



Travel, Tours and Post Event – Session Summary

This workshop at IST Weekend 1 covered three key areas:

- Information about travel (including the options available to you);
- The optional Additional Tours available from Travel Places; and
- and the Post Event for IST.

Travel:

Details are still being finalised. For those selecting Option A or B you are being asked to consider which regional airport you would prefer to fly from. Following the IST Weekend you will be asked to express your preference for your departure airport through [EventsAir](#).

Departure airports are subject to availability of flights and your choice of optional Additional Tours.

Travel options:

There are four options available for you to choose from as a member of the UK IST. More details about these can be found [here](#):

Option A: Jamboree and IST Post Event in Washington D.C., including all flights and North American internal transfers provided from UK regional airports.

Option B: Jamboree, including all flights and internal transfers provided from UK regional airports.

Option C: Jamboree only. IST must get themselves to a Jamboree organisers entry points and from the exit point.

Option D: Jamboree and IST Post Event in Washington D.C. This option includes travel from the Jamboree site to Washington D.C. for the Post Event. IST must get themselves to a JOT entry point and the exit point will be Washington D.C

IST must have submitted their final choice by 30 June 2018 through EventsAir.





Optional Additional Tours:

There are seven different Additional Tours available to you being run by travel provider Travel Places. Details of each tour can be found on the [Additional Tours Page](#). These tours are open to IST selecting travel options A, C and D.

If you have questions following the weekend Travel Places are happy to answer your queries either by [email](#) or phone: 01903 832861.

TRAVEL PLACES
WSJ19 IST MEMBERS
ADDITIONAL
TOUR OPTIONS
 5 NIGHTS DURATION | AUGUST 2019*

- Boston & New York**
 Discover Boston, the oldest city in America before visiting the bright lights of the greatest city on earth, New York.
- Orlando & Miami**
 Experience the theme park capital of the world before soaking up the sun on Miami Beach.
- Memphis & Nashville**
 Celebrate the sights and sounds of two legendary world famous 'music' hotspots.
- West Coast USA - San Francisco, Yosemite & Las Vegas**
 The Classic West Coast experience complete with awe-inspiring National Parks, the iconic sites of San Francisco and the vibrant night life of Vegas.
- Canada - Toronto, Ottawa & Montreal**
(inc. Niagara Falls)
 Discover the most celebrated sites of the Canadian East Coast.
- Mexico - Cancun & Mayan Empire**
 Enjoy a relaxed tour combining ancient history and world famous beaches.
- Mexico - Mexico City & Puebla**
 Based in Mexico's cultural capital explore and awaken your taste buds with the culinary scene.

For more information take a look at the WSJ IST Zone on the [UK Contingent Website](#).

*Dates will be confirmed when the Jamboree Organisers and UK Contingent have confirmed IST plans as part of the main event programme.

Logos for Jamboree, ABTA, and IATA are visible at the bottom of the poster.



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Our fantastic Post Event

By choosing options A or D you are in for a fantastic experience. Included in the Post Event are:

- Two nights' accommodation.
- All Meals
- Travel to Washington D.C. from the Jamboree site and to Washington International airport (or the start of your Travel Places tour) at the end.
- Metro travel card.
- An evening celebration event exclusively for IST on Post Event.
- Support from CST as you develop your own special memory.
- Insurance for the event.

The rest is up to you...

IST are challenged to form small interest groups (of about six people) and over the coming 14 months plan and prepare for the experience of a lifetime – something that money can't buy and which would not be available to an ordinary tourist. Think Big, think Amazing.

We're looking at ways to help you collaborate and support each other in the planning of your experience and we'll provide more information on this after the summer.

What are you passionate about? What's your hobby or interest? Would you like to have tea at the White House or play American football with the Washington Redskins? Don't hold back!

Remember, as a small team, your challenge is to design a truly unique experience in and around Washington DC that will form your personal memories for years to come.





IST Options C & D – Organising Your Own Travel

If you're thinking of going it alone and organising your own travel we have put a little guide together to help you out. Please remember that if you are organising your own travel you must make your way to the site directly or to one of the three entry points:

- Charlotte Douglas Airport (CLT), Charlotte, North Carolina.
- Yeager Airport (CRW), Charleston, West Virginia.
- Prince Amtrak Railway Station, Prince, West Virginia.

For those on Option D travel from the Jamboree site to the Post Event is included in your UK Contingent fee.

Transatlantic Flights

Can be purchased through a travel agent or use one of the web travel search engines to find the best deal.

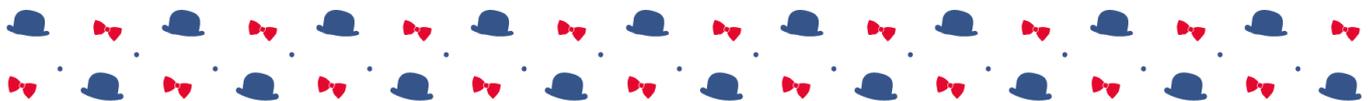
Price examples for this summer:

Belfast – Boston = £ 240 (+ baggage & meals) or London – Charlotte North Carolina = £1000

WWW.SKYSCANNER.NET | WWW.CHEAPFLIGHTS.CO.UK | WWW.KAYAK.CO.UK | WWW.EXPEDIA.CO.UK

Tips:

1. Try to be flexible on travel dates.
2. If you have time to spare and don't mind several stops en-route to your destination and hanging around airports deselect the "direct flights" option. These routes are generally cheaper.
3. If you are on a budget, consider flying with one of the airlines that gives you more cost choices (NORWEGIAN, WOW, ICELANDIC, THOMAS COOK etc.) but don't forget the seating choice, baggage, and inflight catering costs can soon add up. These airlines only have so many cheaper seats so the earlier you book the better.
4. We will be flying at the busiest time of the year, so expect delays at the major hubs such as Heathrow and Gatwick. Or fly from a regional airport to a European hub (Amsterdam, Paris or Dublin) for onward transatlantic flights.





Travelling around the USA by Train & Bus

Our advice is book direct or use travel search engines for deals. Check out this website for a start: www.wanderu.com

- **BY TRAIN** - www.amtrak.com

Unfortunately, the rail network in the U.S.A. is not as user friendly as the European one. However, AMTRAK do have rail passes if this is an option you are considering. Price example for this summer:

N.York – Charleston West Virginia (one way) = \$81 (14 hours , 2 x transfers)

- **BUS** - www.greyhound.com

There are some regional bus services but Greyhound buses have the most extensive National route network in the U.S.A. with cheap travel prices. Most Greyhound stations are in the downtown area of cities, so you need to take the normal precautions you would with any major city. Greyhound offer discounts for students and have free WiFi. Price example for this summer:

N.York – Beckley West Virginia (one way) = \$83 (17 hours , 2 x transfers)

- **CAR HIRE**

A very cost-effective and flexible way to travel in the U.S if you want to share the costs and see some of the country with friends. Book direct with the companies or use web travel search engines. One-way hire charges can be very expensive and drivers under the age of 25 incur surcharges.

www.alamo.com | www.hertz.com | www.avis.com | www.budget.com





Tips:

1. If you want to save on hotels get an overnight Greyhound bus service.
2. Not fixed on where you want to go? Get a Greyhound Discovery pass which gives you unlimited travel and stopovers and can be purchased for anything from 4 to 30 days.
3. Watch your personal items - Greyhound have had problems with stolen luggage.
4. Register an account with some of the car hire companies for offers, you may also be offered upgrades when booking.
5. If buying before you go, check the small print to ensure you know what extras you may have to pay at the desk on collection.
6. Make sure you take the GPS option for car hire.
7. Be aware - fuel prices can vary greatly within an area.

Internal Flights Within the U.S.A.

As with the European market, the larger the airport the more flight options there are. Most large city airports are served by at least one of the Major US Airlines (American, Delta and United) and one of the low cost airlines (Southwest, JetBlue, Frontier and Spirit). The major airlines generally charge \$25 per trip for checked bags within the US. There is no standard rule for baggage with the low-cost airlines. Southwest do free checked bags, on JetBlue you pay for checked baggage, and although Frontier airlines do have good value basic prices, you do have to pay for checked bags and hand luggage.

- www.southwest.com - Very extensive route network including Houston, Dallas, Chicago (Midway) and Baltimore to Charlotte N.C.
- www.JetBlue.com - Large network including New York and Boston to Charlotte N.C.
- www.frontier.com – Big network including Austin, Chicago, Orlando, Denver, Philadelphia, Trenton and Providence R.I. to Charlotte N.C.





Tips:

1. Register with the low-cost airlines to get their offers.
2. Check the carry-on baggage size/weight restrictions for each airline you are flying with, as they are not always standard.
3. Remember you are allowed one personal item (ladies' handbag, small laptop bag or duty bag) but if it is too big it will be deemed as carry-on and may incur charges.
4. Leave yourself with plenty of time between connecting flights to allow for delays especially from an internal flight to an International flight as you will probably have to go through security again. If you have long stopovers between connections you can sometimes explore new places to kill time.
5. Ensure you have a return flight booked or you could find yourself in an interview room with the U.S. Border Patrol requiring you to give proof you intend to leave the U.S. on completion of your trip.
6. Be aware of the restrictions on taking agricultural products into the U.S.A. Prohibited items will be confiscated and could result in a fine.

Travel Advice

The UK Contingent Travel Advice can be accessed [here](#).

