

Re: Why Mars?

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Miguel Cruz wrote:

> *Stuart Warren <email@somewhere.com> wrote:*
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>> *"Miguel Cruz" <mnc@admin.u.nu> wrote:*
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>>> *You're doing way too much futzing.*
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>>> *One hour of futzing at the departure end, 30 minutes at the arrival end.*
>>> *Less for domestic flights or if you don't check luggage.*
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>>> *I just spent about 30 hours flying between major cities on opposite sides*
>>> *of the planet, futzing not included. If I could cut that down to 1/10 I'd*
>>> *be very happy indeed (especially since I'm about to turn around and go*
>>> *back, and KLM hasn't changed the movies yet).*
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>> *Bullshit, man. I can't fly from Chicago to California and back (a common*
>> *route for me) without at least an hour and a half at*
>> *O'Hare/Midway/Lindbergh dealing with security, waiting for the plane*
>> *(which is always delayed), waiting in line for the one skycap on duty,*
>> *etc.*
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> *Try it, you could. I don't know anything about skycaps, but as for the*
> *plane, choose airlines that historically have fewer delays. As for security,*
> *the best tactics are airport-specific, but with careful queue selection*
> *(can depend on time of day, but if you do it a lot you get used to it) at*
> *most airports you can wait a lot less than the typical passenger.*

So... you're saying to carefully schedule your day around the perfect flight for minimum wait time. Of course, while you're waiting for your redeye HST, your business partner is already unloading his baggage at the other end, because he left 12 hours earlier than you did on a more convenient flight.