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Travel deals: Ski Lake Tahoe, San Diego hotel, Chicago museums

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LAKE TAHOE

Ski free at Squaw Valley

Squaw Valley USA, a ski resort on the north shore of Lake Tahoe, Calif., is offering a [free](#) half-day lift ticket for travelers who present a same-day airline boarding pass or printed itinerary with matching photo ID. Lift tickets are valid from 1-9 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 1-7 p.m. on other days when night skiing is offered. Southwest and US Airways offer daily nonstop service between Phoenix and Reno-Tahoe International Airport, which is about an hour's drive from Squaw Valley.

Details: 800-403-0206, squaw.com.

SAN DIEGO

Third night free at Hyatt Regency Mission Bay

The Hyatt Regency Mission Bay Spa and Marina is offering a third-night free promotion through June. The "Sunshine on Sale" package, a regular Hyatt feature, starts at \$129 a night at the 430-room [San Diego](#) resort. The Hyatt has three pool and a water slide.

Details: 619-224-1234, missionbay.hyatt.com.

CHICAGO

Free admission at museums

Chicago isn't the first place most travelers think of for a winter getaway, but [museum](#) lovers will save money by going this month. Admission to the Art Institute of Chicago and the Museum of Science and Industry are free on weekdays in January. The Field Museum, Shedd Aquarium and Adler Planetarium are all free on select dates in January, and February in some cases.

Details: artic.edu; msichicago.org; fieldmuseum.org; sheddaquarium.org; adlerplanetarium.org. The city's tourism website is choosechicago.com.