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What tips do you have for celebrating Easter on a budget?

Think about your guests and what they like to eat, vegetables in season will not break your budget, pasta and potato salads and greens salad can be a plus. At this time of the year ham is expensive, turkey can be an option.

What are some of the big money wasters on Easter?

Too many desserts and candy if you don't have a big gathering.

Has Easter become too commercial?

Yes, there are too many expectations, the new outfit, going out for brunch, cooking a big meal, the Easter candies, flowers, eggs, the Easter china, towels, napkins and tablecloths and the list can be longer.

What money-saving tips do you have for people planning to travel for the Easter Holiday?

Book your flights early; at least five months in advance if you know that you are traveling for Easter. Remember, if you are going to a beach area you may encounter spring breakers.