



Media Release

There's never been a better time for Aussies to book an overseas trip

Sydney, December 7, 2009 – As the Aussie dollar trades at record highs, and different destinations offer discounted holidays, travel comparison site www.wego.com.au has released the top ten overseas destinations for travellers to visit and take advantage of the great exchange rate.

According to Wego, the best overseas destinations for thrifty Australians wanting to take advantage of a strong Aussie dollar as well as fantastic airfare and hotel rates currently available are:

- Fiji
- Bali
- Bangkok
- Shanghai
- Singapore
- New Zealand
- United States
- Phuket
- Canada
- Tokyo

The Aussie dollar is currently buying* around -

- 91 US cents – which, aside from the record highs of last year, is the best rate for 20 years
- 56 British pence – the best rate for 25 years
- 7.08 Hong Kong dollars – which, aside from the record highs of last year, is the best rate for 25 years
- 1.26 Singapore dollars - one of the best rates of the past 17 years
- 1.27 New Zealand dollars – one of the best rates of the past 15 years
- 3.09 Malaysian Ringgit – the best rate for over 25 years

Wego founder and chief commercial officer, Craig Hewett said, “After a busy 2009 for many and with a strong Aussie dollar - now is the time to take advantage of the great exchange rates and book that overseas trip.”

“Current figures from Wego show hotel prices and airfares for flights to Fiji make it the best overseas destination for the Aussie traveller. Four star hotels are also going at a great rate in Canada, the US and Shanghai at the moment.”

“While Aussies wanting to get the most out of their shopping dollar should consider other locations like New Zealand and Bangkok.”

“We believe countries throughout Asia are also attractive options for travellers. Most of their currencies are linked to the US dollar in some manner and a lot of excess luxury hotel rooms across the region are being heavily discounted.”

“We’re committed to giving Aussie travellers access to the best deals available online and encourage them to take advantage of the excellent deals going on Wego,” Mr Hewett said.

Wego enables Aussie travellers to search for flights, hotels, packages, travel deals and travel research across 100+ travel websites in the time that it normally takes to search just one.

Wego also empowers Aussie travellers with the ability to see a snapshot of views and experiences of others voiced across the internet through their new review feature. To get the best travel deals available and get the inside scoop on the best hotels to stay at visit: www.wego.com.au

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* http://www.rba.gov.au/statistics/exchange_rates.html;

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