

# 12 OF THE BEST WEEKEND BREAKS

**let's travel**

Take a weekend break and find out the best ways to spend a day in some of the world's most incredible cities...

**TRAVEL**

**COAST THE CANALS IN VENICE**  
Visit between January 31 and February 17 for the carnival.

Take a gondola trip along the canal from one of the 405 traditional gondolas in Venice.

Visit the Valentine Grand Macaronade Ball for a paltry 500 Euro!

**EXPLORE THE VARIETY OF BERLIN**  
Join 50,000 people every day at the largest shopping mall in continental Europe, Kaufhaus des Westens.

There are 1500 different species in Berlin 2000. That's as many as London 2000.

Go dancing! Berlin's most exclusive club Berghain is open 24 hours a day on weekends.

**CHILL OUT IN DUBLIN**  
Wear a jacket - 17°C is the average July temperature.

See the ancient book of Kells at the Old Library at Trinity University. It was written in 800 AD.

Dublin is world famous for Irish folk music. Take in some tunes at Hughes at 19 Chancery Street.

**CATCH THE VIEWS IN LONDON**  
Ride up 135 metres in the London Eye - one way to see the whole city in a weekend!

Visit the house where Charles I was born at 25 Brook Street.

See the crown jewels at the Tower of London, estimated to be worth 3.5 billion pounds.

**TAKE A WALK IN DUBROVNIK**  
Walk the 2km of walls surrounding the city.

Take the cable car and soar 405 metres above sea level.

Enjoy the weather - Dubrovnik has 265 sunny days a year.

**GET ON YOUR BIKE IN AMSTERDAM**  
Enjoy a ride on the 767km of cycling paths and bike lanes in Amsterdam.

Browse for trinkets in any of the city's 32 markets.

**TAKE IN A SHOW IN NEW YORK**  
Watch a show at one of over 40 theatres in New York's Broadway!

There are 1600 pizzerias in New York City - pick a slice.

Enjoy a coffee! New Yorkers drink 6.7x more coffee than Americans in other states.

**BE CHARMED IN MARRAKECH**  
Get lost Marrakech is over 7 times larger than California.

Visit the Musée de la Photographie to see over 8000 historic photographs of the city.

5 henna - the price of a horse sconce at the Djemaa el Fna, the oldest market famed for its spice bazaar.

**SWEAT IT OUT IN DUBAI**  
Take the lift to 160 residential floors in Burj Khalifa for incredible views.

Buy a piece of the world's longest gold chain. It was over 42km long.

Go on a desert safari - where temperatures soar to up to 55C.

**MARVEL AT THE ARCHITECTURE IN BARCELONA**  
Go see La Sagrada Familia. They started building it 135 years ago and it still isn't finished.

Surfache along the 45 km of coastline - the beaches were only created in 1970.

Watch a game at the Camp Nou stadium - it can hold 100,000 people.

**JOIN THE CROWD IN HONG KONG**  
Eat out - there is one cafe or restaurant to every 600 people in Hong Kong.

Spice it up at the rugby sevens, the world's largest annual rugby event, with over 40,000 spectators.

**GO WILD IN KUALA LUMPUR**  
Visit the tallest man-made monument in the centre of Kuala Lumpur - it's only 10.5 metres.

Walk freely around the Kuala Lumpur bird park and you could see over 3000 birds of 200 different species.

Stroll down Batu Caves which are 400 million years old. They house countless Hindu shrines, statues and paintings.