) are \$410 for three coupons and \$1055 for nine coupons. The normal airfare for these sectors would be approximately \$200 per coupon.

To qualify for the pass, you must arrive in China on any of the 11 SkyTeam members. All travel on the China Pass within China is on China Southern Airlines. There is no minimum stay requirement, and the

maximum stay is 60 days. You must book your first flight at least three days prior to your international flight to China. All other coupons can remain open. All travel is in economy class.

For further information and reservations, contact your travel agent or visit [www.skyteam.com](http://www.skyteam.com).

■ **FINNAIR** has special fares between New York and Delhi via its hub in Helsinki. The business-class fare is \$1950 each way with round-trip purchase. The advance purchase is three

days, and there is no minimum or maximum stay requirement. The fare currently has no expiration date. Children 2-11 save 25 percent. There is no penalty to change reservations, but to cancel the ticket would cost you 50 percent of the fare. A stopover in Helsinki is permitted. In economy class, the fare is \$275 each way with round-trip purchase and is valid until December 9, 2008. The advance purchase is three days. The minimum stay requirement is a Saturday night and the maximum is two months. Children 2-11 save 25 percent. No stopovers are permitted. Tickets are nonrefundable, and no changes are permitted once ticketed.

For further information and reservations, contact your travel agent or visit [www.finnair.com](http://www.finnair.com).

■ **CHINA AIRLINES** has a low business-class one-way fare from Los Angeles to Taipei. The \$2200 fare has no advance purchase, no minimum and no maximum stay requirement. No stopovers are permitted. Children 2-11 save 25 percent. There are no penalties to cancel or change tickets. Tickets may be purchased one way or round-trip. For \$200 to \$300 more, you can fly China Airlines beyond Taipei with the same liberal rules. This fare is valid all year with no current expiration date.

For further information and reservations, contact your travel agent or visit [www.china-airlines.com](http://www.china-airlines.com).

■ **ASIANA AIRLINES** has a special fare from Los Angeles to Singapore. The economy-class fare is \$321 each way with round-trip purchase. The fare is valid Sundays through Thursdays until November 30, 2008. The fare returns from December 24, 2008 through May 4, 2009. The advance purchase requirement is seven days. There is no minimum stay requirement, and the maximum stay is three months. No free stopovers are allowed. Children 2-11 save 25 percent. The penalty is \$100 to change the ticket and \$150 to cancel it.

For further information and reservations, contact your travel agent or visit [www.flyasiana.com](http://www.flyasiana.com).

■ **AIR CANADA** has a low economy-class fare from New York to Hong Kong via its hubs in Toronto and Vancouver. The fare is \$314 each way with round trip purchase and is valid Mondays through Thursdays until December 11, 2008. The advance purchase requirement is seven days. The minimum stay is six days and the maximum is 30 days. Stopovers are not permitted. Children 2-11 save 25 percent. These tickets are nonrefundable, and changes will cost \$200.

For further information and reservations, contact your travel agent or visit [www.aircanada.com](http://www.aircanada.com).

■ **EL AL ISRAEL AIRLINES** is offering business-class seats on its flights between New York and Tel Aviv for \$1499.50 each way with roundtrip purchase. This fare is valid seven days a week until March 31, 2009. The fare is blacked out from December 17 through December 24, 2008. There is no advance purchase requirement. The minimum stay is a Saturday night and the maximum is 60 days. One free stopover is permitted in Europe. The penalty to change or cancel these tickets is \$400. There is no discount for children with this fare.

For further information and reservations, contact your travel agent or visit [www.elal.co.il](http://www.elal.co.il).

—Howard Weiss