## City Breaks are top of the list this half term

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Scots holidaymakers turn to city breaks and ski slopes over the sun this half-term

A mild Scottish winter, ahead of the sudden cold snap at the weekend, has encouraged more Scottish holidaymakers to opt for sightseeing city breaks and ski holidays this February halfterm than a traditional week on the beach.

After unseasonal mild temperatures throughout December and January, bookings at easyJet, Scotland's largest airline, indicate that passengers are in less of a hurry to head for an early sunshine break and are instead testing the waters with a more cultural city experience.

Madrid is leading the way for Scots passengers as the place to head for half-term, alongside Paris and Amsterdam.

Hugh Aitken, easyJet's commercial manager for Scotland said: "February is a great time for exploring some of Europe's most exciting cities and the mild weather up until this weekend has definitely left people with less of a longing to head straight for traditional beach destinations and more of an inclination to satisfy their wanderlust."

Ski breaks are also proving popular for Scots families. Edinburgh and Glasgow routes to Geneva are amongst the top easyJet destinations booked over the half-term holidays. The new ski route from Edinburgh to Grenoble is also proving popular.

Aitken continued: "Family ski breaks are more popular than

ever before as people take advantage of our convenient and affordable flights from Edinburgh and Glasgow to Geneva — the nearest airport for most ski resorts located in the Alps, with easy access to France and Switzerland.

"With Scottish temperatures finally taking a dip throughout February, the good news for those looking for a last minute get away this half-term is that easyJet still has thousands of affordable seats available to winter sun destinations including Tenerife, Athens and Malaga, as well as popular city and ski break locations. easyJet is committed to making air travel easy and affordable for its growing customer base in the leisure travel markets so it's not too late to get away from it all without breaking the bank."

The top easyJet destinations for Scottish passengers for February half-term include:

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The Crystal Palace in El Retiro

- 1. Madrid
- 2. Geneva
- 3. Malaga
- 4. Amsterdam
- 5. Paris

Madrid attracts millions of visitors each year and is known for its array of chic restaurants and cultural wonders such as its Royal theatre, Teatro Real. The capital is both an art magnet boasting 45 museums and a hotbed of exciting nightlife. Paris offers a selection of must see historic monuments and Amsterdam charms with itscanal network and cobbled walkways. For further information about easyJet destinations and to book flights visit their website. Travellers looking to book their flights, accommodation and transfers in one go can find a wide range of flexible and affordable breaks from all easyJet airports on the easyJet Holidays website.