Temporary Accommodations

Hostels are low-cost, short-term accommodations for travelers of all ages. Visitors pay for either a public or a private room. Prices vary based on style, location, and amenities but overall are very affordable. Hostels are the most common choice of accommodation for travelers; there are membership deals and discounts for frequent users. For more information, visit STA Travel [1].

Things to Consider

Below is some important information about hostels. If interested, there is a list of websites that provide hostel booking pages.

- Hostels are not luxurious and are meant for short term, cheap accommodations
- Some hostels have curfews
- Hostel rooms can be private or public depending on preferences and availability
- Bring a personal lock to secure belongings
- Some hostels and hostel websites have membership opportunities that can provide discounts
- Hostels are not exclusive to a certain age group


Hostelz.com [3], Hostelworld.com [4], hostels.com [5] Site has searchable database of hostels worldwide. There is also a directory that can be browsed by region, country, and city. Complete contact information is provided for each hostel. Many also have reviews and photos.


Eurotrip.com [7] Web site has hostel and tourist information It includes students' comments on hostels.

United States Servas [8] For those interested in staying at others' homes while traveling. Servas is not a budget travel service. Participants are encouraged to interact with their hosts.

Campus Resources

STA Travel [1] STA will book hostels anywhere in the world. Agents can offer advice to students and they have personal experience with overseas hostels.