Saving for the Scenery: Flights and the Fall

Hello! Now it's officially fall, and, to be honest, I am LOVING this weather. I don't really like when the weather outside is cold and snowy, so I welcome this heat with open arms and sunglasses. It's the 4th week of classes! Woah. 4th week already?

So, more news! I booked my tickets to Spain - I say "tickets" plural because I'll be flying to Madrid with a layover in Dublin, and I'll be flying back from Barcelona with another layover in Dublin. The best news about this is that I was able to purchase these tickets under budget - my budget was $1400 and I purchased the tickets for about $860! It's always nice to have a little extra cash in the savings account, but this doesn't mean I won't be working toward my goal. Although I now have the means to get to Spain, I still need to be able to afford quite a lot while I'm there. I also say "tickets" in the plural because in addition to buying tickets to Spain, I also purchased tickets to St. Louis, where I'll be heading in a few weeks. I'll be traveling quite a bit, it seems!

Since I recently transferred some money from my savings account to my checking account, I'm currently looking at $1450 in my savings. This includes the money I transferred last week, so I will have a goal of having $1900 in my savings by late December.

I'm really excited to travel! It seems that every time I travel, I come home, and I just want to travel more. I think that's what they call having the travel bug.

As for the nature, I hear that the area of Spain where we are headed, is full of palm trees and sunshine, which I am already excited about. More sunsets by the water, here I come!

The picture this week is of the sunset in Netanya. It was even more beautiful than the photo shows and is one of my favorite travel memories.

If you know of a great place to get tapas in Seville/Barcelona, I would love to hear
suggestions!

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