

# Print Pondering

Something to think about while you're waiting on your print job.

## Just the Facts

- Planning a trip makes you 8% happier.
- Taking a vacation can lower your risk of heart disease.
- The Eiffel Tower's size increases by 6 inches during summertime because the steel structure expands at higher temperatures.
- Machu Picchu's construction design makes it resistant to earthquakes.
- Jet lag feels worse if you travel from west to east.
- There are 61,000 people in the air over the U.S. at any given time on any given day.
- There is a town in Norway just called A.
- Australia has over 10,000 beaches, which would take over 27 years to visit one a day.
- The 'Panama Hat' actually comes from Ecuador.



## Travel Bucket List

Do you have a travel bucket list? Is there somewhere on your list that is exotic? Or are you the 'explore the local area' kind of traveler? Do your dreams of travel and your bank account match? If you answered no to that last question, I have a suggestion for you ~ virtual tours. I have found a site that has over 100 virtual tours of popular tourist attractions around the world. I know it's not the same as being there, but it will give you a taste to know if you really want to figure out how to get there. And some of them are cool.



## Leasing vs Buying a New Car

Thinking about traveling, reminds me of how I will get there. I really didn't want to compare airlines or train vs. bus. And then I realized that many folks travel the highway system in personal vehicles. I found that currently, leasing is down to about 20%, from about 35% five years ago. Not surprisingly, more pick-up trucks are leased than cars. There are pros and cons on both sides of the equation - lease vs. buy. This Consumer Report article defines both options and does an in-depth comparison. Food for thought!

