



A fun-filled splash party in the Fitness Pool at Meadowood Napa Valley.

Memory-Making Travel with Family and Friends

Dear Friends,

This year, help your travelers make moments matter. Whether their loved ones adore lingering meals around the dinner table together or feeling the exhilarating thrill of schussing down a challenging ski slope, our partners have a multitude of ways to reconnect with the important people in our lives.

Write another chapter in their family's story with a stay in a fairytale estate in the Irish or English countryside, perhaps taking over an entire royal residence with their brood, with every need attended to by discreet, attentive staff. For those who relish nature and its bounty, there are luxurious farm stays and gorgeous wine country estates, from Napa Valley to the Franschoek Wine Valley in South Africa. There are new horizons to conquer for all ages, including a resort in Nepal, customized Croatian vacations, and wildlife-rich adventures in Sri Lanka and East Africa.

As you undoubtedly already know, our partners go above and beyond to create exquisite settings for fostering connections with family and friends. Needs are anticipated, whims are welcomed, interests are inspired, and surprises are concocted to create the surroundings in which relationships are strengthened and life-long memories are made.

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For more information on any of these experiences or destinations below, please reach out and we will put you in touch with the right person to craft extraordinary, memory-making family and friend vacations.

Fondly,

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Rebecca at Meadowood Napa Valley



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[Dream Escape, United Kingdom and Ireland](#) - Uncovering the Magic of the UK, One Family Outing at a Time

Dream Escape is a multigenerational family travel expert. Families are so much a part of what they do and who they are. The team loves to share some of its fun and entertaining experiences to keep every member of the family engaged and inspired. From coasts to castles, admiring Banksy's works, or bog skies, these family-friendly adventures offer something a little different. Experience the heart, soul, and traditions of the British Isles and make unforgettable memories along the way.

- [Top 10 Culinary Kids Experiences](#): A round-up of some fun activities for the bakers and budding chefs in your client's brood, from joining a new Gordon Ramsay cooking school in Surrey to a foraging tour in the Highlands.
- [Gardens to Visit with the Children](#): An enchanting tour of favorite family-friendly gardens, the special kind where fairies hang their tiny washing lines, treetop walkways lead to spiral slides and hedged mazes provide hours of fun for kids big and small.
- [Best Family Days Out in England](#): Fantastic activities for all ages that bring history to life for mini-explorers, from unforgettable bucolic adventures to high jinks on Wimbledon's Centre court.
- [Best Family Days Out in Scotland](#): A collection of activities for nature lovers and active families in Scotland's awe-inspiring islands, highlands, and castles.



- [Best Family Days Out in Ireland](#): Adventures in Ireland, from verdant countryside to captivating surf and golden sands, for families to immerse themselves and revel in the Emerald Isle's rich culture, big thrills, and traditional Irish "craic."
- [Best Family Days Out in London](#): From urban art trails to family treasure hunts and adrenaline-pumping climbs, a different side of the capital and one of the most exciting and diverse cities in the world.



The Boat House at Aldourie Castle. Photo credit - Nick Law

[Aldourie Castle Estate, Inverness, Scotland](#) - An Inviting Highlands Retreat for Families and Friends

Nestled in the serene Scottish Highlands, Aldourie Castle offers an ideal getaway for friends and families seeking both relaxation and adventure. Situated on a vast 500-acre estate, Aldourie provides a range of activities tailored to suit guests of all ages and interests.

Families can enjoy bonding time on Loch Ness with activities like wild swimming or leisurely boat cruises from the charming boathouse. Nearby mountains offer hiking opportunities suitable for beginners and seasoned adventurers alike, promising memorable experiences amidst breathtaking scenery. Additionally, the castle's tranquil walled gardens provide a peaceful setting for leisurely strolls and picnics, adding to the charm of the estate.

What sets Aldourie apart is its focus on personalized experiences, ensuring that every guest's stay is carefully planned. From whisky tastings to Highland games, a range of activities are available to foster connections and create lasting memories.



[Park Hotel Kenmare, County Kerry, Ireland](#) - Bring Home Precious Memories, from Sheep to Shore

When guests enter a room in the Park Hotel Kenmare, they always smile at the toy sheep that sits on their bed. It's a symbol of the countless sheep that dot the landscapes throughout Kerry. When families stay at Park Hotel Kenmare, they're just a short drive away from Kennedy's Pet Farm, a great attraction for young and old. New arrivals on the farm are a regular occurrence and there is always a happy mother waiting to show off her new babies. In spring and early summer, guests will join in the fun of the lambs as they take their first steps.

Back at the hotel, The Lego Room is also a can't-miss attraction for all guests from 4-99 years old, as are family movie nights in the cinema, a cycle around Kenmare, or a swim in the wonderful Atlantic from Kenmare pier.

For those families seeking a locally immersive experience, the Dine in an Irish Home program fits the bill. Irish family life revolves around activity in the kitchen and the most important piece of furniture is the dinner table. Here the stories of the day are recounted, plans are made and there are always extra potatoes in the pot in case someone pops in. With ample notice, the hotel can arrange for guests to meet and dine with a local Irish family. The food is cooked and provided from the hotel kitchen and hosted in a private home. Meet the family and sample Irish home-cooked food, such as casseroles, Irish stew, roast chicken, apple tart and puddings, complemented by lots of chat and stories. Families will make lifelong friends and add many recipes to their collections.



[Lismore Castle, County Waterford, Ireland](#) - Make Connections at the Castle

Overlooking the picturesque banks of the Blackwater River in County Waterford, Ireland, Lismore Castle emerges as an exquisite haven where shared moments with friends and family culminate in unforgettable memories. As the cherished Irish home of the Duke & Duchess of Devonshire and their family, Lismore Castle invites groups to immerse themselves in its storied past and luxuriously appointed present.

With a history steeped in prestige and allure, Lismore Castle offers an unparalleled backdrop for intimate gatherings of family and friends. Originally constructed on the grounds of a 7th-century Abbey and hosting illustrious guests from Sir Walter Raleigh to Fred Astaire, Cecil Beaton, and beyond, the castle exudes a timeless charm that captivates all who pass through its gates.

While the castle's ancient walls whisper tales of bygone eras, its modern amenities – including ensuite bathrooms, a cinema room, and WiFi access – ensure that guests experience the perfect blend of historic grandeur and contemporary comfort. Lismore Castle offers a retreat where every need is anticipated, accommodating up to 27 guests with personalized service from the family's private staff, led by Denis Nevin. It's the ultimate destination for groups seeking a shared, unforgettable experience in the heart of Ireland's enchanting landscape.



[Meadowood Napa Valley, California](#) - Unwinding in Wine Country

Tucked in the heart of the Napa Valley, Meadowood offers families an unforgettable summer experience on a natural playground unique to Northern California. The property inaugurates summer fun on the Fourth of July with its annual Summer Splash fête. Families gather for a day filled with recreation and food, including music, games, poolside drinks, and snacks for all ages.

For the young and adventurous, Meadowood hosts a dynamic Youth Summer Sports Camp, where children can engage in athletic pursuits such as tennis, swimming, and golf, all under the guidance of skilled instructors. Parents can prioritize well-being with an itinerary customized around the estate's wellness offerings, including complimentary fitness classes or private lessons with Meadowood instructors, morning hikes along the Meadowood trails, rejuvenating body treatments at Meadowood Spa, or the Volley, Rally, and Relax Retreat in August, led by Meadowood's nationally ranked tennis pros.

In July, Forum's outdoor lounge transforms into an arena for game nights, offering an assortment of games to delight the entire family. Come August, you can unwind after a day of excitement with Movies at the Dive-In—a series of poolside screenings that feature beloved films under a relaxing and magical ambiance under the stars.

At Meadowood Napa Valley, summer is not just a season—it's a time for families to come together, create lasting memories, and bask in the joys of togetherness while enjoying the nature and splendor of wine country.



[Beyond Times Square, East Coast, United States](#) - Family-Friendly Fun (with a Little Education, Too)

Embark on a journey to the heart of New York City with [Beyond Times Square's](#) customized family adventures, where history meets modern-day excitement—making it the perfect “travel as a living classroom” experience for the kids.

BTSQ's [Celebrate USA](#) multiday travel experience is a fabulous option for family travel from Memorial Day through Labor Day—and don't forget about the Fourth of July! There's a history element—courtesy of a private tour to see Lady Liberty, Ellis Island, and the 9/11 Memorial and Museum. The arts are covered with premium seats to a Broadway show of your client's choice. And then there's just some good old-fashioned fun and fabulous views of the Manhattan skyline from the water on a luxury dinner cruise.

And of course, it's always possible to personalize the itinerary to your family client's interests. For instance—if they have younger children, add the [All Things Kids](#) private tour. This family-friendly experience starts with a VIP welcome by a toy soldier at FAO Schwarz, followed by a cool scavenger hunt at the American Museum of Natural History, concluding with playful encounters at the Central Park Zoo. It's a day packed with kid-friendly—and kid-approved—fun!

From historical journeys to interactive fun, let BTSQ guide your family through NYC for a summer filled with luxury, joy, learning, and unforgettable moments!



[Curtain Bluff, Antigua](#) - Connecting in the Caribbean

One of the Caribbean's most iconic luxury resorts, and boasting fabulous views of the Caribbean Sea, Curtain Bluff is a luxury all-inclusive, five-star sanctuary within easy reach of the historic English Harbour. From a wide range of watersports on two spectacular beaches, such as waterskiing, windsurfing, paddle-boating, tubing, kayaking, snorkeling, and Hobie Cat sailing, to tennis, pickleball, basketball, racket ball, and squash on land, Curtain Bluff is the ideal place to spend time with loved ones on an unforgettable family vacation. Children aged 3 to 10 can experience the [Cee Bee Kids Camp](#), which offers hands-on activities such as exploration of the property's herb garden, mocktail-making, and crafting free time in The Games Room, and outdoor physical play such as the mini Olympics. Together, intergenerational families can take yoga, tennis, and cooking classes, explore the property's garden areas, or simply relax on the beach or poolside, complete with world-class concierge service.



Uluru Aboriginal Dot Painting. Photo credit - Tourism Australia

[Southern Crossings, Australia, New Zealand, and the South Pacific](#) - Unique Luxury Travel Experiences for the Whole Crew

From toddlers to teens, Southern Crossings understands that every family is different, which is why every family holiday they curate is, too. Their Travel Designers are experts in thoughtfully planned itineraries that will engage and excite both the tiniest of little treasures and the trickiest of teens, while also indulging and delighting mom and dad (and perhaps the grandparents, too?).

The laid-back and friendly lifestyle Down Under combined with Australia, New Zealand, and Fiji's diverse range of landscapes and family-friendly experiences make for the ultimate vacation to excite all ages. From awesome animal encounters, bungee jumping, and cycling to ziplining and zorbing, there is an almost endless list of active adventures to be had—and best of all, “family-friendly” and “luxury travel” are not mutually exclusive Down Under.

Australia

Learn to surf at Sydney's Bondi Beach or climb the city's iconic Harbour Bridge; e-bike through the Blue Mountains World Heritage Wilderness, tour Melbourne's colorful laneways with a talented street artist (and even create one's own masterpiece memento) or learn the ancient techniques of Aboriginal dot art painting in Australia's Red Centre; snorkel with turtles over technicolor corals on Australia's Great Barrier Reef, swim with whale sharks (the gentle giants of the sea) on Australia's “other” great reef, walk with wallabies and wombats

in Tasmania and come face to face with koalas in South Australia, or drift gently beneath a canopy of figs and ferns in Far North Queensland's ancient Daintree Rainforest.

From the ocean to the outback, [Lizard Island](#) to [Longitude 131](#), most of Australia's luxury lodges warmly welcome children (from 10 years of age), some even providing dedicated family-friendly activities, including beach games, crafts, kites, and children's bikes. The Southern Crossings team also has access to some fabulous family-friendly private villas, beach houses, and exclusive-use islands—ideal for a multigenerational family celebration with space for everyone to come together, and space for everyone to call their own—the newest example: [Pelorus Private Island](#) on Australia's Great Barrier Reef (opened in December 2023) is an exclusive-use serviced island that welcomes families of all ages.



Enjoy Dart River Jet boating while at Blanket Bay.

New Zealand

New Zealand's wild landscapes and luxury lodges are the perfect partners for a most memorable family vacation, inviting the generations to hike, bike, fish, sail, or ski together in spectacular surrounds—beautiful beaches and unspoiled bushland, bubbling volcanoes, and snowy mountain peaks.

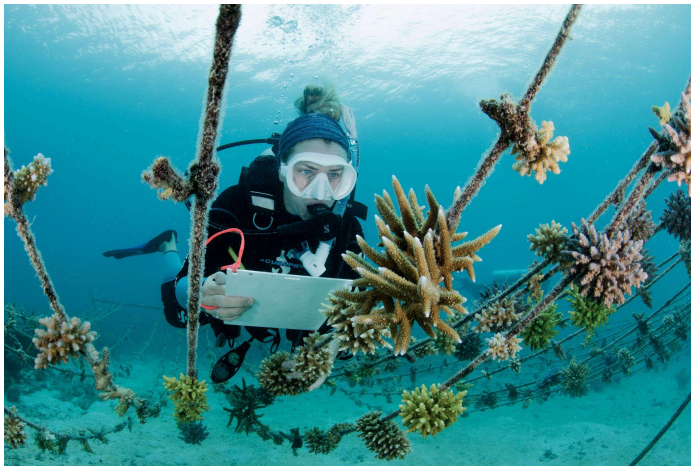
From lakeside to the mountain-top, beachfront, or high-country, the Southern Crossings team has access to some spectacular private villas with space for all of the family (such as the new [Lodge Lorien](#) or [Piwakawaka](#)) and many of New Zealand's luxury lodges welcome children while also pampering parents. Favorites include:

[Wharekauhau Country Estate](#) provides a quintessential New Zealand luxury farm-stay experience where families can enjoy activities such as archery, beach fishing, clay target shooting, ATV touring, and personalized farm experiences.

[Hapuku Treehouses](#) on the South Island's Kaikoura Coast invites families of all ages to live out their childhood fantasies of sleeping in a treehouse, while also offering a range of family-friendly activities from olive-picking and mountain-biking to dolphin swims and surfing.

Just a stone's throw from New Zealand's adventure capital, Queenstown, [Blanket Bay](#) provides the perfect base for families (children 10 years and older) to enjoy everything from hiking and horseback riding to jet-boating, fly-fishing, or heli-skiing.

Alternatively, a luxury private cruise aboard [Rua Moana](#) cruising between secluded beaches on the Bay of Islands' sparkling waterways can incorporate family adventures including snorkeling, fishing, jet skiing, paddleboarding, wakeboarding, and more.



Coral planting at Kokomo Private Island



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Fiji

There are few places on the planet that can claim to be more family-friendly than the idyllic islands of Fiji, with its palm-fringed beaches, spectacular swimming pools, breathtaking nature, and mile-wide smiles. There are "baby butlers" and nurturing nannies to cater to their tiny person's every need, kids clubs that educate and entertain with captivating craft and cultural activities, adrenalin-pumping activities to lure teenagers away from their screens (everything from snorkeling and surfing to deep-sea fishing adventures, learn-to-scuba dive courses and hands-on coral restoration projects), and more. From [Como](#), [Vomo](#), [Kokomo](#), and more, the Southern Crossings Travel Design team can match your family clients with the perfect Fiji island for their personality and interests.



[Resplendent Ceylon, Sri Lanka](#) - Inspiring a Love of Nature Through Travel

The Junior Ranger Program at Wild Coast Tented Lodge offers an immersive educational experience designed to foster environmental stewardship and a deeper appreciation for nature among young participants. Located in one of the most biodiverse regions on the planet, this program provides an unparalleled opportunity for children to connect with the natural world while learning about conservation principles and sustainable practices. Through a variety of hands-on activities, guided nature walks, and interactive workshops, junior rangers gain valuable knowledge about local ecosystems, wildlife, and the importance of preserving natural habitats. Led by experienced park rangers and environmental educators, participants engage in activities such as wildlife tracking, plant identification, and habitat restoration projects, allowing them to develop a strong sense of environmental responsibility and a commitment to conservation efforts. The program not only educates children about the importance of environmental conservation but also encourages them to become advocates for positive change in their communities. By instilling a sense of empowerment and fostering a connection to the natural world, this program equips young participants with the skills and knowledge they need to become future leaders in environmental protection and sustainability. The Junior Ranger Program at Wild Coast provides a transformative experience that not only educates and inspires young minds but also cultivates a lifelong passion for environmental stewardship and conservation.



[Ventours International, India, Sri Lanka, Maldives, Nepal, Bhutan, Tibet](#) - Wholesome Family Vacations in India

Is there a more thrilling family activity than embarking on a jungle safari in search of India's pride ... the mighty tiger. How about interacting up close with an elephant, or cycling through the streets and markets of Udaipur? Ventours has the inside connections to create exquisite family experiences. Here's a sampling:

Jeep Safari in Ranthambore: Prepare for an encounter with the Indian jungle's royalty in their natural habitat. From majestic tigers to the rarely spotted sloth bear, the park boasts a diverse wildlife population, some elusive and some proud, all waiting to be sighted. Traverse the wilderness in a private jeep with an expert naturalist.

Elephant Interaction at Dera Amer: This is a chance to interact with dearly loved and pampered elephants, rescued from a life of hard labor. Located amidst the rugged Aravalli range in Jaipur, one has the rare opportunity to connect with these gentle giants up close. Witness loved ones interacting with these marvelous creatures, feeding them, bathing and painting them with organic colors (if they're in the mood!) learning about their habits, and even taking a leisurely walk by their side through the arid landscape.

Cycling in Udaipur: Explore the streets of Udaipur, India's City of Lakes, on a cycling adventure with family. Delve into the picturesque city's rich history, vibrant culture, and impressive architecture. From serene lakes and bustling markets to the charm of its little villages, each turn brings a new adventure awaiting discovery. With knowledgeable guides leading the way, this cycling experience promises fun, laughter, and a unique perspective on one of India's prettiest destinations.



[Dwarika's Hotel Kathmandu and Dwarika's Resort, Dhulikhel, Nepal](#) - Find Family Peace in the Himalayas

Discover tranquility amidst the chaos of modern life with a luxurious escape to Dwarika's Resort in Dhulikhel and Dwarika's Hotel in Kathmandu. These exclusive destinations offer the ultimate setting for intimate family getaways, where every moment is infused with serenity and grandeur.

Nestled in the majestic hills of Dhulikhel, Dwarika's Resort beckons families to immerse themselves in nature's embrace. Explore lush landscapes, indulge in picnics on the sprawling farm, and partake in bespoke activities like art classes and pottery sessions designed to captivate guests of all ages. Revel in the resort's Himalayan Rock Salt House, Crystal House, and infinity pool with rejuvenating hot tubs, ensuring a pampered experience for every member of the family.

Meanwhile, Dwarika's Hotel in Kathmandu stands as an oasis of calm amidst the bustling city streets. Admire the intricate wooden architecture that tells the captivating tale of Kathmandu Valley and ancient Nepal. Spend evenings by the pool, basking in the city's vibrant energy while embracing the rich history that surrounds you. Unwind with family yoga and meditation sessions, surrendering to the enchanting allure of Nepal's mystique.

For those seeking respite from the chaos, Dwarika's Resort and Dwarika's Hotel offer a haven of luxury and tranquility, promising an unforgettable family retreat.



A dazzling sound and light show at a historic Parisian Church.

[Decouvertes, France](#) - Dreams Come True in Paris

Are your families dreaming of a Parisian adventure that ignites wonder and creates memories that sparkle forever? Decouvertes invites them to embark on a luxurious journey unlike any other, designed to captivate every member of the family. A few examples:

Sound & Light Show in Parisian Churches: Witness the grandeur of Parisian history come alive with a dazzling sound and light show. Immerse in a symphony of music and light within a breathtaking cathedral, transforming the space into a canvas of magic and intrigue.

VR Flight Over Paris: Imagine soaring through the Parisian sky, the Eiffel Tower at one's fingertips, and the Seine River shimmering below. Cutting-edge VR experience lets your family clients explore the city from a bird's-eye view, creating an unforgettable adrenaline rush.

Cité des Sciences & Planetarium: Families can embark on a voyage of discovery at the Cité des Sciences & Planetarium. Unravel the mysteries of the universe, explore interactive exhibits, and gaze at the stars in the state-of-the-art planetarium. This scientific wonderland will ignite the imaginations of all ages.

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Teen Shopping Extravaganza: Paris is a global fashion capital, and Decouvertes unlocks its secrets. Expert guides will whisk teenagers on a VIP shopping tour, navigating hidden gems and renowned boutiques. Discover the perfect Parisian ensemble to express their unique style.



Graffiti Workshop (Private & Safe): Channel one's inner artist with a private graffiti workshop. Under the guidance of a local maestro, families will learn the art of street art, creating a masterpiece on a designated canvas. This unique experience is a luxurious twist on a Parisian souvenir.

Ready to craft an unforgettable Parisian adventure for your family travelers? Let Decouvertes design the most luxurious and captivating experiences to make their Parisian dreams a reality.



[Curated Greece](#) - Creating Lasting Connections with Greece's Rich History and Culture

Greece is not just a destination; it's an odyssey waiting to be discovered. Curated Greece specializes in crafting intimate and immersive experiences that go beyond the ordinary, inspire deep connection, and ensure that every moment spent together becomes a cherished memory.

Picture horseback riding on volcanic beaches and painting pottery in Santorini's picturesque villages with local artisans, exploring the mysteries of ancient Greek mythology on private tours in Crete, and savoring culinary delights crafted by local producers and chefs on private farms on the island of Naxos. This land of myth and sun-kissed shores is perfectly suited for families and friends seeking a harmonious blend of leisure, nature, culture, adventure, and entertainment with endless possibilities, as vast as the azure Aegean Sea.

From exploring caves and coves and island hopping with private boat charters to sunlit picnics in olive groves and sophisticated wine tastings surrounded by vineyards, hiking enchanting trails, and exploring lands on an e-bike, Curated Greece tailors each experience to the unique desires and needs of your travelers.



[Dinaric Adventures, Croatia and Beyond](#) - Custom Croatia for the Whole Family

Whoever claimed adventure vacations are exclusively for groups of friends or couples couldn't be more mistaken. If your clients are families with children, invite them to explore Croatia and indulge in a memorable family adventure with Dinaric Adventures!

Dinaric's tailored experiences cater to families seeking excitement and fun in Croatia's breathtaking landscapes. From serene rafting trips on tranquil river sections to gentle mountain hikes along scenic trails, sea kayaking adventures along the coast, exhilarating zipline rides through lush forests, and quad excursions through rugged terrain, there's something for everyone.



But the excitement doesn't end there! Beyond thrilling adventure activities, there are other family-friendly options. Children can enjoy boat activities around picturesque islands, explore the wonders of Croatia's national parks, or relax at a resort boasting fantastic facilities for the whole family.

Dinaric Adventures DMC is dedicated to creating unforgettable moments and ensuring every family adventure is filled with joy, excitement, and safety.



[Hotel d'Angleterre, Geneva, Switzerland](#) - Fresh-Air Fun for the Adventurous Family

Hotel d'Angleterre prides itself on being one of the most family-friendly hotels in Switzerland. It offers several child-specific facilities and experiences to help children of all ages feel at home. Step outside and enjoy a picnic in one of the perfectly manicured parks or rent a bike and cycle along the lakefront.

In a country that's famed for its chocolate, a day trip to the medieval town of Gruyeres provides the opportunity to visit a real-life chocolate factory at Maison Cailler. For families seeking adventure, Geneva's proximity to world-class ski resorts (Chamonix and Megeve are located just one hour's drive from the hotel) means it's perfectly possible to take your family to the slopes for a day trip, with numerous shops in-resort offering ski clothing and equipment hire and ski schools offering lessons.

Hotel d'Angleterre also offers a variety of MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experiences, including a helicopter ride from the private airport to Sion, with unrivaled views of Lake Geneva, through the Lavaux and the Swiss mountains. After landing, families can visit Real Fly, Switzerland's first indoor skydiving simulator, for four flying sessions and feel the exhilaration of free-falling.



[Exeter Safari Company, Africa](#) - Family Adventures with Marataba Safari Lodge and Exeter Safari Company

Marataba Safari Lodge, located in the Marakele National Park in South Africa, and Exeter Safari Company offers a range of family-friendly activities that allow guests to immerse themselves in the beauty of the African bush while creating unforgettable memories together.

The Lodge offers morning and afternoon game drives that provide an opportunity for families to spot a diverse array of wildlife, including the Big Five as well as giraffes, zebras, antelopes, and numerous bird species. Walking safaris offer a more intimate and immersive experience, allowing guests to appreciate the smaller details of the African wilderness.

Marataba offers river cruises along the Matlabas River, allowing families to explore the waterways and observe wildlife from a different perspective. These leisurely cruises provide opportunities to see hippos, crocodiles, and bird species while enjoying the tranquility of the river surroundings.

The Junior Ranger program is designed to educate and entertain young guests. Children can participate in fun and educational activities such as bush walks, bug safaris, wildlife tracking, and interactive sessions on conservation. Families can gather around a campfire for stargazing while a guide points out constellations and shares fascinating stories about African mythology and astronomy. Marataba offers opportunities for families to engage with the local community, including visits to nearby villages, interactions with local artisans, and cultural performances.

Marataba offers a diverse range of activities tailored to families, ensuring an enriching and unforgettable safari experience for guests of all ages.



[Babylonstoren, Franschhoek Wine Valley, South Africa](#) - Farm Life Is the Best Life

Imagine this for your family clients: Waking up to the gentle sound of birdsong. Pedaling through fruit orchards and along vineyards before breakfast. Stopping to feed the farm donkeys or joining the gardening team to help harvest fruit and vegetables, collect eggs, and help the bakers knead and bake delicious farm bread. They may also come across roaming tortoises, chickens, turkeys, ducks, geese, and squirrels ... checking into Babylonstoren Farm Hotel is more than just a luxurious experience; it's checking out of the humdrum, immersing oneself in nature and attuning the mind and body to the rhythm of the farm.

Set on the foothills of the Simonsberg Mountain, the restored Cape Dutch farm is renowned for its sprawling gardens, vineyards, and orchards. It's a paradise for children and grown-ups alike and all farm activities are included in hotel stays. Young guests are invited to learn more about insects and see how they make their homes in the rubble, wood, and bark provided for them at the exclusive insect hotel in the garden. There are numerous trails around the farm perfect for cycling—complimentary mountain bikes are kept in the bicycle racks outside the guest cottages. Children are most welcome to join their parents on the daily farm walk or to go fishing or rowing on the farm dam. If they spot Babylonstoren's duck keeper, children can join him and his working ducks for a stroll. They can also feed the fish in the ponds and joining in on a special treasure hunt will certainly add to their excitement.

In addition to numerous family-friendly activities like visits to the herd of water buffalo, an essential oil tour, and a sunset mountain drive, Babylonstoren hosts several workshops each year specifically for young visitors where they'll learn how to grow their own veggies, discover the secret life of bees and insects, or carve their own pumpkins.



[The Twelve Apostles Hotel and Spa, Cape Town, South Africa](#) - Make Memories to Last a Lifetime

The Twelve Apostles Hotel and Spa is the ideal destination for families traveling to Cape Town. An array of in-house facilities and services ensure lifelong memories for young travelers, including a seasonal kids club, pizza- and milkshake-making, and a private cinema room with plush leather seating and, of course, complimentary popcorn and refreshments. With two hotel swimming pools and expansive indigenous gardens boasting a range of outdoor games, families are truly spoiled for choice. (Pool tip: the infinity pool is a wonderful vantage point from which to spot whales and dolphins in the Atlantic Ocean, while the quieter “rock pools” behind the hotel have the best views onto Table Mountain.)

Children of all ages are welcomed at the hotel, and guests aged 12 and below stay free of charge when sharing with two adults. The hotel provides a complimentary gift bag for kids on arrival, filled with a welcome gift and a souvenir card to redeem special treats throughout the hotel. Child-sized bathrobes are provided, with cots and playful sleeping “tents” included at no additional cost.

For parents hoping to enjoy a private dinner in the hotel’s acclaimed restaurant, a professional babysitting service can provide experienced care for the evening. For any and all family-related requests, the hotel’s dedicated Family Experience Manager is on hand, with expert knowledge of multigenerational activities, creative activity suggestions, and the ability to arrange special family outings.

Beyond the hotel, Cape Town offers an incredible selection of family-focused activities and tours. Whether it’s wildlife or adventure, museums, or outdoor entertainment, the hotel’s concierge team will gladly assist with recommendations, tours, and reservations.



[The Milestone Hotel & Residences](#) - Rolling Out the Red Carpet for Families

As a family-owned and -run collection, family values never stray far from the hearts of those at Red Carnation Hotels.

Located just minutes from Kensington Palace and the Royal Albert Hall, The Milestone Hotel rolls out the red carpet for families—from dedicated menus and cupcake decorating to mocktail mixology and a host of thoughtful personal touches. A range of interconnecting rooms and suites can comfortably accommodate up to 10 guests.

Consider one of The Milestone Residences for a true “home-away-from-home” experience in London. With six two- and three-bedroom luxury Residences, each with its own private entrance, guests and loved ones have access to all hotel services, including concierge, room service, and housekeeping. Everything is covered to ensure the family stay is both comfortable and memorable.

Create new memories in world-famous museums, spend an afternoon boating on The Serpentine in Hyde Park, with a picnic provided by the hotel, or take in a breathtaking show in London’s vibrant West End, all easily accessible from this exclusive location.



[Great Fosters Estate, Egham Surrey, England](#) - Living Like Royalty in London

When one stays at Great Fosters, they're not only close to London Heathrow International Airport, but they're perfectly placed for royal explorations, too. The hotel has interconnecting bedrooms and super-cute teepees for smaller guests, plus the allure of a heated outdoor pool (open until the end of September) - all the makings of a regal lifestyle during family time in London.

First on their list should be a day out at Windsor Castle, the oldest inhabited castle in the world. Headsets are available to guide one around the sights (there are separate audio tours for adults and younger visitors). Suggest a walk along the castle walls where they can see evidence of Windsor's role as an important royal fortress long ago and spot the battlements, towers, arrow loops, and murder holes! The State Apartments where the King entertains his guests are truly magnificent while St George's Chapel, the burial place of 11 monarchs, including Queen Elizabeth II, is one of the finest examples of Gothic architecture in England. And of course, your clients won't want to miss the spectacular Changing of the Guards ceremony - always a hit with all ages.

For pageantry of an even earlier era, plan a visit to the magnificent Hampton Court Palace to experience the public dramas (there are many!) and private lives of Henry VIII, his wives, and children in the world of the Tudor court. Admire the impressive Great Hall, Haunted Gallery, and the vast Tudor kitchens.



[The Hari, London, England](#) - Discover the Unexpected in London

At The Hari, guests are never far away from incredible experiences, especially those that are fit for the whole family. Countless attractions are within close reach of this beautiful Belgravia residence, making it the perfect destination to create memories as a family that will be cherished for a lifetime.

Located only a short walk away from The Hari, Buckingham Palace is a regal attraction not to be missed. Take in the astounding beauty of the official home of England's great monarch, before paying a visit to the palace's forecourt, where all can witness the incredible ceremony of Changing of the Guard. Afterward, head to nearby Hyde Park, where children of all ages will be entertained, whether by exploring Hyde Park Playground, taking a boat out on the Serpentine, or just discovering the beauty of its open green spaces.

Lastly, families can head to South Kensington to explore some of the world's greatest museums. Suggest a visit to The Natural History Museum to explore the infamous dinosaur gallery, immersion in the Science Museum's Equinor Gallery, or one of the many exhibitions at the Victoria and Albert Museum.



[Middlethorpe Hall & Spa, North Yorkshire, England](#) - Take a Walk Through Time in Yorkshire

What makes a trip memorable for a family traveling to the UK? For those who haven't visited before, they will no doubt notice that everything seems smaller and older ... a lot older. To capture the essence of English history, a special place to visit is York, where your clients can walk through much of the history of England.

A visit to the Yorkshire Museum reveals that the City was founded by the Romans in around AD 71, when it thrived under Roman rule. Moving through time to November 1st, AD 866, the Vikings invaded, led by Ivar The Boneless, and the city was renamed Jorvik. The Jorvik visitor attraction and museum relates the story of the Vikings in York and their invasion of the kingdom. Families will enjoy a walk around the city on York's old City Walls, the most complete in England, built mainly in the 13th century. York Minster, built to be the greatest cathedral in the kingdom over 250 years ago, keeps watch over the city center. The Shambles is another star attraction, one of the best-preserved medieval shopping streets in Europe dating back to the 14th century. Cobble streets and overhanging buildings are believed to have been the inspiration behind

Diagon Alley from the movie adaptation of the Harry Potter series. The National Railway Museum will no doubt be of interest, too, followed by a ride on a genuine, vintage steam train that will take travelers through the Yorkshire Moors. There is so much to see and do, both in York and the surrounding area, that the ideal base to stay is at Middlethorpe Hall, situated just a short distance from the city center. Here history continues, rewarding guests with very comfortable accommodations, excellent seasonal menus using locally sourced ingredients, and elegant drawing rooms looking out onto award-winning gardens. Built in 1699, this elegant house is beautifully preserved, offering a tranquil retreat from the busy city center. Parents can visit the health and beauty spa for well-deserved relaxation, a place to gather thoughts and digest experiences.



[The Hall at Bolton Abbey, Yorkshire, England](#) - A Manor for Making Memories

Immersing oneself in the setting and history of The Hall at Bolton Abbey is not just a holiday; it's a shared experience that becomes all the more enriching when enjoyed with friends and family. This 14th-century manor, nestled within the sprawling 30,000-acre Yorkshire Dales estate, offers the perfect setting for creating lasting memories with your loved ones.

The extensive accommodation, boasting 12 meticulously designed bedrooms, provides ample space for up to 22 guests to come together and revel in each other's company. Whether it's reminiscing by the fireside in the comfortable lounges, savoring gourmet meals prepared by skilled chefs, or exploring the picturesque grounds hand in hand, The Hall offers a harmonious blend of privacy and communal spaces ideal for group gatherings.

In this exclusive haven curated by the illustrious Devonshire family, the stage is set for a truly unforgettable escapade where bonds are strengthened, laughter echoes through the halls, and shared stories are created.



[Bodysgallen Hall & Spa, Llandudno, North Wales](#) - Fun-Filled Family Holidays in the Conwy Valley

Staying at Bodysgallen Hall & Spa is experiencing a piece of history. The 17th-century Grade 1 listed house has a central tower dating back to the 13th century and oak-paneled rooms that bear the heraldry of families who lived here from 1620. Nooks and crannies evoke the imagination of times past, while modern comforts and impeccable service ensure that the luxurious surroundings are firmly rooted in the present. Renowned for its excellent food offering, Bodysgallen Hall offers a full cooked-to-order breakfast, and perfect after a day of exploration, a Welsh Afternoon Tea.

Adventure starts here, surrounded by over 200 acres of wooded parkland and magnificent gardens. Bodysgallen Hall commands views across the Conwy Valley to Conwy Castle and the mountains of Snowdonia (Eryri). Guests are encouraged to venture out and explore the wonderful surroundings: a Welsh landscape of natural beauty offering medieval castles, mountains, sea, sandy beaches, coastal walks, country parks, and wildlife, all within a short drive. For those who seek the thrill of a challenge, there's ZipWorld, with the longest and fastest zipline crossing high above a quarry, or the Snowdonia Water Park, with wave surfing and other water sports. Discover the island of Anglesey, separated from the mainland of North Wales by the Menai Straits, home to a sea zoo, an old copper mine, salt beds, and more. A rib ride can take passengers through the straits and around Puffin Island.

The medieval town of Conwy, with its 13th-century castle and ancient town walls, lies just across the River Conwy. The Victorian seaside town of Llandudno, with its corniche and sandy beach, is off in the other direction. Tram rides are available to the top of the Great Orme to meet some special long-haired goats and for breathtaking panoramic views. Staying at Bodysgallen Hall will give you a true taste of Wales and is particularly suited to families with older children (age 8 and older) and mixed generations.



[Hartwell House Hotel & Spa, Buckinghamshire, England](#) - A Restful Retreat for All Ages, with Easy London Access

Nestled amidst picturesque countryside, Hartwell House provides a tranquil escape from the hustle and bustle of everyday life. The 90 acres of gardens and parkland offer a retreat where our guests can reconnect with nature and enjoy leisurely strolls exploring the many statues, monuments, and follies.

At Hartwell House, guests can enjoy the exclusive privilege of complimentary access to nearby National Trust properties and attractions. From exploring Manor Houses to manicured gardens and historic landmarks, there really is something for everyone.

For those Harry Potter fans, Warner Bros. Studios is located only 40 minutes' drive from the hotel. Visitors can walk in the footsteps of Harry Potter and explore the wonders of the Wizarding World. Roald Dahl lived in the quiet village of Great Missenden, where he wrote all of his books over 36 years. Located only 20 minutes from the hotel, the Museum and Story Centre features three packed galleries, all featuring original material from the Roald Dahl archives.

Finally, located less than one hour from Central London, Hartwell House offers families the perfect blend of the peaceful countryside and easy access to the activities of the city, from West End musicals to the London Eye to Madame Tussauds – endless attractions ensuring a memorable experience for all the family.