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Alex: How would you like to fly someone for nearly free with you on all of your Southwest® flights for the next one to two years? Keep listening as we share how that's possible with the Southwest Companion Pass®, plus we're diving into some recent Southwest changes.

Welcome to *Points Talk with the Travel Mom Squad*. We are three moms who've discovered how to leverage credit card welcome offers to get hundreds of thousands of dollars of travel expenses for nearly free. We've used credit card points and miles to take vacations to places like Hawaii, Paris, Greece, Maldives, Japan, and so much more. And the best part? We each still have 800 plus credit scores. Imagine being able to take the vacation of your dreams for nearly free. It's totally possible, and we're here to show you how.

Alex: Hey, I'm Alex.

Pam: And I'm Pam, Alex's mom.

Jess: And I'm Jess. Let's talk points.

Today, we are talking all things Southwest Companion Pass®. The Southwest Companion Pass is one of the best deals in points and miles, especially if you frequently travel with a family. When you earn the Southwest Companion Pass, you can fly someone for free, minus taxes and fees, on all of your flights for the rest of the year you earn it and the entire following year.

Now, we know that Southwest has made a lot of changes this year so far. I feel like the hits keep on coming. One thing that they have not touched, knock on wood, is the Southwest Companion Pass. I also feel like this we're talking about it earlier this year than we normally do. We normally wait until October, mid to late October, to start talking about it, but there are some really great elevated offers that we're going to talk about a little later on in the episode that can really make this doable and easy, even with just one signup offer.

So Alex is going to kick it off with how to even earn the Companion Pass to begin with.

Alex: Yeah, so there's two ways you can earn the pass. The first is fly 100 one-way flights in a calendar year. I even, no, we're not going to do that. I even forget sometimes that's a thing because that is something I'm not ever interested in doing or learning more about. So moving ahead. The other way is to earn 135,000 Southwest® points in a single calendar year. And that can sound like a lot, but it's actually really easy because we do this with, as you would probably imagine, credit card welcome offers.

So there are three personal cards that are available. There's the Southwest® Plus, Southwest® Premier, and Southwest® Priority, and then two business cards, the Southwest® Premier and the Southwest® Performance business. The key thing to note here is you cannot hold two personal cards and get a bonus, or you can't hold two personal cards. You have to, that's just not a thing you can do. So just know if you're wanting to get these points through welcome offers, you can only open one personal card.

And that is every 24 months. So if you opened one, you're not going to be able to get a bonus on another one for two more years from the day that you earned the bonus. It's not even when you opened the card. So from every two years, you can earn a bonus on the card. But you can have both business cards and earn a bonus, a welcome offer on both of those business cards.

So that is typically how we usually do it is open a personal card and a business card. That's the most straightforward, simple way to do it. To get some more points, you also get 10,000 points as a points boost every calendar year for being a cardholder. Now, if you have two Southwest cards, you're not going to get two cardholder boosts, you're just going to get the one. But what that means is then you only need to earn 125,000 points towards Companion Pass.

Now, these 10,000 points, you cannot redeem them for Southwest flights. They are strictly points towards Companion Pass. So like I said, we recommend getting a personal card and a business card. With the two, you would have enough points for a Companion Pass, specifically the Performance business card. That one usually has, as their standard offer, 80,000 points. So if you get

that one and then you get a personal card with like a standard offer of 50,000 points, you would have enough points.

So sometimes those as we're going to talk later, the points, I would say at least twice a year, they bump up the welcome offers. And so if you want to time it with those welcome offers, you can earn more points, and you could maybe open up a different business card if you're like, I don't want the high annual fee Performance. Spoiler, we choose the Performance and we'll explain why a little bit later, but that's that's an option.

Another thing you can do is if you are 4/24, you will want to definitely get the business card first because if you get the personal card, you will be 5/24, and then you will not be able to be approved for the business card. Another thing you can do is if you're worried about 5/24, if you're trying to stay under, you could get two business cards, and that, Jess, you have done that before, right?

Jess: Yeah, I was 4/24, and so it was either get two business cards or don't earn the Companion Pass. And so I went with get two business cards and it worked. So it ended up being a great thing to do.

Alex: Yes. So one thing that sometimes people get a little confused about when they're new to Southwest and the Companion Pass is they're thinking, okay, I'm going to earn these points, then I'm going to give these points to Southwest, and then they're going to give me the Companion Pass. It's like you're trading in.

That is not the case at all. You get to keep all of those points that you have earned and the Companion Pass. So that's what's so awesome about it is you can use those 135,000. Well, yeah, if you've earned 135,000, you know, you're not going to be able to use the 10,000 points boost, but let's say you have 135,000 of actual points to redeem. You can use those points to book your flight, and then you add your companion for free, and you're just paying taxes and fees for both of your flights.

So that's why it's so incredible is because you're literally, you get to keep the points and book a companion for just taxes and fees. So Jess is going to get into the nitty-gritty a little bit more with the timing because that is the most difficult

part about this, and one of the most crucial pieces of it is getting the timing right, so you earn the pass and you get it for a longer amount of time.

Jess: Yeah, so basically, like I said, when you earn the Companion Pass, you earn it for the rest of the year that you got it, and then all of the following year. So what that means in practice is let's say I opened the card now, and I quickly met the spend and I earned the Companion Pass in October. Well, I'm going to have it for October, November, December, and then all of 2026. It's not bad. I mean, it's still a year and a few months of someone flying free with me, but if I just waited and hit that minimum spend in January, then I would have almost two full years because I'd have it for the rest of January 2026 and all of 2027.

And so the timing of your applications is really going to depend on what the welcome offers are when you're ready to apply and start this process. So I'm going to talk about the timing right now with the welcome offers going on right now, but if you're listening to this episode later on in the year or even in 2026, you can still make this work for you. Your strategy is just going to be a little bit different depending on what the welcome offers are when you're ready to apply.

So right now, all three personal Southwest cards have best-ever offers of 100,000 points. The crazy thing is, Southwest normally does this, where right before people are ready to start applying for the Companion Pass, they will elevate the offers. They usually only give people three months. And so, you know, if you had three months, that's not that's not bringing you into 2026. You're stuck with earning those points in 2025.

They're giving five months for these welcome offers. And so 100,000 points after spending \$4,000 in five months, that is unheard of. I have never heard of them elevating the offer this much and giving you that much time to meet the minimum spend. This offer is currently scheduled to end on September 17th, 2025.

So with that being said, you could theoretically earn the Southwest Companion Pass with just one card. I'll tell you how, I'll tell you how to do that. So you could apply now. Like, let's say you apply right before the offer ends in

mid-September. That would give you until mid-February 2026 to hit that \$4,000 minimum spend.

And remember, you do not want to hit the minimum spend on any of these cards until January 1st. Okay, that is where people make the biggest mistakes. They forget how much spend they've put on the card, they hit it early, the points post in 2025, and then you're out of luck with earning that Companion Pass for almost two full years.

So the other tricky part though, is if you want to earn it with just one card, anything you spend on the card now is going to count towards 2025. And so if you really want to like put all \$4,000 of that spend towards your 2026, you know, amount of points, then you're going to want to wait until your statement in December closes before you even start spending on the card.

So I'll give you an example. So, say I opened the card mid-September, I spent \$3,000 on the card, put it in my sock drawer. Those 3,000 points from that spend are going to post in 2025. And then if I got it out on January 1st and finished the rest of that \$1,000, 1,000 points are going to post in January. So you see what I'm saying? Like, if you want all 4,000 to hit in January, you're going to want to wait till your December statement closes.

If you did that, you would earn 4,000 points minimum from the minimum spend, you would earn 100,000 points from the welcome offer, you would get the 10,000 point Companion boost. That's going to put you at 114,000 Southwest points. So you have to make up 21,000 points if you want to earn the Companion Pass from one card.

You can do that by referring someone. Referrals are currently 20,000 points, and you can refer to any Southwest card. So no matter which personal card you open, you could refer to any other personal card, or you could refer to either of the business cards. So you could refer a player two, you could refer a friend or family member. That's 20,000 points. You just need one you need to make up 1,000 more points with spend. If you have a big spend coming up, you could spend \$21,000 on the card.

So you can get creative if you want to try and just earn the Companion Pass from one card. Like Alex said, the traditional way of doing it is opening one personal and one business card. Usually, one of the standard offer on the personal cards is 50,000 points, 80,000 business Performance, those two will get you the Companion Pass.

And so the biggest takeaway, do not spend your money in 2025. Spend, I like to, I don't even like to get close. Like if the minimum spend is \$4,000, don't go spend \$3,950 on your card. You know, I like to leave a \$500 buffer. You know, so the most I would spend before January or before my December statement closes is \$3,500 if \$4,000 is my minimum spend.

Every single year, it's going to happen, Alex. This year it's going to happen. We're going to be getting DMs from people. Pam is going to be getting emails saying, "I think I messed up. I gave this card to my husband. He went and bought new tires and he..." Don't give the card to your husband. Put the card in your sock drawer and keep tabs on how much you have spent on that card because this happens to dozens of people every single year.

Alex: Well, and what will happen too sometimes is if you have two cards, maybe you're like, oh, I thought I was using my business card, but I accidentally used my personal card. What I did last time I was earning the Companion Pass, when I was making sure that I didn't spend the card, I put, I mean, I put it away. I have like a binder that has like a business card binder where I keep all my cards in. But I was like, I don't want to accidentally pull that card out. I literally put a piece of tape over it that said, "Do not use till January 1st."

It is really, really easy to mess up, but it's also really easy to not mess up if you take a few just like really small things. Like one, don't give it to your husband. Two, take it out of your wallet and put a sticker on it that says "do not use". It's going to be really hard to use a card when you look at it and it has a big like piece of tape on it, masking tape that says do not use till January 1st. Now, you don't want to forget to then use it. So I would put a note on my phone, like a reminder that says that will go off on January 1st, put an alert on that's like, okay, get out your card and finish your spend because you don't it can

sometimes it's a tight window depending on when people apply. So you want to make sure you get it out in time to finish your spend.

Jess: Yeah. Well, the nice thing is if people do decide to go for this 100,000 point offer, I would honestly put it in like, not spend anything on it until like I said, until your statement in December closes, and then you're guaranteed to be fine, you know, because it's like...

Alex: Yeah, well, especially if you wait till the, I mean, if your spending can allow it, because it, you know, \$5,000 in just a couple months might be tricky, but if you wait to apply till like the day before the offer ends, you'll have to what, mid-February to complete your spend. So you're giving yourself a better, a bigger buffer to be able to hit that.

Jess: All right, we will be linking all of these Southwest cards in the show notes for today's episode. If you decide to apply, we would appreciate it so much if you apply through our links at no additional cost to you. Thank you so much for your support.

Alex: All right, I'm going to talk a little bit about what we call the three-card trick. Now, let me just preface this by saying, do not do this if you're not organized. If you, if you listen to the first part and you're like, oh, that sounded complicated. Like, how am I going to make sure I don't mess up and hit the spend? Don't do the three-card trick because this is even more things that you're going to have to remember and more timing involved than even that.

So how the three-card trick works is this allows both you and your Player 2 to have the Companion Pass at the same time by only opening three cards instead of four. So, how it would work is Player 1 would open the business Performance card, get that 80,000 points, and they would refer to any Southwest card for Player 2. So they could refer Player 2 to like any personal card, and then the business Performance. Player 2, between the personal card and the business Performance, would then have a Companion Pass.

The, like Jess said, the referral bonus is currently 20,000 points. So Player 1 will have earned 40,000 points for referring Player 2 to two Southwest cards. They

also earned 85,000 points by opening up that business Performance card. They also, so with the 85,000, because you get 5,000 for the minimum spend. So then they also will get the 10,000 points for being a cardholder. So the 10,000, the 40,000 in referrals, and the 85,000 is exactly 135,000 points. Now, the timing, like I said, is so critical because you got to make sure both referrals don't hit until January.

So I wouldn't refer probably till after your December statement closes, is what I would do to be extra safe. So that's what you're going to have to think of. And then, you know, if you time it right, you're both can have the pass for really close to two years. So you're going to have to make sure when you get the business Performance, you'd open it, you're not going to finish minimum spend till after January 1st. You're not going to refer Player 2 till after your December statement closes, and then Player 2 is going to meet their minimum spend on both of those cards after January 1st, and then you both have the pass for close to two years.

So like I said, a lot to keep straight, but we have seen people be successful in this. I know Megan did the three-card trick to earn the Companion Pass. We've had students, people in our Facebook group, where this has worked. It's just like, okay, you know, you've got to be very aware of when you're referring and when you're completing minimum spend because in the first way, the traditional way, you don't have to stress about referrals. That's the whole another thing that you're throwing in here with timing up your referrals.

So as long as you keep notes and you're, you know, you're organized, this is very doable and it's not that hard. It's just life is busy. You're going through the holidays, you're doing a lot of spending because of the holidays. It's really easy to grab the wrong card and mess this up. So you just have to be very type A at least for a couple of months while you're trying to earn the Southwest Companion Pass.

Jess: I think the other tricky thing about this method, in addition to the timing, is just because you're waiting to refer and that person is having to wait to put their spend on it, it's like all of a sudden you have two cards that you need to be hitting the minimum spend on to get that second Companion Pass. You know,

and so it's kind of if you have a lot of expenses, especially at the beginning of the year, it's it can be really helpful, but that's another tricky part is like your Player 2 won't earn the Companion Pass until they've met both of those minimum spends. But yeah, like Alex was saying, anytime you're relying on referral points to count towards that 135k, you got to wait until December statement closes to even refer and begin that process.

Jess: All right, Pam, tell us about some other miscellaneous things that our listeners probably want to know about the Companion Pass.

Pam: Well, first of all, I'm not talking a lot about the Companion Pass because I've never had the Companion Pass. My husband doesn't travel as much with me, so it just has never really made sense. I think it is the best deal in the world for travel for families. And if I had a family, I would absolutely go through this process, however hard it was to have. The other thing is Southwest has not had assigned seating, and I have hated it. So everybody knows I will travel Southwest maybe once a year, that's usually when we're traveling on a flight with Alex's kids. Other than that, so it just hasn't made sense for me, but boy, it is an amazing, amazing travel opportunity.

So when with the Companion Pass, you can name your companion on the Rapid Rewards® account once you have the pass. So as soon as you have that pass, you can name your companion. The thing that's really nice is that companion doesn't have to be your companion the whole time that you have that pass. You can change that companion three times each calendar year. And what's really nice is you can now do this online. I'm just curious, how often have you guys changed your companions?

Alex: I used to change more frequently because it would, like there was a time where I changed it to be a friend, or I changed it to Mitch if we were going somewhere without the kids. I would say for the last year, I haven't changed it. It's been the same. We did switch the kids that were on it, I believe. I switched it, I used to have my oldest, and then I switched it to my youngest because I was just thinking, you know, there might be some times where the other kids are in school, where I can take him just on a trip like with you, Mom, or something like

that. And I just changed it because I thought, you know, all I need is one of my kids on it, might as well change it to the one where we might, I might take him somewhere, but it's really nice.

You can do it online now. You used to have to call and that was really annoying. It goes fast, but it's just like, I don't want to have to make a phone call. I can just do this in two seconds online. So I don't change it out very frequently, but when I first had the past years ago, I did change it around a little more often. What about you, Jess?

Jess: I've never maxed out my three. I think I've changed it once. You know, like maybe I changed it to a friend and then I changed it back to Molly, but I think that's the extent of my changes.

Pam: Yeah, so it sounds like what they're offering you is very liberal and will work for most people. Now, one thing to note is that if you have a companion listed and you have a flight booked with that companion, you're not going to be able to book another flight with a new companion. You have to complete that flight with your current companion before you can change your companion.

These Companion Passes can be used on any flight wherever Southwest flies and as many times as you want. So you can just travel, travel, travel, and use that Companion Pass. It's not like, oh, I've got Companion Pass and we can go five times this year and that's it. No, you can go 30 times if you want to fly that many times with your Companion Pass.

You can add your companion at any time. So if you have a trip planned and then you go, oh, I think I'll take my child on it, or I think my husband would like to go with me. As long as the flight is not sold out, you can add a companion to that. I mean, it's just so easy.

Now, one thing to note, though, is that you cannot earn a Companion Pass by buying points. Those aren't going to count towards your Companion Pass or by transferring points from Chase. And we get a lot of people that think that they'll do that, the transferring points, but that isn't going isn't going to work.

Jess: Yeah, that's always kind of that's always kind of sad when someone messages us and they're like, I transferred 135,000 points to my Southwest account, but I'm not seeing my Companion Pass. And I'm like, oh, I am so sorry to tell you that those don't count. And I mean, you still get to use your points, but...

Pam: Yeah. Yeah, that's rough.

Alex: Yeah, I've also, you know, another way you can earn points is through the Southwest shopping portal. And we've seen people, like in our Facebook groups have mentioned that they've found times where they've, you know, earned a lot of points or you can book hotels through Southwest, which I would not do except in the situation where it's like, there's might be a bonus going on and you could earn more points. Just keep in mind, you won't get your hotel status if you had status with that hotel when you book through a portal, but that's an option too if you're really desperate and you're like, I just need some more points and you're looking to see, you could, you know, those are some things you could look into to see if there's some opportunities.

Jess: Yeah, I think the shopping portal is a great option, especially if you're in the situation where you just need a few thousand points to top up, you know, that would be a great option for that.

Alex: Like, let's say you didn't finish, you did your \$5,000, your \$4,000 spending on that, you know, the current offer that's \$5,000. Let's say you did your \$4,000 before, and those 4,000 points don't post in the right year, then you just got to find a way to earn 4,000 points with the shopping portal and that wouldn't be too hard.

Jess: All right, I'm going to go into some of the recent changes with the Southwest credit cards. They kind of overhauled their credit cards, their boarding process, their checked bag policies, their assigned seating, like everything is changing, I feel like with Southwest.

And we get a lot of, I felt like this would be a helpful addition to the episode because we get a lot of people who are like, I'm going to open these cards to

earn the Companion Pass, but then after a year, you know, after I've earned the Companion Pass and after I've had these cards for a year, what do I do? Like, do you keep them open? Do you cancel them? You know, there are not downgrade options with the Southwest cards. So your options are either keep it open or close it.

We're going to go into these changes and what we are planning to do. Well, Alex and I, Pam does not currently have any Southwest cards, but hey, maybe the assigned seating changes might change things for her. Overall, the changes to the credit cards are terrible. I'm not going to sugarcoat it. They increased all of the annual fees across the board. Some cards were a \$30 increase, some cards were a \$100 increase for the annual fee. That's a really big jump for a co-branded airline card.

As a refresher, because we have talked about this on Instagram, and we have blog posts about it, but as a Southwest cardholder, there are now a lot of perks that come with holding a Southwest card with these recent changes. An example, you no longer get two free checked bags on Southwest, but if you're a Southwest cardholder, you get one free checked bag for you and up to eight passengers on the same reservation. I feel like that's a very generous policy. And so that's a perk of being a cardholder.

You're also going to get free seat selection. The timing of when you can select your seats is going to depend on which card you have, but all cardholders, at some point, whether it's at booking or 48 hours before, are going to get free seat selection. And you also get group five boarding, which they consider priority boarding. There are eight boarding groups. I don't know if I would consider five "priority," but they are considering it priority. So the latest you will board is group five as a cardholder out of eight.

Some of the changes they made to the perks on the cards, no more early bird check-in or upgraded boarding credits for flights in 2026. That makes sense. They're having assigned seats now. They don't, you don't need to early bird check-in or upgraded boarding.

They also, I feel like they did us dirty because they got rid of the WiFi credits on one of the cards. That was one of my favorite perks of the card. They got rid of annual travel credits on some of the cards. They got rid of credits for transferring points between accounts as and that's all as of January 1st, 2026.

And so I'm a little bit salty that they increased the annual fees and then took away those perks. It's not really making sense to me. I guess they think that being able to select your seat and get priority boarding, and get a free checked bag, makes up for the loss of those credits. I don't know that I'm buying it.

I will say that I, so the personal Priority card, which has the highest annual fee, it's \$229, or the business Performance card, which has a \$299 annual fee. So basically, the two highest of each category, those are the ones that come with free seat selection at booking.

So I, as much as it pains me to pay that annual fee, I do not want to wait until 48 hours before departure to select my seats. To me, if that's the case, then 48 hours before is the new check-in 24 hours before. Like I don't want to take a gamble and wait until 48 hours before to select my seats, especially traveling with a family. You know, you don't want to have to sit separately from your kids or your spouse. And so it is worth it to me to pay. There are other perks of the cards. It's not just the seat selection, but it is worth it for me to pay that higher annual fee to keep one of those cards to be able to select seats for free at booking.

So I have the business Performance card. As of right now, I plan to always have the business Performance card for that reason. But if you wanted to do the thing where you only open one personal card and get the 100k points, that might be a reason to select the Priority as your card, if it is also important for you to be able to select seats at booking. What is your opinion on that, Alex?

Alex: Well, I have a question for you. Do you know why the Performance business is a higher annual fee than the personal Priority? Like, does it have another perk? I don't know. I need to like look at the benefits more because it's all just so new. I haven't like dug into it a ton. I was just like, okay, I get to choose my seats at booking. I will take this.

Jess: It does have, so the personal Priority has like 7,500 card member anniversary points that you get, and the business has 9,000. Agree that that's not like, oh, wow, 1,500 more points.

Alex: Yeah.

Jess: Okay, so the business also has the \$120 credit if you want to get Global Entry or PreCheck, and the Priority does not.

Alex: Which we have from like 12 other cards.

Jess: Yeah, so like for us, that's not a huge selling point. Mine is basically I have the Performance already and I don't want to take up a 5/24 spot with a Priority because I don't at this point, I don't need it. But yeah, I mean, it could make sense to just get the personal Priority because the annual fee is \$70 less.

Alex: Yeah, so kind of what I'm thinking is if you're not, because a lot of people they will after a while, they'll cancel these cards so they can get the Southwest Companion Pass again. If you're not planning on doing that and you're just planning on hanging on to these cards for these benefits, I it would might would be it would maybe be a case where I would consider upgrading my Plus to the Priority and only keeping that card instead of the business Performance because I don't, I would rather save \$70 than get 1,500 more points and another Global Entry credit.

So, but you know, I typically keep both of my cards open because I've been able to earn Companion Pass through referrals. And just a plug out there for our courses, we use referral links of our students when the referral links are higher than our affiliate link, and we've had students who have been able to earn Companion Pass through referral links because we've shared those. So it's pretty great. With the referral being 20,000 points, you can earn more than enough points for Companion Pass by maxing out both cards.

So I've kept both of mine for that. Most often, I'm referring friends and family, and I so I want to put that out there if you're not a student or you don't have these cards and you're like, well, I want to get the Companion Pass from referral

offers. Well, you might be able to. You just need to start talking about it because I mean, I think I think my sister earns a bunch of points every time that this offer goes up because she's had the Companion Pass for a while. She'll be like, you know, telling her friends and family about it that I was able to get my kids, you know, going to all my kids travel basketball tournaments this summer because of this card. So if you share about it, you might be able to get some referrals.

Jess: Hey, we may have convinced Pam to open a Southwest card.

Alex: Yeah.

Alex: We can convince Pam.

Pam: You know what? You guys have you guys did not convince me, but Southwest, I am probably one of the lone people who was happy about the changes. So if I can get priority boarding, get a good seat, not have to go through that cattle call of standing in the line, I will actually probably get the business Performance the next time it has an elevated offer. I don't want to use a 5 and 24 spot. I'm probably not going to go after Companion Pass because I'm probably not going to really use that, but you know, I might fly Southwest more now, and so I would definitely I'd be happy with the Rapid Rewards for it. I had it one time a long time ago, and I've slowly, I think I have a thousand Rapid Rewards left. So it's time for me to get some more.

Alex: Hey, you can transfer those to me. I have the business Performance and until January 1st, I can transfer up to \$500 worth of free transfers. If you don't want them, I will take them.

Jess: I will never forget when someone sent us a message and they were like, I think Pam's on my flight, but it's Southwest. And so I don't know if it's her. And it was you, Pam, because I think you were with Alex and her, you were with Alex and her, because and I was like, yes, it's her. She's with Alex and her kids. But I just thought it was so funny that someone was like, I think it's her, but I'm not sure because we're on Southwest.

Pam: Cause it's Southwest.

Alex: You know, and you have a lot of really good options on Southwest from Denver. You have so many direct flights that I'm actually really jealous of because we're often traveling through Denver to get wherever we need to go because we don't have as many from Salt Lake.

Pam: Yeah. It was just that stinking, you know, not knowing where I was going to sit... you know, what I was going to say

Alex: You and Ted.

Jess: I know. Ted was like, Ted was like, I think I'll fly, I'm willing to fly them again.

Pam: Yes, a few of us were happy with the changes, you know, definitely in the minority, but...

Alex: Well, the Southwest Companion Pass has been huge in helping us fly with our families for less and stretching our points even further. If you want to learn more about the Southwest Companion Pass and Southwest Airlines®, get our free ultimate guide to Southwest Airlines. We will link it in the show notes.

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