



travel log

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## Through customs, on to Belfast: security, security and security

**T**HE SHUTTLE plane to Belfast leaves from Gate 49 in Terminal 1, but we have flown into London's Heathrow Airport two terminals away.

It is easy enough to go through British customs. Most of us follow the green signs, which means we have nothing to declare, and walk right out with only a nod from the customs officers.

The baggage cart has four wheels, but of course only three of them work. I've never seen a baggage cart anywhere in the world that didn't have one wheel spinning. It stops you from getting bored because you can't go anywhere in a straight line.

**WE FOLLOW** the signs to Terminal 1, pushing our carts uphill, racing downhill, turning corners and otherwise winding through what seem like miles of tunnels. We could take the bus, but "the walk will be good for us after sitting on a plane all night, and we've got a full hour before the 10:30 a.m. shuttle." Famous Last Words.

I swore that I would not forget to mail the letters I wrote on the plane, but I need British stamps, and of course you can't put U.S. coins in an English stamp machine. The bank is in the far corner, the stamps in the machine are the wrong denomination, but that's just Murphy's Law ("Anything that can go wrong will go wrong."), and we must move forward to the shuttle plane.

It's upstairs and down a long series of walkways, and one of our group keeps saying, "Has anybody seen a ladies' joint?" Of course, we had passed 12 in the previous half-hour. We arrived at the shuttle gate, Gate 49, at 10:15.

"Next shuttle at 12:30," the cheerful agent says. "We're scheduled at 10:30."

"Sorry, the gate closes 10 minutes before departure for security reasons. You'll have to take the 12:30."

**YOU CAN SCREAM** and rage and stamp your feet, but it would do you more good to read the brochure that came with the ticket. We check into the lounge and begin the security precautions that go with the shuttle flight to Belfast.

Every piece of baggage is searched by friendly but thorough agents. No hand luggage, except a regular-sized woman's purse, is allowed aboard.

We nearly have cardiac arrest when our cameras are taken from us, even though we had long ago been warned that they would have to be checked; that small hand luggage, individually tied in plastic bags, is tenderly carried in containers separate from the regular suitcases.

That done, my purse is searched, and I am given a light but thorough body check by a woman who somehow makes it seem like an everyday affair.

As soon as I get into the lounge, with an hour to wait, I remember that I was going to buy a paperback book to read. I try to go back, but I am warned: I'll have to take all my luggage out of the check station and take it with me and go through the whole thing again.

**APART FROM** this security check, the flight to Belfast is just like any other part of the regular shuttle system that British Airways runs from London to Edinburgh, Glasgow and Manchester. Each shuttle runs regularly through the day from a specific gate, always the same gate.

You can board without a ticket and pay your fare aboard, just like a bus. This means that a regular commuter can go into the terminal, go to a known gate, be sure of a plane within a reasonable time and buy his ticket aboard.

In the U.S., Eastern Airlines offers similar shuttle flights between New York, Boston and Washington at a cost below the regular economy fare.

An interesting system that saves a lot of hassle once you know your way around it.

## Leelanau resorts are close to home and beautiful

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**THE HOMESTEAD** borders the 41,000-acre national lake-shore park and is a short drive or bicycle ride away on M-22. During summer the resort features hikes and nature talks by park rangers on the shifting sand dunes. In winter, 42 kilometers of cross country ski trails are managed by the Homestead, and ski packages are offered.

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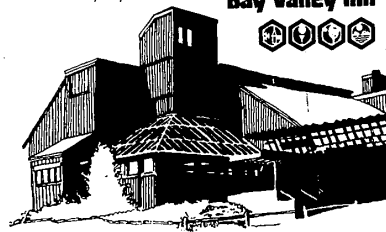
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Situated on over 700 acres of former orchards and Grand Traverse Village is truly the centerpiece of the northern Michigan resort area. It is a secured, self-contained living and recreational community located just north of Traverse City, overlooking the east arm of beautiful Grand Traverse Bay.

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