

Up Up and Adams – A family on the go Family Trip Planner

Sample Planning For 2024			
Paid Holidays	Day of the Week	Vacation/PTO Use	Length of Trips
New Year's Day	Monday, Jan 1	1 Day	Friday, December 29 = 4 day trip
MLK, Jr. Day	Monday, January 15	1 Day	Friday, January 12 = 4 day trip
President's Day	Monday, February 19	1 Day	Friday, February 16 = 4 day trip
Memorial Day	Monday, May 27	1 Day	Tuesday, May 28 = 4 day trip
Juneteenth	Wednesday, June 19	2 Days	Monday and Tuesday, June 17,18 = 5 Day Trip
Independence Day	Thursday, July 4	1 Day	Friday, July 5 = 4 day trip
Labor Day	Monday, September 2	1 Day	Friday, August 30 = 4 day trip
Veteran's Day	Monday, November 11	1 Day	Tuesday, November 12 = 4 day trip
Thanksgiving	Thursday, November 28	1 Day	Wednesday, November 27 = 5 day trip
Friday After Thanksgiving	Friday, November 29		
Christmas Eve	Tuesday, December 24	2 Days	Friday, December 20 and Monday December 23 = 6 day trip
Christmas Day	Wednesday, December 25		
Total:		12 Days	39 Potential Days of Travel

A few important things to note:

1. Of course, not every employer provides all of these as paid holidays, but the sentiment remains, just taking one or two days near a weekend gives you an automatic 3 to 4 day trip. That's plenty of time to explore a new place domestically, or a quick trip to the Caribbean for some relaxation.
2. Make sure that you aren't only taking Fridays off. It's a popular day for employees to take time off, so if you work in a team or department setting where multiple people cannot be gone at the same time, just be mindful that you're saving some Fridays for others.
3. By using time near holidays, you're saving your other days for the bigger trips like Spring break or longer summer trips.
4. Keep in mind that some of these days off will conflict with your children's school calendar, but we've never let school get in the way of travel, because travel is valuable learning! Also, most districts allow 10 absences per year. We usually push this to the max.