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**Wired High.** **Virgin America** has expanded wi-fi service to its entire fleet. You can now log on for \$12.95 on flights longer than three hours or for \$9.95 on flights under three hours. Wi-fi on red-eye flights costs \$5.95. And if you just want to use your handheld device, like a BlackBerry, iPhone or cell phone, on any flight, it will cost you \$7.95.

**A Shuttle Worth Flying.** The **Delta Shuttle**, which connects New York City, Boston and Washington, D.C., has lowered fares 60% on walk-up ticket purchases. The fare between New York's LaGuardia and Boston's Logan is \$129; from LaGuardia to Reagan National Airport, it's \$169.

**Beach Bargain.** **Air Tahiti Nui** is offering L.A.-to-Tahiti tickets for \$732 round-trip if you stay four nights. Or you could try the airline's Tahiti Lover's Escape package, which includes a room at the Hilton Hotel Tahiti for \$898 round-trip from Los Angeles, including breakfast. Book by June 5 for travel through Sept. 12.

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