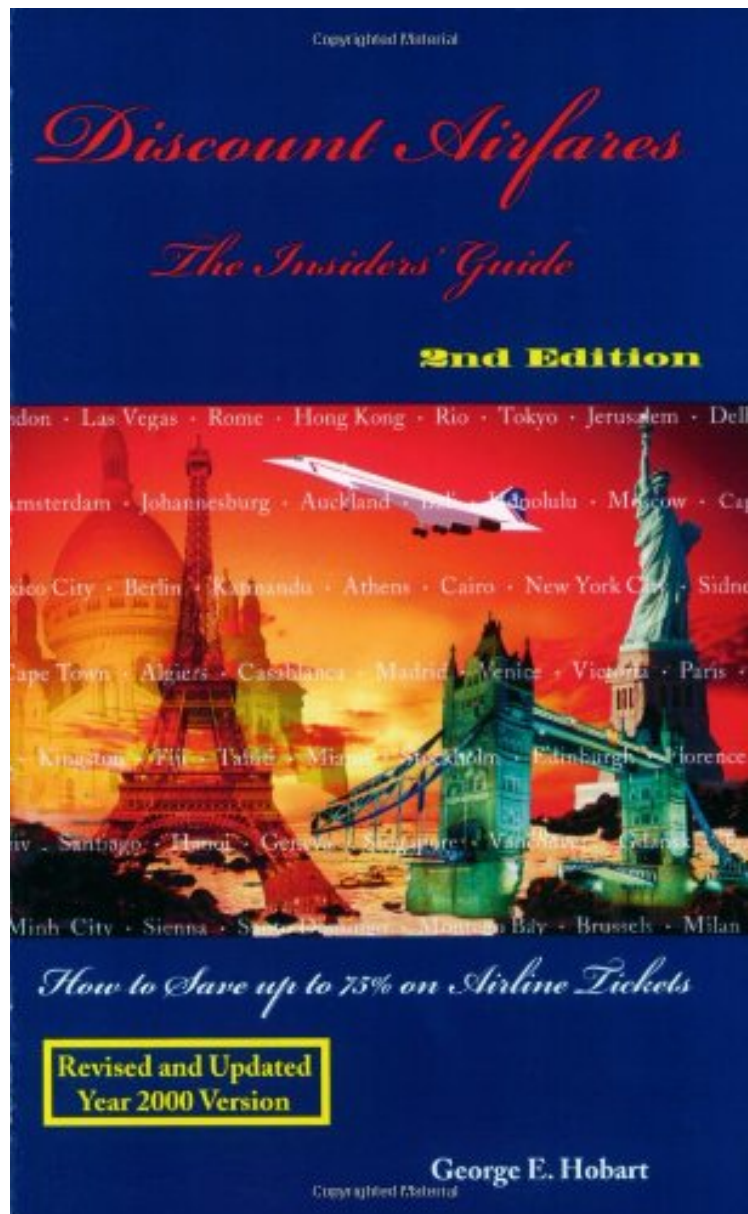


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From the Author
As a schoolteacher, I have the ability to go on short vacations several times each year, if I can afford the price of getting there. We have two weeks at Christmas, one week in the spring, and two months during the summer. If I could only afford the airfare, I would love to travel. This situation got me thinking. I began to investigate the situation in order to become a knowledgeable consumer. The information was very difficult to obtain. I located a few difficult-to-find articles on "flying cheap" or "low cost airfare," but little information was available on the subject. I decided to change that situation and make the information obtainable to the general public. My new book, DISCOUNT AIRFARES 2ND EDITION, is a rewritten, revised, and updated version of the original 1998 book. I've attempted to make the book easier to use and, wherever possible, have utilized Internet addresses to assist in research. There is, in fact, an entire section which has been completely revamped and is devoted to the latest airline ticket search Web sites on the Internet. The book also has new sections devoted to Students and Seniors that are full of money saving tips. I hope you find the book and its strategies useful in obtaining the lowest possible price for airline tickets. My best wishes for bargain tickets and happy traveling.