



Climb on Pullman car in Chicago, arrive in Miami for a one-time deal



Pullman Rail Journeys uses restored Pullman cars for its excursions from Chicago. (Pullman Rail Journeys)

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Here are some of the more interesting deals, websites and other travel tidbits that came across our desk recently:

•Pullman Rail Journeys is offering a one-time rail journey from Chicago to Florida aboard restored Pullman cars. The train leaves Chicago's Union Station the night of Dec. 27 and arrives at its southernmost point, Miami, the night of Dec. 29. Rail-only can be arranged, or it's possible to book a package that includes lodging at the Grand Floridian in Orlando, the Chesterfield in Palm Beach or The Biltmore in Coral Gables. 888-978-5563, tinyurl.com/qy457xf

•Adventures on the Gorge, near Fayetteville, W.Va., has lodging rates reduced as much as 48 percent from now through March 31. For instance, Sportsman Cabins that are \$189 per night in peak season are as low as \$99. To see rates, go to tinyurl.com/pqwd45h and click on Learn More for each type of lodging.

•Avoya Travel has a seven-night Caribbean cruise on Carnival Cruises that departs from Miami Jan. 4 priced from \$329 per person double occupancy. Port stops include Nassau, Bahamas; St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands; San Juan, Puerto Rico; and Grand Turk in the Turks and Caicos. 888-342-2815, tinyurl.com/ncaxxxd

•Sea Island resort in Georgia is adding 63 rooms to The Cloister. To celebrate, guests who stay at least three nights will get their third night for \$63 for stays through February. 855-572-4975, tinyurl.com/lqp54ho

•Book three days of skiing and lodging at participating Utah hotels and get the fourth day of skiing and lodging free. The Ski City Super Pass is good at Alta, Brighton, Snowbird or Solitude. tinyurl.com/oxoyvrf

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•Get a catalog from Trek Travel showing their 2015 bike trips at tinyurl.com/pagu432.

•Camperbug offers information on VW camper van rentals in the UK and on the Continent. camperbug.co.uk

•Finnair will start flying from Helsinki to Chicago next summer, from June 13-Oct. 17. Flights will operate on Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays. tinyurl.com/m9rf6ml

•You could win a four-day/four-night trip for two to Jackson Hole Mountain Resort in Wyoming by entering at tinyurl.com/plq3a8t.

•Act quickly. You have until midnight Dec. 1 to enter for a chance to win a two-week Colombia trip through G.Adventures. tinyurl.com/oak57tr

•The Moors and Christians Fiesta will be Feb. 2-5 in Bocairent, Spain, in the province of Valencia. tinyurl.com/nrkmkwa

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