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Yellowstone National Park in Wyoming. With Vacations by Rail, save up to \$150 per couple on nearly 20 National Parks rail vacations booked by Feb. 29. (ableimages/Alamy Stock Photo)

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Land

With Vacations by Rail, save up to \$150 per couple on nearly 20 **National Parks rail vacations** booked by Feb. 29. The **discounts are \$50 or \$75 per person**, depending on the trip. For example, America's Great National Parks vacation, which travels round trip from Chicago and visits five national parks, now starts at \$3,424 per person double — a savings of \$75, taxes included. Trip includes two nights on Amtrak; 11 nights' hotel, including three nights at Glacier Park Lodge and two nights inside Yellowstone; 22 meals; several excursions, such as a Swiftcurrent Lake cruise at Glacier National Park and a guided tour of Arches; deluxe motorcoach transportation; and more. Depart June-September. Info: 877-929-7245, vacationsbyrail.com.

Sugar Bay Resort and Spa, on **St. Thomas** in the U.S. Virgin Islands, is celebrating its \$20 million renovation with **savings of nearly 60 percent** and a spa credit. For example, for all-inclusive stays through April 15, a standard double room costs \$546 per person double a night, down from \$1,269; room-only goes for \$374, down from \$869. Taxes included. Also, book the all-inclusive plan for five nights or more and receive a \$100 spa credit. Valid through Aug. 19. Info: 340-777-7100, sugarbayresortandspa.com.

Rail Europe is offering discounts on **European rail travel. Save 20 percent** on first-class Eurostar tickets and on France and Germany rail passes; for example, the price of a three-day, second-class France rail pass that may be used anytime within a one-month period is now \$165 per adult, a savings of \$40. Also, purchase a Eurail pass and receive **free travel days**; for example, book a \$677 Eurail Global Pass in first class good for 15 days of consecutive travel in 28 countries and receive two additional travel days. Booking deadlines and travel dates vary by promotion. Info: 800-622-8600, raileurope.com.

Sea

Book a select **CroisiEurope river cruise** by March 7 and receive **50 percent off a companion fare**. For example, a six-night Holland and the Romantic Rhine cruise departing April 20 now starts at \$1,862 for the first passenger and \$931 for the second person sharing a cabin; taxes are included. The promo also applies to several other cruise itineraries in France and Italy, including a four-night Short Break in Venice cruise departing June 30, with prices starting at \$1,263 for the first passenger and \$631 for the second. Info: 800-768-7232, croisieurope.com/valentines-day-special-offers.

Air

Aer Lingus has **sale fares** from Washington **Dulles to Europe** for travel April 1-June 5. Advertised sale fare to Paris is \$949 round trip, while fare to Amsterdam and Düsseldorf, Germany, is \$999; other airlines are charging at least \$100 more. Fares even lower than advertised can be found via the airline's website. Blackout dates are May 17-28 for departures and May 18-22 for returns; a Saturday-night minimum stay is required. Book by Feb. 24 at aerlingus.com.

Package

Alexander+Roberts is offering **two-for-one airfare** for its Ancient Crossroads tour to **Albania, Greece and Macedonia**. For example, for the Sept. 19 departure, airfare from Washington Dulles to Tirana, Albania, with return from Skopje, Macedonia, is \$1,427 for two people after the discount. Price for the 10-night tour is \$3,599 per person, including lodging, land transportation, 23 meals, sightseeing with entry fees, tour guide, airport transfers and taxes, for a total price starting at \$4,313 per person double. Also, solo travelers pay no tour supplement and receive \$500 in airfare savings; airfare for the Sept. 19 departure, for example, starts at \$927 round trip. Deadline to book and pay in full is Feb. 29. Info: 800-221-2216, alexanderroberts.com.

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