



10 Best Winter Vacation Destinations for Families

Get rid of the winter blahs with a family-friendly getaway sure to please every member of your crew.

Feel a case of the winter blues coming on? It's time to start planning a family vacation. Whether you're eager for a ski vacation, a tropical escape or a week filled with water parks, we've got you covered. Here are 10 winter vacation ideas for families that have snow, surf and sand, even sailing and skating on their mind. Best of all, these winter getaways are just right for bonding as a family and escaping the winter doldrums, if only for a week.



Clearwater Beach, Florida

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Let the winter blahs drift away on sugar-white sands at Clearwater Beach, the **top-rated beach in America** according to TripAdvisor. Set out in search of bottlenose dolphins in the Gulf of Mexico's emerald green waters on a two-hour catamaran cruise with **Tropics Boat Tours**. In the evening, Pier 60 is known for colorful sunsets and a nightly festival that features local artisans, live music, stilt walkers and magicians. Visit Winter the Dolphin from the *Dolphin Tale* movies at the **Clearwater Marine Aquarium**. Book a stay next door in a marine-themed room at the **Wyndham Grand Clearwater Beach**. For roller coasters, **Busch Gardens Tampa** is a short 45-minute drive.