

Best travel contests for September 2016

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Emirates is giving away roundtrip flights and a five-day trip to Dubai, plus a party for your office. (Photo: Karim Sahib, AFP/Getty Images)

It's time to get competitive with your fellow travelers and enter these sweepstakes offers. Who knows? You could get lucky and be winging your way somewhere exciting soon.

KLM rewards good photographers. If you take good photos, KLM wants to see them. Simply upload images to <https://photocompetition.klm.com/home/intro> between now and the end of the year. Each month features a special theme for the judges. The grand prize, two economy class tickets anywhere that KLM flies, is chosen from among the monthly winners, which will be featured in KLM's Holland Herald magazine and rewarded with other gifts.

Sleep in Super Bowl stadium the night before big game. Courtyard by Marriott is bringing back its popular sweepstakes that gives NFL fans the chance to spend the night at the NRG Stadium the night before the Super Bowl. Decked out to look like a Courtyard by Marriott guest room, the private suite for two has a view of the field. To enter the sweepstakes, share a favorite NFL fan photo on Twitter or Instagram using #CourtyardSuperBowlContest between now and Nov. 4

Discovery Map is calling all Instagram travel fans. The colorful, cartoon-like Discovery Maps found in more than 100 destinations across North America are popping up on Instagram. Between now and March 2017, Discovery Map is giving away a \$100 Visa gift card each month to one lucky sweepstakes winner that posts a photo from a Discovery Map destination with #discoverymap. <https://discoverymap.com/instagram>

United is giving away a billion miles. Enter this sweepstakes for your chance to win big-time United MileagePlus miles. Until Sept. 30, MileagePlus members have the chance to enter daily. There are 100 grand prizes of a million miles each plus \$7,500 in spending money. As if that were not enough, there are 10,000 prizes of 25,000 miles each (enough for a saver domestic award ticket) and 130,000 prizes of 5,000 miles each.

<https://www.billionmilegiveaway.com/> Those with a MileagePlus-branded credit card by Chase will also earn one entry for each purchase they make with their card at eligible retailers between now and Sept. 30.

Emirates trip to Dubai for two plus an office party. Enter until Sept. 30 for a chance to win roundtrip flights and a five-day trip to Dubai. Included in the winner's package are accommodations at either the One & Only Royal Mirage or One & Only The Palm located on the beachfront, a city tour and a sundowner dune dinner. Before you jet off to the Middle East, Emirates will throw a party for the winner's office with Middle Eastern cuisine, craft cocktails from an open bar like those served aboard the airline, and a screening from the carrier's inflight entertainment system. At least your colleagues won't be too jealous of your trip since they get to experience some of the journey.

<https://www.emiratesbigtakeoff.com/#enter>

Celebrate the balloon fiesta in Albuquerque. Enter by Sept. 18 to be eligible to win a visit to Albuquerque during the International Balloon Fiesta. Winners will receive hotel accommodations, ground transportation and a gift card that can be used for airfare. In addition to two passes for the Oct. 4-7 event, winners will also receive a hot air balloon ride plus a visit to the Anderson-Abruzzo Albuquerque International Balloon Museum.

<http://www.visitalbuquerque.org/balloon-festival/balloon-fiesta-balloon-sweepstakes.aspx>

Win tickets to a Broadway show with Swarm Challenges. Download Swarm and check in to any museum, art gallery, comedy club, concert hall, and performing arts venue three times before September 18th and you'll be entered to win a weekend in NYC that includes two tickets to a Broadway show. <https://www.swarmapp.com/>

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