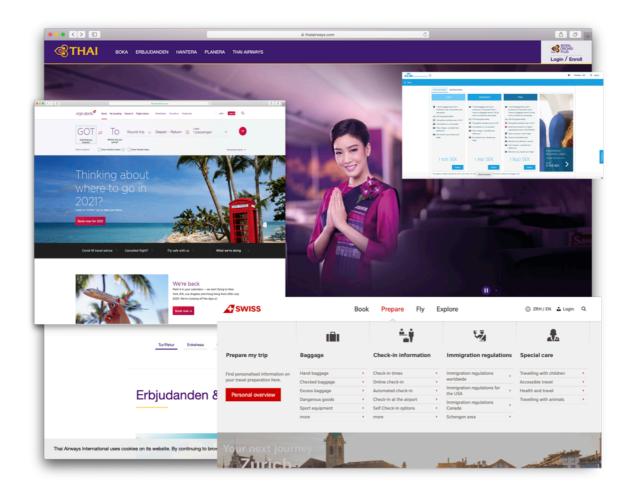
Project 1: Competitive benchmark

By Per Danielsson



KLM
Virgin Atlantic Airways
SWISS Air
Thai Airways

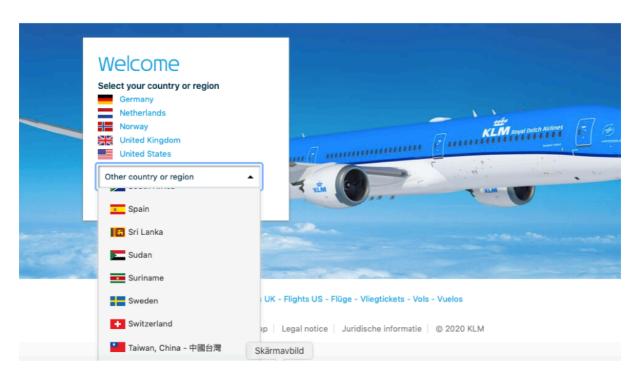


When I first visits KLM I'm presented by this choice. I don't like this at all.

The web would recognize me by IP number and just let me join in with my country settings. They are wasting my time here for a long down scroll. Also I wonder a bit about the 5 top countries by default. Why are they here? Is this by random or just countries that uses KLM most?



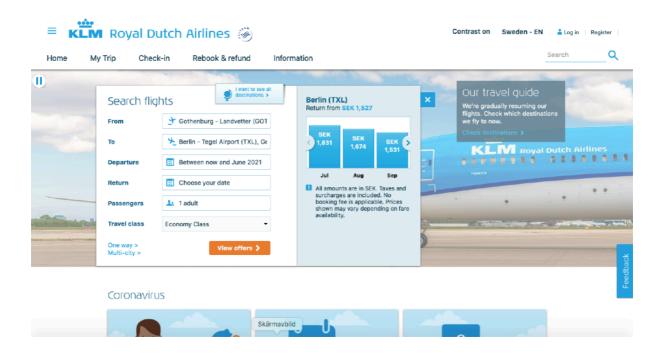




I know that KLM are good, but this is annoying for me.

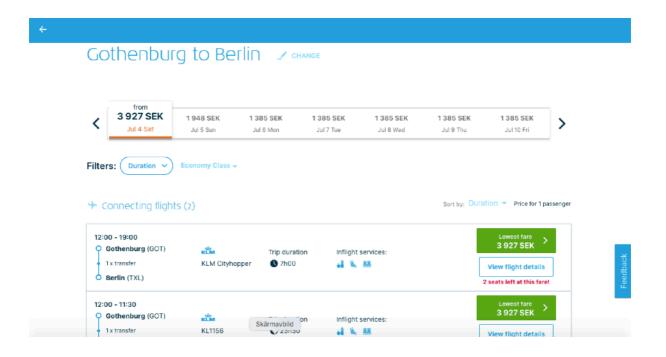
I ám looking for a flight to Berlin from Gothenburg and a Return fare.

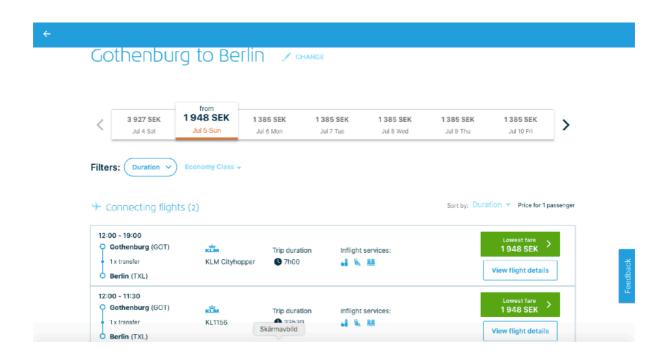
This is pretty forward and easy. However I got a Light blue Banner on the side that make no sense to me and make me confused for a while...after unchecked that. I proceed with the search and result. I cant stop thinking about the design and colors. It feels a bit dated.



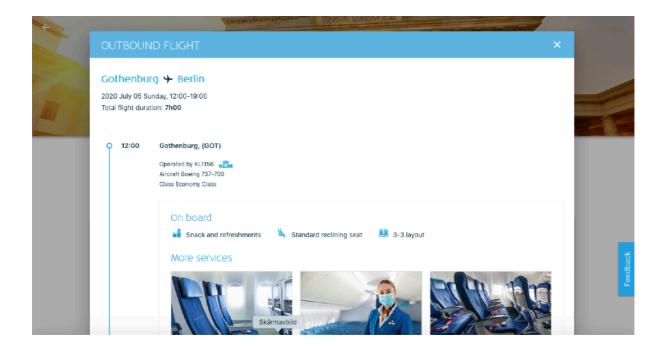
This site is fast and lám presented with the lowest fare for that day, during different times. Easy to see Flight duration and more.

I just love the WonderBanner, don't you? If I can and will change flight by one day I got a much better price! I can. So that's my choice. Thanks.

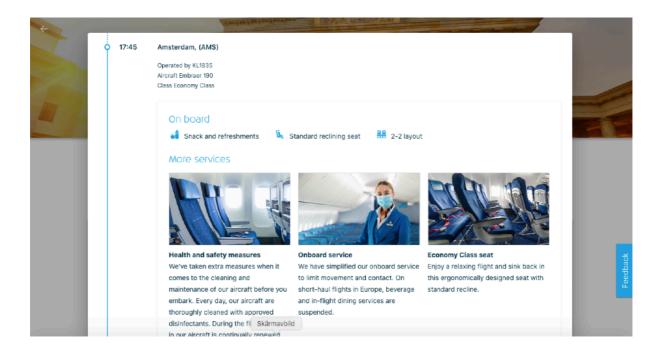




Presented with my first Flight to Amsterdam.



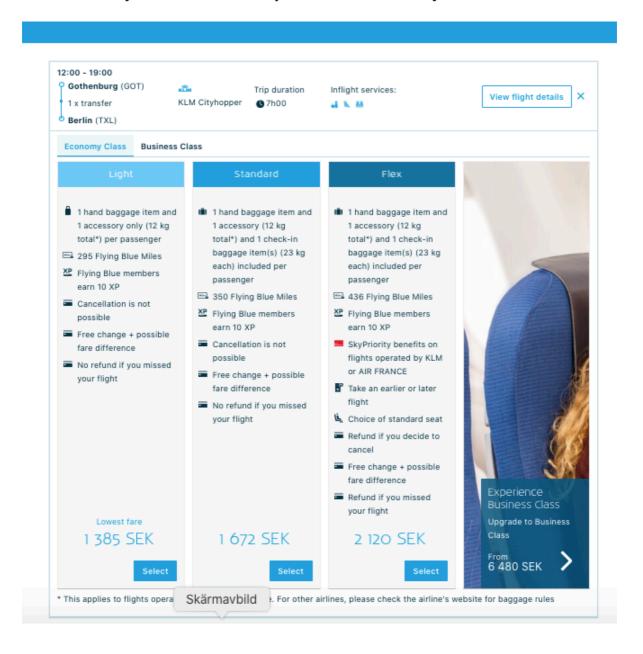
And the flight from Amsterdam to Berlin. Everything looks good. But why do I get the same info boxes once more?



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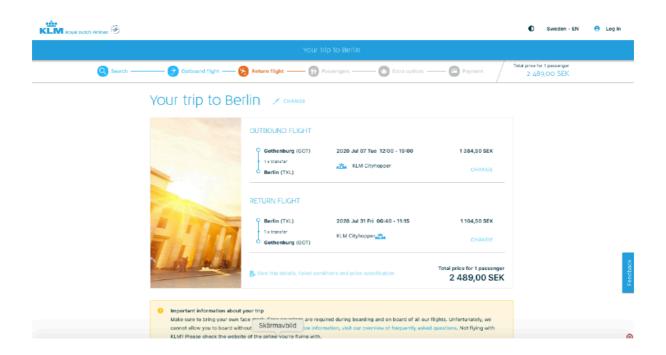
This is the Light, Standard, Flex and Business Class choices screen. I think it is easy to understand and just Select which one you like.



So after that I have my trip to Berlin ready. Adding passengers and Extra options and final Payment methods. I did not go that far in this one. I just guess that you will get SMS text or e-mail confirmation after paying with your bank or card.

Many airlines also have an App for boarding services so you will have the Boarding card in digital form.

Also the "Feedback" Button looks more like a Facebook link.

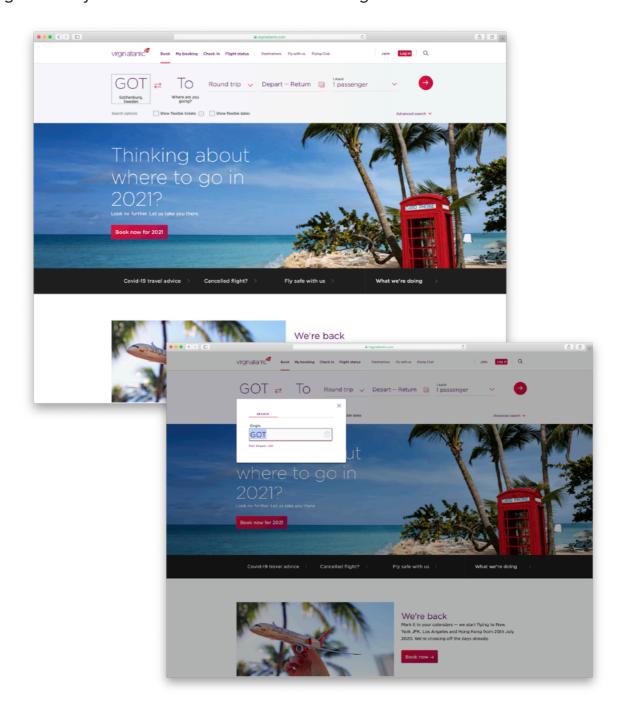


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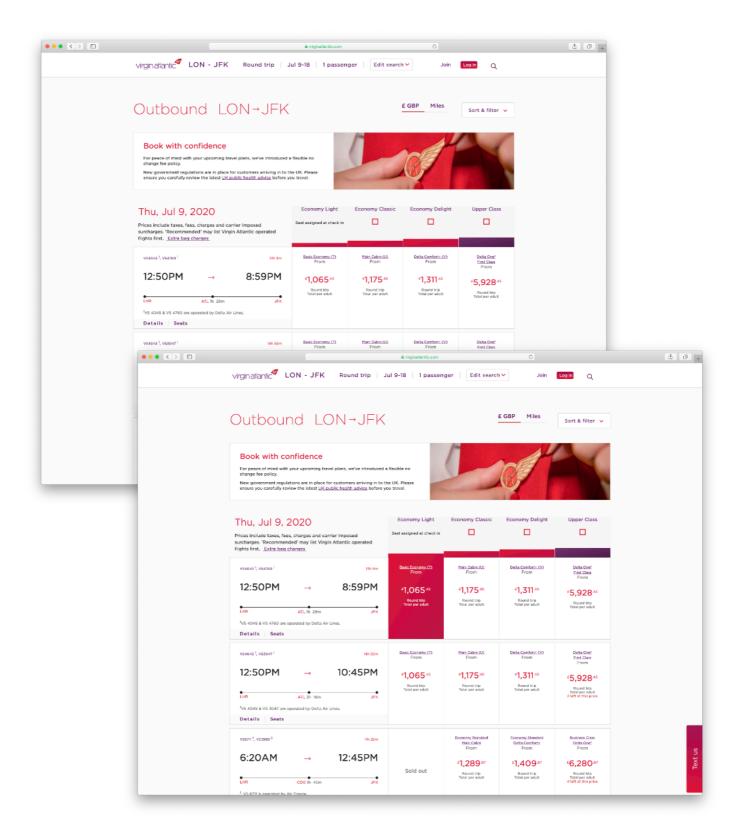
Virgin

Virgin Atlantic has a fresh and positive site. However I got another problem later. At the start I was happy. So simple to put in your start Airport. I like the grey shaded style. Now I putted in GOT (Gothenburg, Sweden) then started a search for a flight to Berlin. Okey in the user interface, but won't work in reality. Virgin don't fly at these destinations! So of course I get an error in the search.

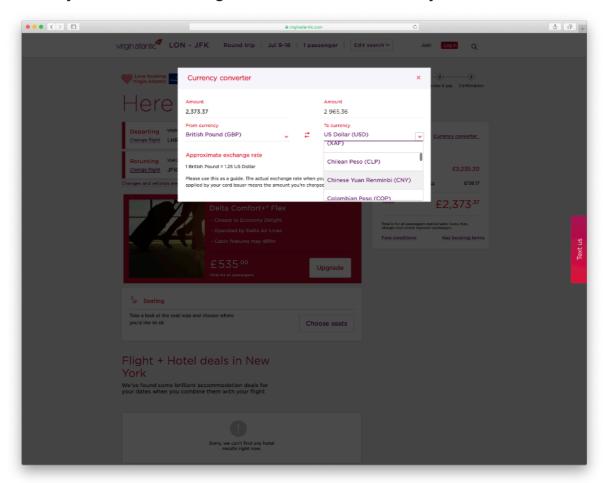


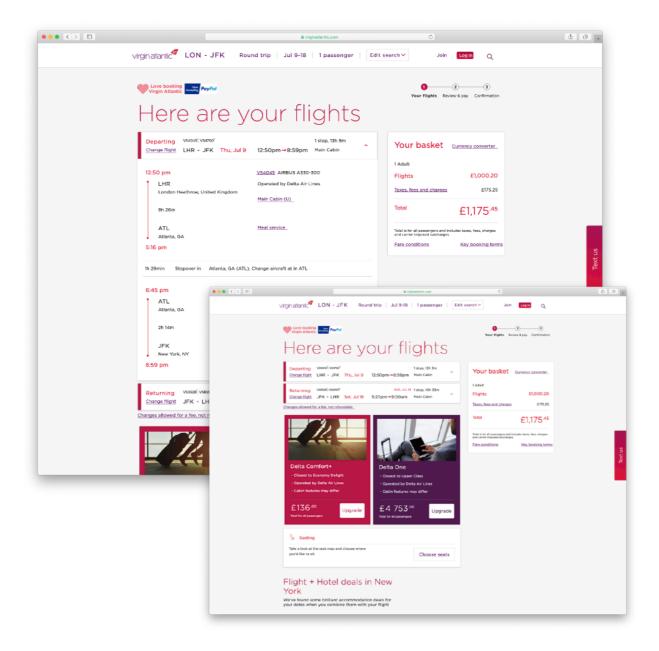
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So I got this now. Changing to London - New York. This is easy to understand and what kind of Economy you want. But hey, the currency is in GBP? And times are in AM and PM.



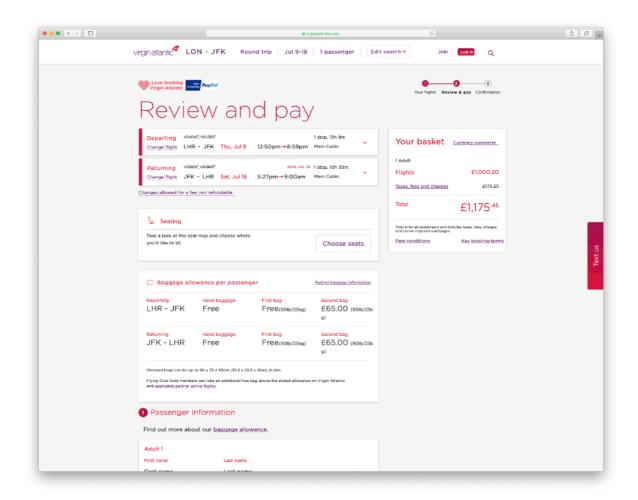
There is a Currency converter in the end at the Basket. With a long scroll for any currency. How ever this is a guide and makes no effect in your interface.





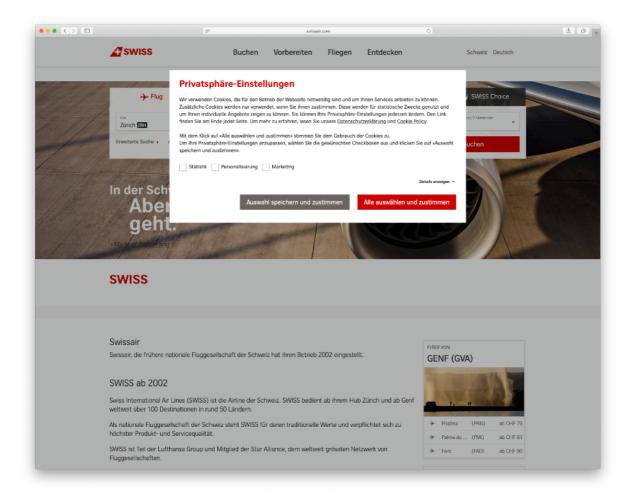
The flights and also 2 quick upgrades are presented. Even some Hotel deals.

Overall I think Virgin did somewhat okey. But the destination, currency and time set issues brings my experience down.

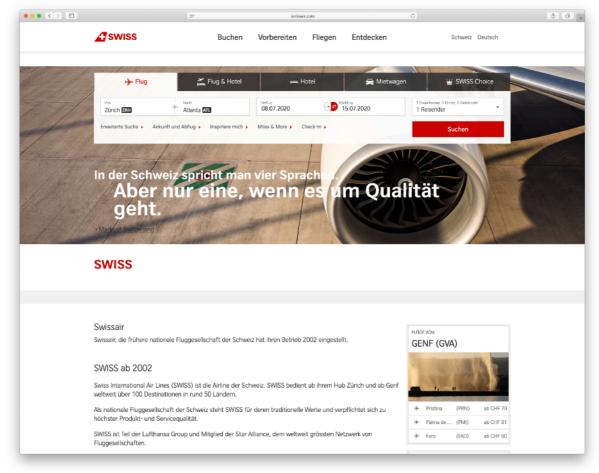


SWISS

SWISS has a bad start too. But will come out great after the adjustments. You ha to make some moves to get the site going.

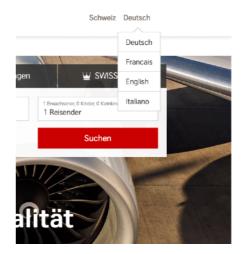


This is the first window you get. I don't understand German. But to continue I have to something... I go for the Red button which I think says Select All and continue.



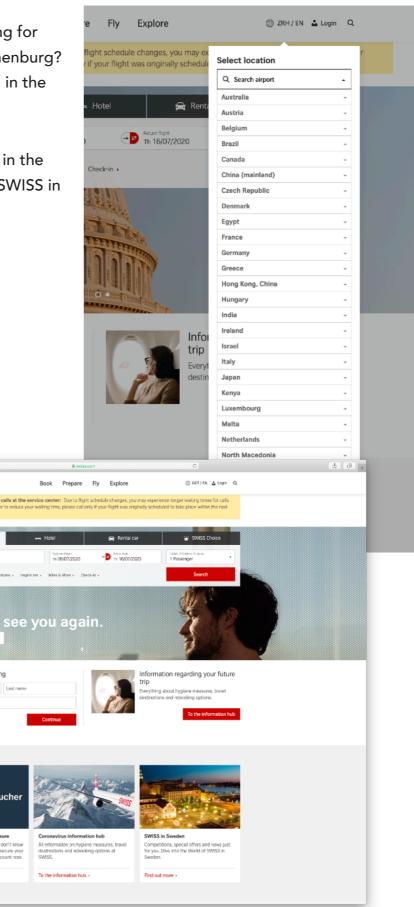
And here it is. But still in German..

I go for the top right corner and change langue to English. The don't have Swedish.



Then the long Pulldown looking for Gothenburg. There is no Gothenburg? Hmm. I writing in Gothenburg in the "Search airport". That works. Now things are happening!
Search have now Gothenburg in the first box and the new banner SWISS in Sweden appears?!

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Flight Value Voucher

SWISS in Sweden Welcome



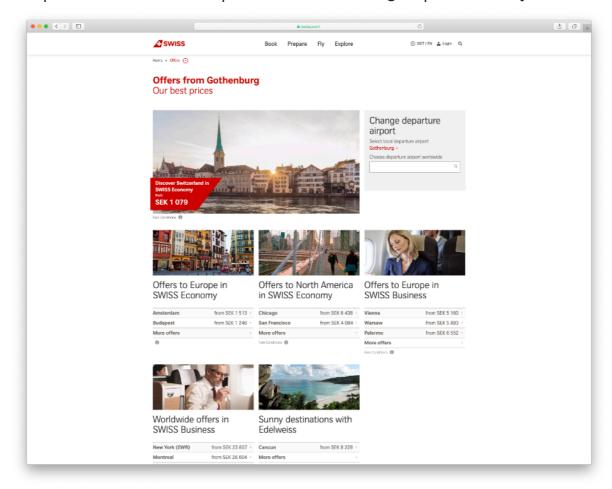


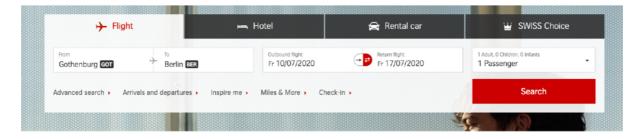
Life is full of destinations

SWISS flies you comfortably and directly to more than 100 destinations worldwide. As the national airline of Switzerland we are committed to the highest standards of product and service quality. On board, we emphasise personal service, regional cuisine and Swiss hospitality.

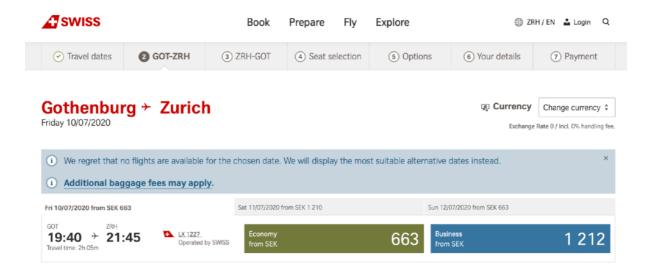
A nice picture from Stockholm and a new banner Offers from Gothenburg?! Wow, they got me going now! Good job!

I ám presented with the Best prices from Gothenburg. Impressed, really are so.

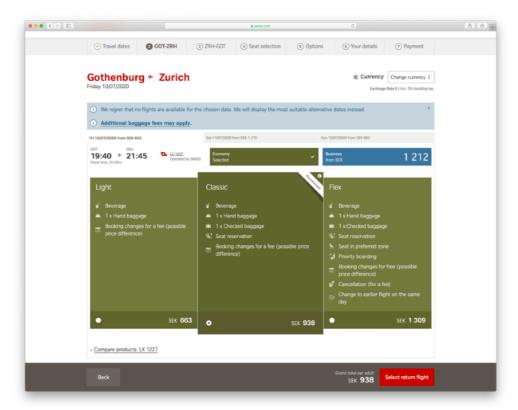




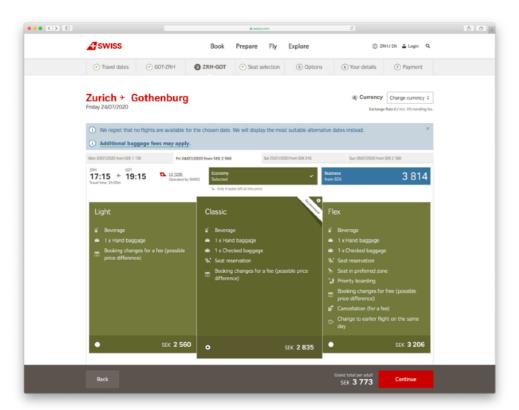
Well, I start the search for the flight and it moves on smoothly.



There is not much to show now, in corona times..almost nothing. But notice, I got the price on Swedish Krona and the time set is all right.

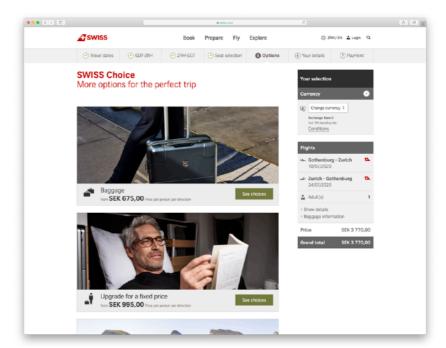


The options are easy and a big Red button to go further appears.



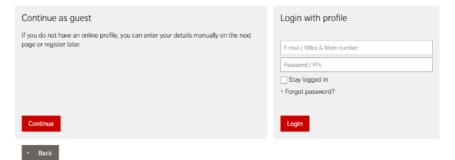
Same things for the Return.

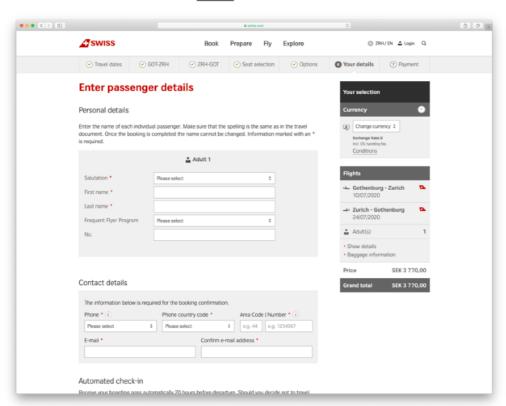
Optional choices for my journey.



The Details box

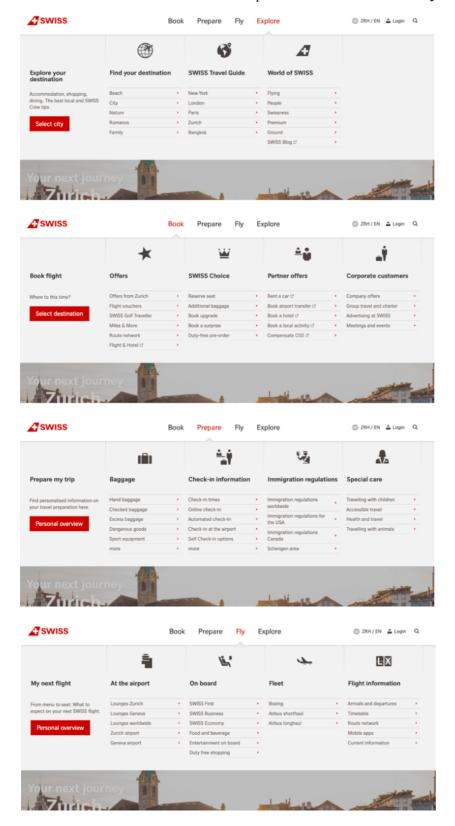
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I will not go further, you get the idea.

But take a look at the Second Top Banner. I think it is very simple and nice to use.

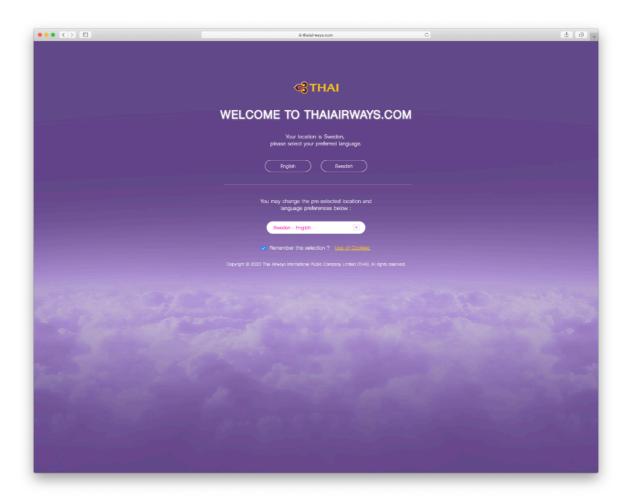


After a strange start SWISS really came through nice.

Thai airway's

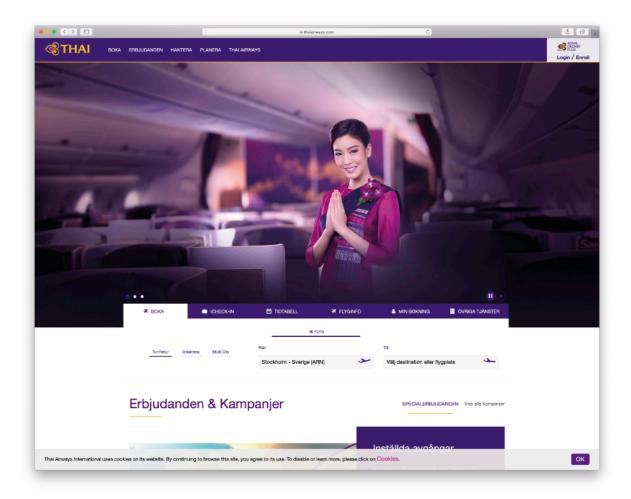
One of the biggest airlines in the world.

The startup screen is great but also not so good.

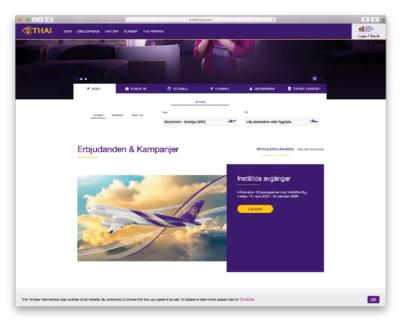


I really like the way they solved the the country and language. "Your location is Sweden, please select your preferred language"!!! Simply beautiful.

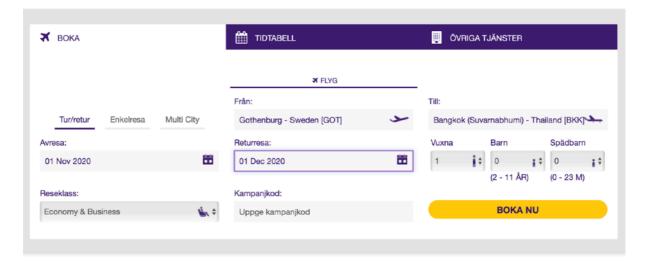
What's wrong you may ask? The colors! I got the feeling of pollution from fuel out on the clouds. Also, I think Purple is an unsure color.



Entering the site and everything is in my language. In these Corona times there is not to much for now, but I make a reservation for the end in this year.

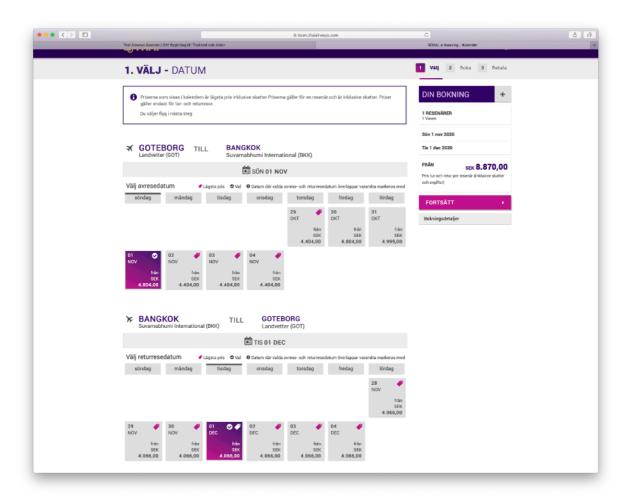


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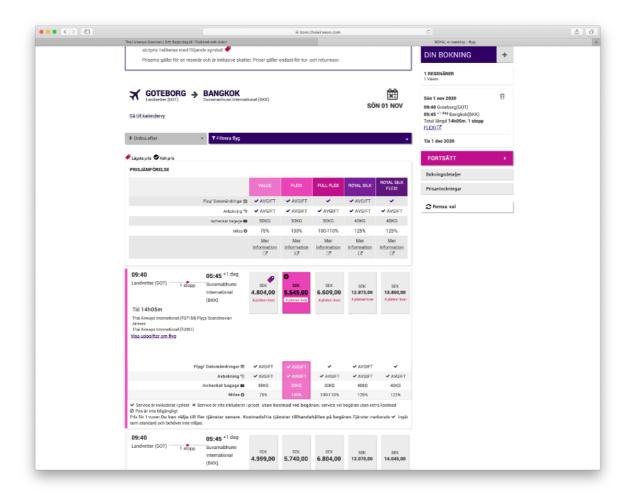


You fill in dates and airports etc. One warning, this is so annoying. If you hit the Timetable or Services links.

You will have to start over again. Your input will be lost.

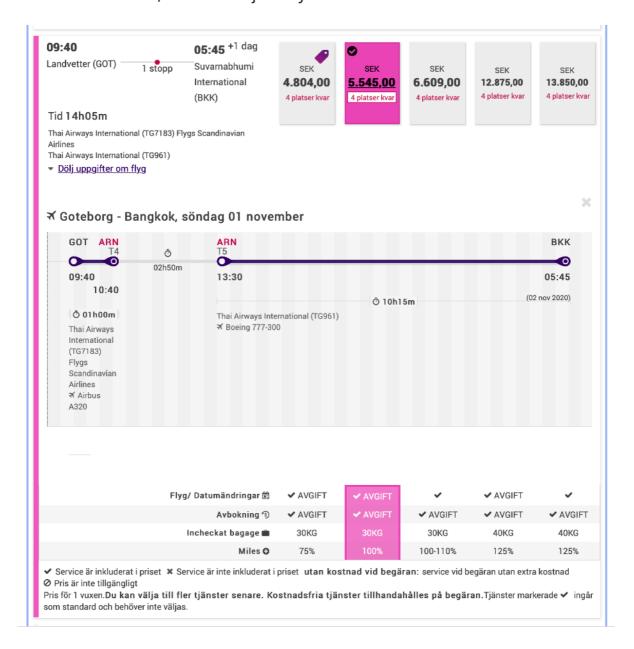


Then it is about choices and dates. Really this is nice and easy.

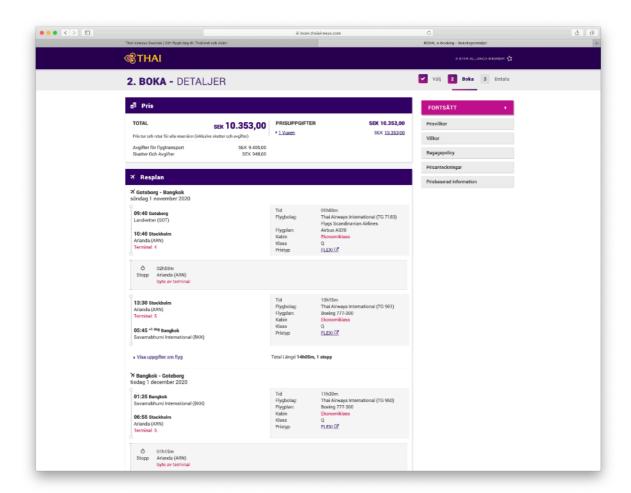


I had an Flexi for Outbound.

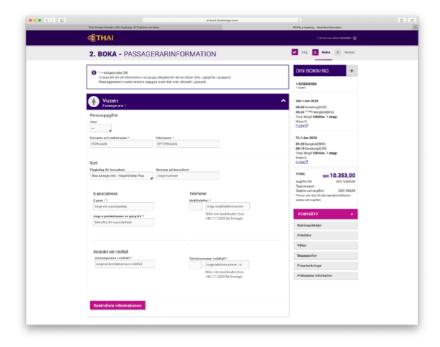
I think they presents this nice. Also it is easy to see more detailed my first flight to Stockholm one hour, and the full journey to arrival with that timeline.



When I am ready a have the full plan:



And so the personal information.



Kom ihåg min resenärsinformation för senare besök.

Then this is a cool feature. "Save my information for a later visit". A real timesaver. Thanks.

Choices of seats and meals are popping up here to.



Du kan välja din sittplats online på internationella flygningar fram till 48h innan avgång på TG flyg med tre siffror. Platsreservation med extra benutrymme kan köpas efter att biljetten är bekräftad





Du behöver inte välja måltid om du inte behöver specialkost. Specialkost går att beställa på internationella flyg fram till 24h innan utresa från Bangkok och 48h innan avresa för inresa i Bangkok. Detta gäller endast för TG flyg med tre siffror.

The next step is Payments and I stop here.

Conclusion

These four airlines have all issues with the language.

But I must say that Thai Airway's did solve this in best manner. Some also had weird infoboxes that messed up my cause. Some had color issues, And one had the Feedback looking like Facebook.

But my winner is SWISS. If you just can pass the language heap. After that they had it all right for me.

Yours truly: