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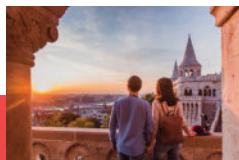
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MISS MAKING MEMORIES?

A Hilton survey reveals 64% of Brits long to make new memories after travel experiences were limited in 2020, with 71% saying they value travel even more.



Many Brits long to make memories around the world in 2021.

RESEARCH CONDUCTED by Hilton has revealed that travel has created some of Brits' favourite memories; holidaymakers feel that loss more than ever in 2020.

64% of Brits said making memories is the part of travel they long for the most, with 73% of Generation Z feeling cheated of the chance to create new travel memories in 2020.

Optimistically, almost three quarters (71%) feel that the pandemic has made them more appreciative of travel and the memories it helps create. Nearly four in 10 (39%) were more reflective than usual, reminiscing on past holidays and considering future destinations.

Six in 10 respondents admitted they even miss the more negative elements of holidaying; 21% have longed for the early wake-up call to travel to the airport, 17% missed waiting in departures and 15% even miss the panic of double and triple checking they had remembered their passport.

Of those who travelled, over a third (34%) spent less time on social media on holiday, and more than half (51%) said they had wasted too much time on previous holidays trying to capture the perfect shot and wanted to spend more time making memories with their family.

Nearly one in four (23%) said they paused social media posts, as they wanted

to be sensitive to family and friends who hadn't been able to get away and one in five (20%) posted 'throwback' pictures of holidays to cheer themselves up.

Looking ahead, 71% said they will appreciate travel even more once they can start travelling again, with almost half (47%) wishing they had taken more photos on previous holidays. More than two-thirds (69%) of under-35s are planning trips for next year, with 23% looking at once-in-a-lifetime trips.

With pent up travel demand growing, the average Brit hopes to take two foreign trips next year – a potential market of 132 million holidays.

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Azamara launches educational video series

AZAMARA HAS launched a new masterclass series of on-demand videos every month, which started December 3, to support its loyal travel advisors and consultants.

The new Azamara World Academy videos will be hosted on the brand's online portal Azamara Connect. The videos will provide destination-based education and modules that help travel consultants to optimise business and boost sales. Starting with Destination Immersion experiences, Azamara has provided three 60-minute webinars around country-intensive voyages, focused on France, Spain Italy, and Greece.

Some of the upcoming informational videos include: The Azamara Consumer, Sales Tips and Tricks, A



The video series will help agents sell destinations with confidence.

How-To Marketing Guide, Offers and Promotions, Crafting the Perfect Story, and How to Gauge Success. Travel advisors can register for the series through the Azamara Connect travel partner portal.

Azamara's associate vice president of sales and trade support, Nils Lindstad, said, "We are pleased to introduce our new Masterclass Series

of on-demand videos in an effort to support our loyal trade partners during this very difficult time for the industry. We value our resilient trade partners and will continue to support their business during these challenging times."

To register for the series, visit <http://azamaraconnect.com>

LUXICO to launch Ultra Villa collection in 2021

LUXICO, THE luxury-focused home hotel company, which manages high-end Australian villas across six destinations, showcased its offerings for the New Year at this year's Australia Marketplace.

Travel Bulletin spoke to Alexandra Ormerod, the co-founder of LUXICO, about the changing travel trends of 2020 at the virtual conference. She said, "We are seeing some interesting trends... when people are travelling, they don't want to be in shared accommodation spaces so much

anymore. September next year is when we are hoping to see travel permitted, so we are prepared for that."

The company will be launching its 'Ultra Villa' collection, which will consist of prestigious homes, villas and estates. The properties will have a private butler, high-end grocery provisioning, a maid service, and a mini bar.

LUXICO works directly with travel agents, and all its rates are commissionable.

www.luxico.com.au

A pause for Princess

PRINCESS CRUISES is extending a pause in global operations.

This is to allow time for the preparation needed for completing required activities prior to sailing, taking into consideration the seven-day cap on itineraries that call at any U.S. ports.

The cruise operations impacted include all cruises sailing through March 31, 2021, and all cruises longer than seven days, sailing in and out of U.S. ports through November 1, 2021.

Additionally, due to the uncertainty about when international travel restrictions might be lifted, Princess Cruises is extending its pause in operations for cruises departing in and out of Japan through June 25, 2021.



Guests currently booked on these cancelled voyages will receive a Refundable Future Cruise Credit equivalent to 100% of the cruise fare, or, they can request a full refund. Princess will also protect all travel agent commissions for cancelled cruise bookings.

www.princess.com/plan/impacted-and-cancelled-cruises/



Journey Latin America launches Trailblazer Holidays

JOURNEY LATIN America has launched a new holiday concept — Trailblazer Holidays.

This new COVID-conscious holiday style is for pioneering spirits seeking an element of adventure, and offers travellers the opportunity to be the first to experience a country's key attractions once restrictions are lifted. The slower pace of the itineraries has been specifically created with the health of the traveller at the heart of planning, and are designed to incorporate just a few select hotels set in secluded locations that will form a base for explorations. Where possible, Trailblazer itineraries are based on private services and overland transportation, either in a private vehicle with a driver or as a self-drive to facilitate 'bubble' arrangements.

www.journeylatinamerica.co.uk

VIVA Cruises launches itineraries on the North and Baltic Seas

VIVA CRUISES is launching four new itineraries on the North and Baltic Seas aboard the company's first ever expedition ship, MS SEAVENTURE. The new cruises will start in April 2021 and have a capacity for 164 guests.

MS SEAVENTURE's maiden voyage, 'Springtime Maritime Experiences', will take place from April 18-25, 2021, departing from and arriving to the German city of Bremerhaven. From here, the seven-night cruise will take guests to Wismar (Germany), Stettin (Poland); Stralsund (Germany); Copenhagen (Denmark); Heligoland (Germany); and Hamburg (Germany). Prices



MS SEAVENTURE's size will allow it to enter remote harbours.

start from €2,795 per person in an outside cabin. The ship will then sail on three further seven-night cruises whose first and last port will also be Bremerhaven. These itineraries will be visiting Malmö and Gothenburg (Sweden), Kristiansand (Norway) and Sylt (Germany). These cruises similarly start from €2,795 per person in an

outside cabin.

To celebrate the launch, VIVA Cruises is offering a €350 voucher to be redeemed across VIVA Cruises' European river itineraries in 2021 when booking a cruise on MS SEAVENTURE before December 31, 2020.

www.viva-cruises.com/en

The Sarojin launches 'Sarojin Cares Adventure' package for 2021

THAILAND'S FIVE-STAR residence, The Sarojin, has launched a new 'Sarojin Cares Adventure' package for travellers to explore Khao Lak's jungles, waters, wildlife, and communities in 2021.

The package includes a bamboo raft jungle safari, a longtail boat experience and a personalised tour to discover an authentic glimpse of local Thai life. From £1,972, two guests can enjoy seven nights in a Garden Residence between May 4 and October 24, 2021, a 'Just For Two' Sea Adventures trip to Phang Nga Bay, a Jungle Adventures trip to Khao Sok, a 'Day in the Life of a Local' personalised tour and more.

www.sarojin.com

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AGENT INSIGHT

SANDRA MURRAY NORMANTON, YORKSHIRE

I HOPE everyone is doing their best with sticking to the COVID-19 guidelines; it is the only way to beat it.

I have a little warning for those of you that are keen sunbathers – wear a high factor protection. I mention this because I love the sun and sit out in it at any opportunity, especially if I'm on holiday. In the past, I never used a high factor – I used 2, 4 and 6, and I didn't spend much time in the shade! My friends always said I was daft.

I have had a scab on my forehead for a while and decided to get it checked out at the hospital's dermatology department. I saw a lovely doctor who said there were three kinds of skin cancer: the good, the bad, and the ugly. He said I had the 'good', but I would have to undergo plastic surgery that would probably leave a scar. I said, "I'm not too bothered about having a scar – it can join my pacemaker scar!" I asked him if I would still be able to sunbathe and he said yes, as long as I used a high factor protection cream and didn't sit in the sun between 12pm and 2pm. I can cope with that, but I know I am not the only one that loves the sun, and just wanted to pass on this advice to people that love the sun. Please be safe!

Thank goodness it looks as if people are going to be able to spend Christmas with close family members. I also hope the travel shops will be able to open again. I know people can work from home, but it is much easier to sell to someone if they are in front of you and you can paint them a picture of where they want to go. It is good news that quarantine periods are going to be cut as well.

I read that TUI has delayed paying hoteliers until next year. I think that it is wrong – considering refunds are already taking a long time for customers and the trade – and they decide to do this, it doesn't seem right at all.

'If we are facing in the right direction, all we have to do is keep on walking.'

For all comments or questions, email s.murray922@btinternet.com



EXPLORE ALBERTA and British Columbia with Canadian Affair's western Canada Motorhome journey. Travellers will have the chance to see the Rocky Mountains and its lakes and wildlife on a versatile motorhome break. This diverse getaway across the Canadian wilderness, including flights, starts at £599 per person based on two sharing. Travel dates span April to October, 2021. www.canadianaffair.com

Aurora Expeditions to launch the Sylvia Earle

THE MAIDEN voyage of Aurora Expeditions' new ship, the Sylvia Earle, will sail in November, 2021, and offers earlybird discounts of 25%.

The collection of worldwide voyages will include visits to remote Mission Blue Hope Spots, championed by Dr. Sylvia Earle – the celebrated marine biologist and the ship's namesake. The expeditions to Mission Blue Hope Spots hope to highlight the importance of conserving the biodiverse marine areas which are critical to the health of the oceans.

The global 2022 programme offers 12 new itineraries, between April and October to remote expedition destinations, including Alaska and Haida Gwaii, the North West Passage, Baja California, Raja Ampat, West Papua, and the Russian Far East.



The Sylvia Earle will take travellers to remote spots that are key to the conservation of the oceans

Monique Ponfoort, chief executive officer of Aurora Expeditions, explained, "Our purpose built expedition ships are designed to connect our expeditioners with the world's most intrepid and unique environments."

For more on Aurora Expeditions and its purpose-built expedition ships, visit www.auroraexpeditions.co.uk



GOLD MEDAL has revealed details of its Peaks campaign materials – which has been designed to provide agents with as much support and resources as possible. The campaign materials encompass social media offers and content, a digital worldwide sales brochure that agents can overbrand, the worldwide travel magazine and a ‘Little Book of Incredible Journeys’, and feature the new Gold Medal branding alongside that of Pure Luxury, Cruise Plus and Incredible Journeys. Materials will be available throughout January and February, 2021, and will be shared with agents across the country. www.goldmedal.co.uk

AGENT INCENTIVES

- **OCEANIA CRUISES** is launching its ‘Go for Gold’ campaign, whereby agents can win daily prizes as a result of bookings. Agents can earn up to quadruple complimentary points from now until December 15, 2020, based on confirmed bookings made. At the end of the month, one agent will be chosen at random and receive an additional 100 points. All points must be redeemed on select sailings within seven days of the prize being revealed. Points can be transferred into vouchers worth £25 or £50 via the website or app. Visit www.oceaniarewards.com.
- **IF ONLY...** is offering agents the chance to experience a visit to Aruba via their new campaign ‘Aruba – Find Your Rhythm’. Working in conjunction with Aruba Tourism Authority and key hotel partners, the campaign will include a digital destination guide for agents and their customers, which will incorporate a feature on socially distanced activities. When agents make a booking for Aruba during the campaign, they will automatically be entered into a draw to win an eight-night stay on the island. At the end of the campaign, the agent who has booked the greatest total number of room nights to Aruba will scoop the grand prize. Find out more at www.ifonly.co/agent-incentive.



AGENT TRAINING

THE BARBADOS Elite Club training programme is designed to help agents discover the best of Barbados. BTMI ensures that agents receive the highest level of support, by equipping them with the necessary information to sell the beautiful island. Agents will receive a welcome gift for the first module completed and top performers will also be eligible for additional benefits, including fam trips and high street voucher rewards.

www.travelbulletin.co.uk/travelgym

AMAWATERWAYS HAS announced the launch of its new AmaAcademy Course – “The Danube River with AmaWaterways”. Available to travel agents through the luxury river cruise line’s Travel Agent Portal on its website, the course material was designed to help agents grow their sales from the increasingly popular river cruise sector.

These tools provide ongoing education, rewards and actionable resources to help stimulate new leads for future river cruises. www.amawaterways.co.uk



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COMPETITIONS

Learn more about the beautiful coastal town of Bar in Montenegro & have the chance of winning a seven-night stay for two people in private deluxe accommodation in 2021, the runner up prize is a £50 John Lewis voucher.

Win a bottle of Champagne with Hummingbird Travel.

For all competitions, visit <https://www.travelbulletin.co.uk/competitions>

Jet2 reveals Iceland programme for winter 2021/22

FROM 2021, Jet2 will fly to Iceland, departing from Belfast International, Birmingham, East Midlands, Leeds Bradford, Glasgow, Edinburgh, Newcastle, Manchester and London Stansted Airports.

37 three- and four-night trips are on offer, including twice-weekly services from Manchester and Birmingham from September 30 to November 22, 2021 and February 10 to April 25, 2022, perfectly timed for those wanting to experience the Northern Lights.

Beyond the Northern Lights experiences, city breaks to Reykjavik and the Golden Circle are also on offer.

Agents can customise holidays with flight-only and package options, available to suit clients' needs. Packages are available with a low



The Northern Lights are one of Jet2's offerings for winter 2021/22.

deposit scheme of £60 per person. Jet2CityBreaks' package options include a Northern Lights tour, flights with Jet2, including 22kg hold luggage and airport transfers, with a choice of three- and four-star hotels in Reykjavik as a base to explore and experience Icelandic offerings and excursions.

Steve Heapy, CEO of

Jet2.com and Jet2holidays, said, "We are delighted to be announcing a new programme of scheduled services and once-in-a-lifetime trips to Iceland for Winter 2021/22... independent travel agents can now offer customers great choice and flexibility."

www.jet2.com

'Work from Windjammer' at Windjammer Landing Resort

NOW THAT many have adapted to a 'work from home' lifestyle this year, Windjammer Landing Beach Resort has launched the 'Work from Windjammer' package, providing a work/life balance in a luxury resort setting.

Spacious villas with office-ready rooms equipped with fast and secure wifi, a computer desk and office chair are available from £213 per night. Onsite IT support is available at the resort, and lunch break or post-work activities including snorkelling, sunbathing and spa treatments are available,

with an onsite St Lucia specialist available to support bookings and excursions.

The package also includes daily housekeeping, laundry services, and five restaurants and four bars on site. Access to a fully equipped fitness centre and a kid's club operating from 9am to 5pm are also available.

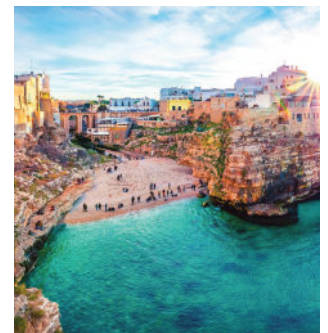
Guests who book a stay between now and December 18, 2021 by December 19, 2020 can enjoy 50% off their total stay and \$150 spa credit.

www.windjammer-landing.com

Titan announces 2022 European departures

ESCORTED TOURING specialist Titan Travel has scheduled over 60 worldwide and European tours, including 10 of its European packages, which are now available to book for 2022.

Offerings include the eight-day 'Puglia - Discover the Heel of Italy', starting at £1,579 per person, 'Sorrento and the Amalfi Coast', starting at £1,499 per person, the 10-day 'Classic Croatia - Star of the Adriatic', starting at £1,599 per person, the eight-day 'Switzerland's Spectacular Rail Journeys' from £2,099 per person, and the eight-day 'Little Boats of Catalonia' tour from £1,179 per person. All tours include Titan's door-to-door transfers, accommodation, and certain meals and excursions.



Travellers booking before March 1, 2021, will benefit from Titan's £49 per person flexi deposit on most tours, giving clients unlimited booking changes at no extra cost up to 75 days before departure.

For more information, visit www.titanagents.co.uk



A blooming lovely time in Japan with Audley Travel

WITH THE 2021 cherry blossom season likely to be missed for most international travellers, Audley Travel has opened bookings for the 2022 season.

From Okinawa in early February to Hokkaido by the end of May, the cherry blossom season is a bucket list trip for many.

A nine-day trip on Audley Travel's 'Japan's cities: Tokyo & Kyoto' starts at £3,865 per person for travel in March or April 2022, including flights, accommodation, transfers and excursions.

www.audleytravel.com

SUDOKU

Win a £50 M&S voucher in the *travelbulletin* Su Doku prize puzzle A

Fill in all the squares in the grid so that each row, column and each of the 3 x 3 squares contains the digits 1-9.

Once you have completed the puzzle, simply identify the numbers that relate to the letters, A, B, C and D then e-mail the solution, with your name, company name, and full postal address plus phone and ABTA number if applicable to:

competition@travelbulletin.co.uk

Closing date for entries is Thursday, December 17th. Solution and new puzzle will appear next week.

The winner for November 20th is David Grist from H-C Travel.

November 20th Solution: A=8 B=5 C=9 D=2

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	7		2	3		8	4	6
B	1		4		8		7	3
	9	5			4			8
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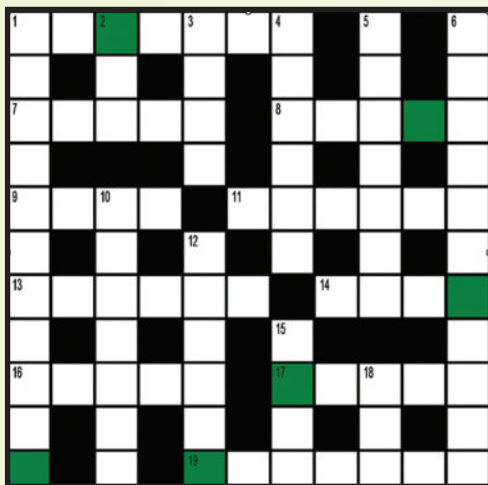


WHERE AM I?

This Caribbean capital is famous for its British colonial architecture, 17th Century garrison and horse-racing track. The bay is home to six shipwreck diving sites and Nidhe Israel Synagogue and its museum is a tribute to the Jewish history of the area, dating back to 1654.

CROSSWORD

Fill in the crossword to reveal the mystery location highlighted by the green squares.



Across

- 1 Hotel brand and Scottish emblem (7)
- 7 Transport system (5)
- 8 Dublin Swift is one of the ships operated by ____ Ferries (5)
- 9 Fashion magazine which originated in France (4)
- 11 American actor, Al ____ (6)
- 13 Capital of Dominica (6)
- 14 Walkway/entertainment area built over the sea (4)
- 16 European language (5)
- 17 Capital of Ghana (5)
- 19 Pilgrimage town at the foot of the Pyrenees (7)
- 12 Jennifer Aniston played this character in Friends (6)
- 15 Capital of Azerbaijan (4)
- 18 Massachusetts Cape, sounds fishy (3)

Down

- 1 Celebrity chef on a mission to save Britain's pubs (3,8)
- 2 Istanbul international airport code (3)
- 3 In mythology, Odin's son (4)
- 4 Carrier with HQ in Abu Dhabi (6)
- 5 Capital of Georgia (7)
- 6 Scottish point on the End to End journey (4,1',6)
- 10 Maseru is the capital (7)

Mystery Word: ISRAEL Where am I? - Bridgetown, Barbados

Solution:
 Across: 1 THISTLE, 7 METRO, 8 IRISH, 9 ELLE, 11 PACINO, 13 ROSEAU, 14 PIER, 16 DUTCH, 17 ACRA, 19 LOURDES.
 Down: 1 TOM KERRIDGE, 2 IST, 3 THOR, 4 ETIHAD, 5 TIBLISI, 6 JOHN O' GROATS, 10 LESOTHO, 12 RACHEL, 15 BAKU, 18 COD.

Industry insight by...



Steve Witt and Paul Harrison, co-founders of Not Just Travel, and its sister arm, The Travel Franchise, reflect on a tough year and look towards a brighter future.

THIS YEAR has been tough for the travel industry. It is a year we could never have seen coming, but as an industry, we think we should be incredibly proud of the way we have all pulled together through it and worked harder than ever to support each other and our clients. We can't, of course, end the year without mentioning how hard it has been; we need to acknowledge and highlight the lows otherwise it doesn't seem real, but we also need to celebrate how far we have come and take stock of our successes.

There is still business out there to be had – Not Just

Travel is proof of that. People still want holidays, and if anything, they need them more because we have all missed them this year; the will to explore is still there. Travel may look different in the future, but it's still a big industry, there are still customers looking for help

and support, you may just have to work harder to find them or evolve the way you do business – it's taken a knock, but people still want to travel.

We launched Not Just Travel the day before 9/11, so we understand how to navigate through tough

times. Back then, the issue was different – no-one wanted to travel. This time, people are desperate to travel but they can't. It is about sustaining business until people have freedom to travel again, and there will be a big peak in booking.

Now of course, traditionally Peaks run from December to March – this coming year they will look very different. A lot of people are already booking ahead for their 2021 and 2022 holidays. In fact, we believe more people will take more holidays, and bigger and better ones, as they have missed out in 2020. We think we will see a prolonged Peaks, with more bookings over a longer period as confidence returns. We are already seeing more bookings and more confidence as news of possible vaccines hit the headlines.

So, we want to say well done everyone – we have made it through the toughest year in travel. You should all be very proud of yourselves. This is an incredible industry, and we have never been prouder to be a part of it. Have a wonderful Christmas and New Year and here's to a brighter 2021.

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CHRISTMAS TIDINGS

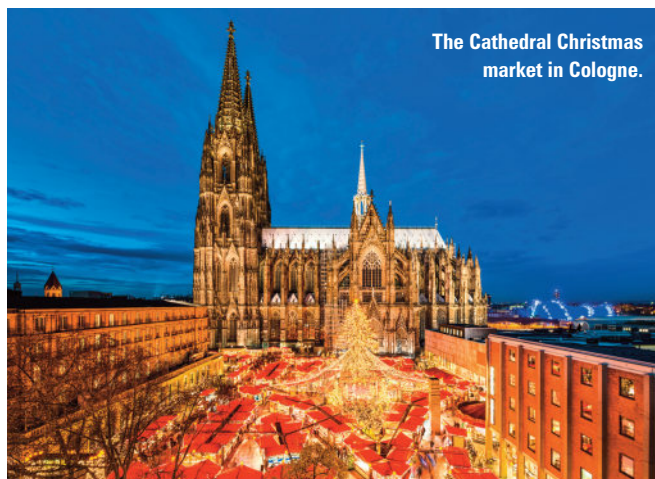
Riviera Travel's 'Enchanting Rhine & Yuletide Markets River Cruise' offers a trip to famous Christmas markets across the Rhine Valley in Bonn, Koblenz and Cologne.

RIVIERA TRAVEL'S 'Enchanting Rhine & Yuletide Markets River Cruise' offers guests the chance to visit some of the most famous Christmas markets and historical landmarks across the Rhine Valley, Bonn, Koblenz and Cologne.

The five-day trip offers ample time for tours and excursions, as well as strolls through Christmas markets, indulging in some local delicacies, before coming back on board.

Some of the highlights of the trip include a guided tour of Rudesheim town and a visit to the Christmas shop where guests can find seasonal gifts, as well as a taste of Rudesheim coffee, which consists of a shot of locally distilled Asbach brandy with a serving of whipped cream.

Koblenz's Christmas market is one of the largest in the Rhineland and has



plenty of traditional Christmas delicacies on offer, including the Stollen – a delicious bread available at the Christmas bakery, which is made with candied and dried fruit, nuts and marzipan.

A visit to the historic city of Bonn, also known as the birthplace of Ludwig van Beethoven, comes next. Bonn has an impressive seasonal market, centred around the old town.

Cologne will be the last stop, where guests can immerse themselves in the city's seven Yuletide markets, each of which has its own unique theme and the largest Christmas tree in Rhineland.

Prices start at £829 per person for five days, based on a December 6, 2021 departure from London Stansted.

www.rivieratravel.co.uk

Visit The Chernobyl Power Plant in Kiev with Exodus Travels

EXODUS TRAVELS brings a rare opportunity for travellers to visit the Chernobyl Nuclear Power Plant, and the ghost town of Pripyat.

The four-day tour takes travellers into the Exclusion Zone, which seems to be frozen in time, with empty amusement parks, homes, hospitals and schools dotting the vast area.

An expert guide will lead the guests to the site and the town of Pripyat, narrating the story of how the incident happened.

The trip includes an exclusive visit to the Chernobyl Nuclear Power Plant and the nuclear control room and the chance to spend the night within the Exclusion Zone – the restricted space, 19 miles in radius, surrounding the blast area.

The trip will also include a visit to Kiev's main heritage sites, including the Lavra Monastery.

Prices for the holiday start from £1,149, based on a February 11, 2021, departure date.

For further information on the trip, visit www.exodus.co.uk

A SPRING IN YOUR STEP

To help inspire the nation's 2021 spring travel bucket list, Great Rail Journeys is offering a short break to the Netherlands, taking in tulips, windmills and waterways.



FOR CLIENTS looking to enjoy a shorter break next spring, Great Rail Journeys' 'The Netherlands in Springtime' trip makes for a perfect choice.

Travellers will have the opportunity to discover Delft with a visit to the Royal Delft Porcelain Factory, enjoy a visit to the Keukenhof Gardens and see them in full bloom, and explore Amsterdam while taking in the country's beautiful windmills and waterways.

Prices for the five-day trip start from £825 per person. This includes four-night hotel

accommodation and six meals, including four breakfasts and two dinners. The price is based on a April 8, 2021 departure.

What's more, Great Rail Journeys has announced the extension of its Flexible Booking option, offering customers that book a 2021 getaway between now and including December 18, the option to transfer their holiday, up to the point their final balance is due, free of charge, if plans need to change.

For more information or to book, call 01904 527180 or visit www.greatrail.com

Jump into Jersey with Loganair's new routes

GLASGOW-BASED airline Loganair has announced it will reintroduce a twice weekly flight route to Jersey from Teesside International Airport in the north east of England, commencing in summer 2021.

Whilst travel is likely to remain uncertain in 2021, the relaunched route comes just in time for next year's summer season, ideal for a weekend escape or short break.

The reintroduction of the Jersey route joins a network of four additional routes, following a new partnership between Loganair and Teesside International Airport, after pausing operations back in 2018.

Jersey is the UK's leading tourism destination, boasting some of the best weather in the UK, golden-sand beaches and a variety of outdoor activities.



Return flight fares start from £74.99 per person to Jersey, including 15kg hold luggage and 6kg hand luggage.

www.jersey.com and www.loganair.co.uk for more information.



All quiet on the Western Front

FOR THE history buffs among your clients, Shearings' trip to Belgium and France is the perfect introduction to the First World War battlefields, taking guests on a journey to visit key sites of the Great War on the Western Front. Guests will take trips to the battlefield areas of Ypres and the Somme, and to Arras and Vimy Ridge on the five-day tour. They will also visit the trenches in Sanctuary Wood, and see the long lists of names on the Menin Gate and Thiepval Memorial, learning all about WW1. For departure dates in 2021, a single room supplement starts from £85 for four days, and £115 for five days.

www.shearings.com

SKI YA LATER, AUSTRIA

With most summer getaways rescheduled for 2021, Austria is keen to highlight its offerings for the upcoming ski season.



Family Skiing in Oetzal (c) Oetzal Tourismus.

THIS YEAR will see cautious travel for those searching for a quick winter getaway, and Austria has several destinations offering ski slopes, winter excursions and new accommodations and experiences for the upcoming season.

Salzburg hosts over 2,000km of ski slopes, expansive Christmas markets, sleigh rides, toboggan runs, and ice climbing excursions, perfect for the tourist looking for an adventurous break this winter. The new Panorama Link connects popular ski spots Flachau, Wagrain and Flachauwinkl and Kleinarl together via a 10-seat gondola, comprising of one of Europe's biggest ski regions. St Gilgen on Lake Wolfgang hosts the Zwölferhorn eight-seat gondola, and recently unveiled a new restaurant at its lift station. Several hotels in the region will also unveil renovations for the winter season, including the Hotel Blü, which is opening a new location in the area.

The Western province of Tirol boasts 80 ski

areas of over 3,000 km in skiing terrain. Fiss, a family-friendly ski location, is opening a new eight-person chairlift with heated seats. The Steinplatte/Waidring ski resort has upgraded its six-person chairlift to an eight-seater – reducing waiting times for visitors. Innsbruck, Tirol's capital, offers the 'SKI plus CITY' pass, opening up access to 13 nearby ski sites and 22 cultural heritage sites. This year, the city will also unveil LUMAGICA, a light installation in the Hofgarten Imperial Gardens.

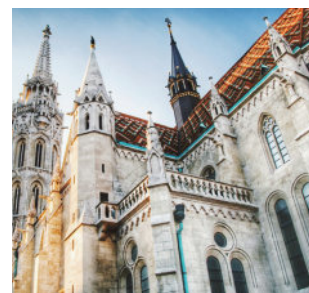
Ötztal is home to 363km of slopes across six ski areas and two glaciers, and can be explored with the Ötztal Super Skipass. For 2020/21, the pass offers a dynamic pricing system, letting visitors unlock lower prices when booking early, and extra off-slope experiences included, free of charge, when booking a pass for six days or more.

For more on Austria's 2020/21 ski destinations, visit www.austria.info

Experience imperial Europe with Scenic

FROM BAROQUE palaces, imperial treasures and fairy-tale castles, Scenic's tour across Vienna, Budapest, and Bratislava explores some of Europe's historic gems with expert tour guides at every stop along the way, departing from any one of nine UK regional airports.

Starting in Vienna, guests can admire the 17th century Vienna State Opera and explore Viennese coffee culture across two days in the city. Bratislava offers local delicacies and a historic insight into 20th century Europe before the cruise concludes with two days in Budapest, and a guided tour of the chain bridge, a hike up Buda Hill, a UNESCO site, as well



as the city's castle district and cathedral, ending the trip with a classical concert at the Gödöllő Royal Palace.

The five-star, all-inclusive voyage along the Danube includes all tipping and gratuities, and 11 meals across the five-day tour, and starts from £1,745 per person.

For more on Scenic, visit www.scenic.co.uk



Italy with Inghams in 2021

INGHAMS' ONLINE magazine, 'Italy: Your Passions, Your Holiday', features a variety of short breaks to Italy, with early booking deposits from £75 per person when booking before December 18, 2020.

Inghams' head of agency sales, Julie Franklin, explained, "Our trade partners continue to be a key part of our sales distribution and we hope that they will take inspiration from our magazine and confidently sell our holidays to their customers."

For more on Inghams' Italian offerings, and to order hard copies or view the online magazine, visit www.ingham.co.uk

VIVA ESPAÑA!

Kirker Holidays' six-night 'Madrid and Old Castillo' getaway offers guests culture, history and art, with a range of museum, gallery and historical excursions.



CLIENTS LOOKING for a cultured getaway need look no further than Kirker's six-night 'Madrid and Old Castillo' break. With departures in March and October, 2021, the package includes three days in the capital, with three visits further afield to El Escorial, Toledo and Segovia.

After a British Airways flight to Madrid, a transfer takes guests to Villa Real or the Hotel Emperador in the center of Madrid (hotels differ in March and October departures, respectively). The following day brings guests to the Prado, housing art from the 12th to 19th century, before lunch and a trip to the Sorolla Museum, former home of Joaquin Sorolla.

Toledo is next on the itinerary for the third day of the tour, the former capital of the Spanish empire from 1085 to the end of the 16th century. Visitors are taken to the Church of Santo Tomé, the local Cathedral and the El Greco Museum.

Returning to Madrid, guests will visit the 18th century Palacio de Villahermosa, where

the Thyssen-Bornemisza Collection of art spanning eight centuries is on display.

The fifth day brings guests to Segovia, home to the local cathedral, the Alcázar and the 800 metre long aquaduct, which is still in use today. An afternoon trip to La Granja shows guests the small town and palace built by the French born Philip V in the image of Versailles and the surrounding 18th century gardens.

Excursions to the Royal Academy of Fine Arts and the Reina Sofia offer guests more insight into Spanish and European artists.

The final day takes guests to El Escorial in the Sierra de Guadarrama, the royal home of King Philip II, before driving direct to the airport for the return flight.

Prices start at £1,998 per person, including return flights, airport transfers, six nights' accommodation with breakfast, three dinners and all sightseeing, entrance fees and gratuities.

For more, visit www.kirkerholidays.co.uk

Hastings Hotels' 'Derry Girls' experience

HASTINGS HOTELS' new package takes guests on a tour following the footsteps of the characters in Channel 4's 'Derry Girls', which will soon be releasing its third season.

On this tour, your clients will see where key scenes took place during a Walled City Walking Tour where visitors can walk through the life of a true Derry Girl and hear about life in the Bodside during the troubles from an expert local guide. Locations from the show on the tour include 'Dennis' Wee Shop', a perfect photo opportunity for fans of the show, Pump Street, Long Tower Church, and Bishop's Gate. The tour finishes at the famous Derry Girls Mural where guests can take a selfie and be pledged as a Derry Girl, or boy.



The package, starting at £95 per person, includes a night's stay at the Everglades Hotel, afternoon tea and cocktail, and the walking tour. Each part of the tour can also be booked separately.

www.hastingshotel.com



Three nights in Western Europe with P&O Cruises

ABOARD THE Arcadia, P&O is offering a three-night cruise that departs from Southampton on December 7, 2021.

After a day of travel, the Arcadia arrives in Zeebrugge, a Belgian town just 10 miles from Bruges. Guests will have the chance to visit the wealth of European Christmas markets and treat themselves to mulled wine, gifts and Belgian chocolate.

The Arcadia is home to a Whitewall art gallery, the three-tier Palladium theatre, an Oasis spa and a range of restaurants including Sindhu and the Ocean Grill – all as optional extras for guests looking to get more out of the three-day break.

www.pocruises.com



A ROCKY RIDE

Rocky Mountaineer will launch a new train route, 'Rockies to the Red Rocks', between Colorado and Utah next year. The two-day trip includes sightseeing, local cuisines and onboard storytelling.

ROCKY MOUNTAINEER has introduced a new route, titled 'Rockies to the Red Rocks', which promises to showcase some of the best scenic views from South Western U.S.

'Rockies to the Red Rocks' will be a two-day journey between Denver, Colorado and Moab, Utah, with an overnight stay in Glenwood Springs, Colorado. The route will be launched between August 15 and October 23, 2021, with a preview season of 40 departures over a period of 10 weeks.

The two-day rail journey, including a one-night hotel stay in Glenwood Springs, is priced at US\$1,250 per person, plus taxes. Those who are interested can reserve a place on a 2021 departure with a refundable deposit of US\$25.

The train features



The new route allows for both eastwards and westwards journeys.

oversized windows that allow for the best views of the ever-changing landscapes. Guests can expect onboard storytelling, premium cuisines using local South Western ingredients, combined with mesmerising natural scenery, in a custom-designed glass-dome coach.

Travellers can soak in the natural sights and sounds, while relishing local cuisines along with premium alcoholic beverages, from

the comfort of their reclining seats.

Between Denver and Glenwood, the train will run alongside the Colorado River, and pass through a series of canyons; while the route between Glenwood Springs and Moab offers a variety of scenery, including mountain vistas, desert cliffs and rock formations.

www.rockymountaineer.com/train-routes/rockies-red-rocks

The Ahwahnee: A midwinter night's dream at Yosemite

THE AHWAHNEE hotel, set within the Yosemite Valley, is known for its dining, décor and architecture, which complements the natural setting of the park.

It was designed and built in the 1920s for the purpose of attracting top notch clientele and has hosted presidents and Queen Elizabeth II in the past.

Located at the east end of Yosemite Valley, The Ahwahnee is surrounded by many of Yosemite's most famous icons, such as Half Dome, Yosemite Falls and Glacier Point. A shuttle system is available for travellers wanting to see other famous Yosemite Valley destinations.

Guests looking to book a stay at The Ahwahnee will have different types of lodgings to choose from. Other than hotel rooms, there are suites and junior suites with private fireplaces and balconies on the upper floors. For those looking for a more secluded experience, there are cottages nestled in midst of the forest, on the hotel grounds, just a short walk's distance from the main hotel.

www.yosemite.com/lodging/hotels/the-ahwahnee-hotel/

FANCY FLORIDA?

Real Florida Adventures, a new tours and excursions company, hopes to diversify Florida holidays for UK travellers.



REAL FLORIDA Adventures is looking to expand the Florida holiday experience beyond the major theme parks in the state, by offering a more diverse range of tours and excursions.

Three different destinations are currently on offer from the company, including the Kennedy Space Center, Clearwater Beach and Crystal River. The four tour options at the Kennedy Space Center include the popular 'Dine with an Astronaut' experience, a 90-minute excursion where guests will be joined by a NASA astronaut whilst enjoying a three-course meal, and an airboat excursion around the center's surrounding conservation areas. Crystal River showcases the 'Real Florida Manatee Adventure'; the only legal excursion in the USA giving guests the chance to swim with manatees. A trip to Clearwater Beach will give holidaymakers the opportunity to visit

the Clearwater Marine Sanctuary, home to Winter, the dolphin with the prosthetic tail that was the basis for the 2011 film 'Dolphin's Tale'.

Founder James Brown, a Brit with 20 years of experience in Florida and the tourism business, hopes these unique opportunities become "considered as a must do", and is optimistic for the future of Floridian tourism from the UK, explaining,

"We know how resilient the Brits and Irish are and that there will be pent up demand as and when they can return to Florida. For this reason, we are already establishing ourselves in these markets, ready to help agents tap into these great commissionable tours and excursions which will offer their customers a truly unforgettable Florida experience."

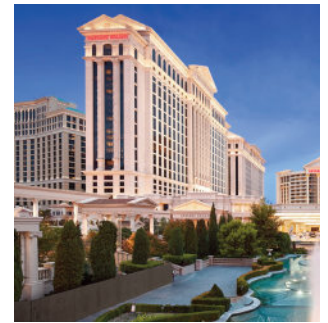
Agents can book through www.dosomethingdifferent.com

National Parks & Bright Lights with G-Adventures

WITH G-ADVENTURES 'National Parks & Bright Lights' tour, holidaymakers can see the best of the East Coast's national parks and popular sites, from the Grand Canyon to the Golden Gate.

The 15-day tour takes guests from San Francisco to Los Angeles, among a small group with no more than 13 other guests.

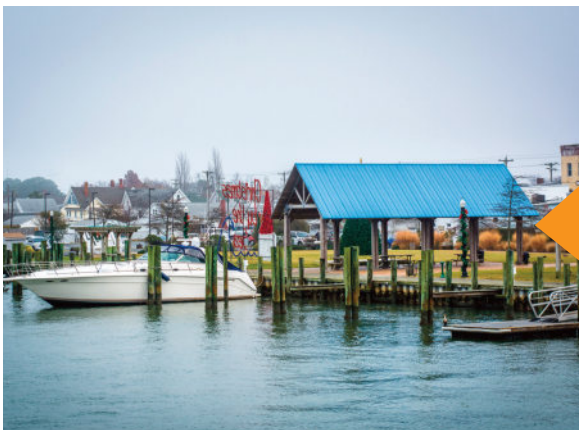
Highlights of the tour include a visit to the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco, and excursions to national parks including Yosemite, Death Valley, Zion, Bryce Canyon, Glen Canyon, and Joshua Tree.



From hiking to a 4x4 expedition and tasting sessions at vineyards and farms, the tour speaks to everyone from adventurous explorers to those looking to kick back and relax in nature.

Optional excursions include bike trips around Yosemite, the Hoover Dam, the Vegas Casinos, horseback riding at Bryce Canyon and Lake Powell, and a visit to Universal Studios.

www.gadventures.com



Explore marine life on Virginia's East Coast

CHINCOTEAGUE BAY Field Station offers 'hands-on, feet-wet' marine holidays, for your clients who want to learn more about marine science and conservation during their time on Virginia's East Coast.

The Road Scholar courses offer adults academic experiences in coastal ecology and natural history. The five-day courses incorporate additional skills such as nature photography, kayaking, cycling, coastal basketry and birding.

To learn more and see prices for 2021 holidays, visit www.cbfieldstation.org

THE ICY FRONTIER

Holland America Line is set to launch a full season of cruises, with land and sea tours in Alaska and Glacier Bay between April and September 2021



SIX OF Holland America Line’s premium ships, Eurodam, Koningsdam, Nieuw Amsterdam, Noordam, Oosterdam, and Volendam, are offering guests voyages to Alaska with a range of itineraries.

The trips on offer include round-trip sailings from Seattle, Washington, Vancouver, and British Columbia or a one-way cruise between Whittier (Anchorage), Alaska, and Vancouver.

Holland America offers a range of itineraries to one or more of Alaska’s iconic glacier destinations, including Glacier Bay National Park, Hubbard Glacier, and the Twin Sawyer Glaciers of Tracy Arm.

The seven-day “Glacier Discovery Northbound” and “Glacier Discovery Southbound” itineraries travel between Whittier, Alaska, and Vancouver aboard Nieuw Amsterdam and Noordam. Cruises include two glacier experiences at Glacier Bay and Hubbard Glacier or College Fjords, with ports of call to Ketchikan, Juneau and

Skagway, Alaska.

All ships travelling to Alaska feature expanded onboard programming, where guests can engage with an Alaskan naturalist, while cruises to Glacier Bay bring a National Park Ranger and Huna native speaker on board with travellers, who will also give special on board presentations.

For explorers willing to travel further into the Great Land, 15 different land and sea journeys combine a three-, four- or seven-day Alaskan cruise with an inland exploration of Denali National Park and Preserve, with a stay of three nights.

Holland America Line is the only cruise line that extends land tour options to Dawson City, the heart of the Klondike Gold Rush, and the unspoiled reaches of the Yukon Territory, offering travellers a unique experience in and around Alaska.

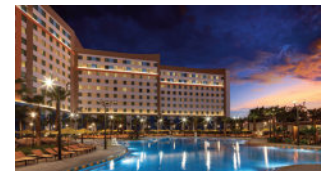
www.hollandamerica.com

Experience an ‘Endless Summer’ with Universal

UNIVERSAL ORLANDO Resort is set to open 'Universal's Endless Summer Resort - Dockside Inn and Suites', opening for guests on December 15, 2020, with a starting rate of £59 per night.

Dockside Inn and Suites will be the resort's second value category hotel, with 2,050 guest rooms, standard rooms and spacious two-bedroom suites.

Designed by the Universal Creative team, the hotel will recreate the laid-back experience of a beach retreat with a pool, game room and fitness centre. It is the destination's eighth property in partnership with Loews Hotels & Co, providing Universal Orlando guests with a variety of hotel options for every style and budget, complete with exclusive theme park benefits.



Loews Portofino Bay Hotel in the same resort also re-opened for guests on December 1, with newly-renovated rooms and suites. Themed after the seaside village of Portofino, Italy. A stay at Loews Portofino Bay Hotel includes free Universal Express Unlimited benefits to skip the regular lines at participating rides and attractions at the theme parks.

www.universalorlando.com



Luxury at the foot of the Rocky Mountains

THE LUXURY Broadmoor Resort at the base of the Rocky Mountains in Colorado is a perfect getaway for clients looking to immerse themselves in natural surroundings.

The hotel has hosted U.S. Presidents, Hollywood stars, and even British Royalty, with Prince Harry visiting in 2013.

Hosting a selection of luxury facilities, including two golf courses, tennis courts, a spa, 23 speciality shops and a range of dining options, the surrounding mountains also offer guests a range of excursions from solo hiking to fly fishing. All inclusive packages start at \$875 per night.

www.broadmoor.com

HIT THE ROAD

Abercrombie & Kent's new USA road trip itineraries feature sites across Southwestern U.S., as well as Chicago and the heart of the American West.



GUESTS ON Abercrombie & Kent's roadtrip holidays will have a plethora of opportunities to see some iconic U.S. sites, including the Grand Canyon, Las Vegas, Mount Rushmore and Yellowstone.

Los Angeles to the Southwest

Travellers will journey across the Southwestern U.S. with an expert driver-guide, travelling in comfort between the Grand Canyon and Zion, exploring by hot-air balloon, helicopter and off-road vehicle as well as on privately-guided hikes. Guests will venture into a secluded slot canyon via a private road and try their hand at canyoneering under an expert's eye. The journey will end in glittering Las Vegas, where your client's local guide will show them all the

can't-miss sites — and share some insider tips.

Chicago to the West

Leave the city behind on a chauffeur-driven adventure from Chicago into the heart of the American West. Clients will explore eight states in 18 days on one extraordinary journey, visiting sites made famous by Lewis and Clark, as well as Mount Rushmore, Yellowstone, Canyonlands and more. A day will be spent hiking, riding and fishing at a scenic ranch, following in the footsteps of Buffalo Bill and Mark Twain, and getting a comprehensive view of the historic American West, gaining insight into native traditions as well as the true stories behind some of the country's most enduring legends.

www.abercrombiekent.co.uk

Advantage Holidays strengthens U.S. product offering

ADVANTAGE HOLIDAYS, the in-house tour operator from Advantage Travel Partnership, has strengthened its USA product offering.

With the introduction of a new relationship with Expedia Partner Solutions, Advantage Holidays is now able to offer a wider breadth of quality hotel choices across selected USA cities, such as Chicago, Orlando, Las Vegas, New York, and Boston.

Advantage Holidays allows members to book financially protected holidays under the central Advantage ATOL, enabling members to package flights, accommodation and ground arrangements across these five core USA destinations.



Lee Ainsworth, head at Advantage Holidays, commented, "Throughout the pandemic, our partnerships have been more important than ever. We've worked hard to build on both new and existing partnerships, by forming a collaborative approach that has really allowed us to be agile in regard to cancellations and refunds for our members and end-customers during this challenging period..."

www.advantagetravelagents.com



Taste your way through an emerging wine region

ALTHOUGH A less traditional US wine region, Capital Region USA is placing itself firmly on the map as an emerging wine destination. Virginia and Maryland are home to an array of wineries, tasting rooms and wine trails for your wine connoisseur clients to enjoy, while Washington, DC has its very own urban winery, District Winery, committed to pushing the boundaries of winemaking by blending traditional methods with modern techniques. The Little Washington Winery in Virginia hosts Wine Bootcamps where guests can learn the basics (aeration, pairing and chemistry) over a two-hour class and sample wines paired with savoury and sweet food.

www.districtwinery.com and www.littlewashingtonwinery.com



ISLAND HOPPER

Olympic Holidays' new Lanzarote & Fuerteventura holiday itinerary means that your clients can soak up the sun this winter and indulge in some thrilling adventures.

OLYMPIC HOLIDAYS' Lanzarote and Fuerteventura seven-night island-swapping itinerary allows guests to visit both Fuerteventura and Lanzarote.

The islands have a short distance of 30 minutes between them and are linked by a dramatic volcanic landscape. A variety of accommodation choices makes it a perfect holiday spot for families as well as couples.

Fuerteventura

Nestled by the Atlantic Ocean, and located 100km from the African coastline, Fuerteventura is the second largest Canary Island and along with Lanzarote, enjoys sunshine all year-round. Whether guests want to take a luxury vacation or a laidback holiday, there is something to suit everybody's taste.



Fuerteventura and Lanzarote are a four hour flight from the UK.

Guests can go cycling through the winding scenic paths, or go kitesurfing or windsurfing on the sparkling waters. Alternatively, they could also sunbathe on a secluded beach cove or enjoy authentic Spanish tapas, al fresco at a cosy restaurant.

Lanzarote

Well known for its volcanic landscape and sand beaches, the island is also a 'biosphere reserve protected site' granted by UNESCO.

Diving is a popular pastime and both beginners and experienced divers will enjoy exploring the marine life with professional help or on their own. The island also has an array of museums and vineyards too for history buffs and wine connoisseurs. Prices start from £599 per person, including transfers. This is based on three nights at Hotel Club Siroco and four nights at Villa Florida.

www.olympicholidays.com

Amàre Hotel Ibiza: A place for mind, body and spirit

LOCATED AT Sant Josep de sa Talaia, just 4km away from Ibiza's famous leisure and night-life centre, the adult-only property, Amàre Hotel, is nestled into the beachfront and has views over San Antonio Bay.

While staying at the hotel, guests are located right on the waterfront of the beautiful Bou Cove with direct access to a dock, making it the perfect place to enjoy activities such as paddle boarding, surfing and swimming, or tapping into the healing properties of the seas surrounding the islands of Ibiza.

Amàre Hotels offers a host of wellness opportunities such as beauty treatments inspired by the sea, different types of massages and organic skincare, and bi-weekly sunrise yoga classes on the rooftop. There is also a variety of restaurants to suit every palate, such as Mare Nostrum, which features a buffet and showcooking at dinner, and Hayaca which serves Latin American inspired fusion food. Those who want to soak up the sun with a cocktail in hand can visit the Belvue Rooftop Bar.

www.amarehotels.com

INTREPID'S GREEK ISLAND VOYAGE

Intrepid's new Greek Island tour aboard the Ocean Star 56 takes guests across some of the most popular islands while highlighting some hidden gems.



TURQUOISE WATERS, white sands, local cuisine, and a wealth of history are awaiting holidaymakers who join Intrepid Travel's Greek island cruise aboard the Ocean Star 56.

Starting in Mykonos, the boat sails overnight to Naxos, an island brimming with mythological history and olive groves. Choices in Naxos range from watersports to guided tours of the Temple of Apollo and an exciting nightlife.

The tour then travels to Small Cyclades, home to sleepy tavernas and waterfront seafood. Three hours of sailing brings guests to Amorgos, where exploration of cycladic architecture, windmills, and an old Venetian castle await. Then onto Ios, where epic Greek poet Homer is claimed to be buried. In Ios, guests will visit Hora, a town known for its

slow beaches and vibrant nightlife, catering for those looking for an exciting getaway or a calming break on the tour.

The boat then reaches Santorini, an island formed from a volcanic eruption. Its trademark blue and white buildings and capital Fira are highlights of this final leg of the tour. From diverse architecture to a range of restaurants and bars, Santorini is the most popular stop on the itinerary. Following a night in Oia, around half an hour from Santorini, the boat returns to Mykonos in the late afternoon.

The trip includes transport and overnight accommodation aboard the Ocean Star 56. Prices start from £1,140 per person.

www.intrepidtravel.com

Catch some rays at Hard Rock Hotel Tenerife

WITH FIVE-STAR facilities, a full activity programme and an immersive musical experience, Hard Rock Hotel Tenerife is ideal for a quick winter getaway.

The Tenerife-based hotel features spacious luxury accommodation, combining contemporary interior designs with the style of the Hard Rock brand. Hotel guests can enjoy swimming pools, a saltwater lagoon, a beach club and activities such as yoga, paddle-boarding and water aerobics all within the resort, as well as the musical entertainment programme and rock star VIP treatment. The three-tiered kids' clubs keep children aged from six months all the way up to teens entertained. In addition, the Rock Spa offers thermal waters, beauty treatments and an extensive massage menu.



Jet2 Holidays offers a seven-night, bed-and-breakfast stay at Hard Rock Hotel Tenerife, starting from £602 per person based on two adults in the Deluxe Silver Room. The price includes return flights from London Stansted and is based on February 2021 departures.

www.jet2holidays.com



Memories of Majorca

ALLOW YOUR clients to delve deeper into the Med island of Majorca, on Titan's eight-day holiday.

Travellers will have the opportunity to look at the exquisite stained glass in Palma's impressive Gothic Cathedral and stroll along the white sands of the pine-fringed shoreline at Formentor. On the trip, guests will also explore the narrow maze-like streets of medieval Alcúdia and take a boat ride to witness the display of stalactites and stalagmites at the Cuevas del Drach.

Clients will stay at Hotel Bon Sol, set on a cliff side, above Illetas' sandy cove. Prices start at £1,729 per person.

www.titantravel.co.uk

DREAMING OF THE MED

Exsus Travels' 13-day trip, inspired by the 2008 film 'Mamma Mia', will take visitors across some of the most romantic 'postcard spots' across Greece and Croatia.



EXSUS TRAVELS' 'Sun, Sea & Old Town Charms' holiday is designed for honeymoons and luxury island getaways for couples or die-hard fans of 'Mamma Mia'.

Beginning with a three-night stay in Santorini, guests can explore the famous blue and white buildings – many of which were converted from merchant caves. At the Cavanos Oia hotel, guests will spend three nights in rooms modified from 17th century houses that were carved into the cliffside.

A ferry from Santorini takes guests to Naxos, home to mountaintop villages, mythological architecture and historic castles. Two nights at the Naxian Collection will see visitors enjoy a rustic-chic villa or suite.

Mykonos, the popular party destination, is the next stop. Guests looking for two nights of Greece's party scene are in luck, but those looking for a slower pace can visit Delos

Island via ferry ride – a UNESCO Heritage site which is said to be the birthplace of Apollo and Artemis, or stroll around the traditional port. The hilltop Myconian Naia offers holidaymakers two nights of luxury with an infinity pool and thalasso spa.

The Croatian leg of the tour takes guests on a flight from Mykonos to Athens and onto Croatia's capital. Dubrovnik's historic old town and cable car tour is awaiting guests looking to indulge in centuries-old architecture, and those looking for more excitement can experience a buggy safari tour around the capital.

The 13-night holiday, including accommodation on a bed-and-breakfast basis, flights, and transfers, starts at £4,950 per person.

www.exsus.com

Experience Italian charm with Inspiring Travel Company

INSPIRING TRAVEL Company is offering a stay at the luxurious Forte Village Resort.

The resort offers a selection of 21 restaurants, including Michelin star offerings such as the Heinz Beck restaurant, and a plethora of childcare and children's activities. The choice of seven different properties within the resort can cater for a range of group sizes and holiday specifications, from luxury all-inclusive, to half-board. The Hotel Bouganville is a secluded group of newly renovated bungalows designed for honeymoon getaways, while the Hotel Castello boasts the 'Children's Wonderland' childcare facility and family pool.



The resort also features an extensive range of restaurants to choose from, with Italian favourites such as fresh seafood dishes and Sardinian specialities.

A seven-night getaway at Forte Village starts at £2,739, based on two adults and one child on a half board basis, including return flights and resort transfers.

www.inspiringtravel.co.uk



Jet2 Greek islands in 2021

JET2.COM AND Jet2holidays has announced the launch of four new Greek routes for summer 2021, including destinations such as Santorini, Skiathos, and Kefalonia.

The routes will begin operation this summer, with weekly services. Newcastle to Kefalonia will operate from July 23 to October 8, 2021, every Friday; Newcastle to Skiathos will operate from May 21 to October 8, 2021, every Friday; Newcastle to Santorini operate from July 26 to November 1, 2021, every Monday; and, East Midlands to Skiathos will operate from May 23 to October 10, 2021, every Sunday.

www.jet2.com

Experience Grecian luxury with MarBella Elix

OPENING IN April 2021, MarBella Elix is a five-star property in a previously undiscovered area of Greece. As the third hotel to join the MarBella Collection portfolio and the brand's first property outside of the island of Corfu, MarBella Elix will be perched above the beautiful Karavostasi Beach in the Parga region, looking west towards Corfu and Paxos. An area of natural beauty, the luxurious MarBella Elix sits in unspoilt surroundings where the mountains meet the Ionian Sea.

Guests can expect beautiful sea views, 146 spacious and contemporary guest rooms and suites, a beautiful stretch of golden coastline with turquoise, crystal-clear waters and many facilities. MarBella Elix is situated close to Parga Village, within the region of Thesprotia in mainland Greece which lies opposite Corfu.

Rooms at MarBella Elix start from £121 per night, per room on a half board basis.

For more information, visit www.marbellacollection.gr/marbella-elix



FOR THOSE unable to see Larnaka Cyprus on foot, all the sights can be discovered at home via the new 'Larnaka Cultural Walk Virtual 360°' project. The virtual tour showcases 30 of Larnaka city's most popular and significant landmarks and places of interest; split into three categories: Seafront & Town Centre, Archaeology & Museums, and Culture & Nature. The virtual tour is another way to connect with Larnaka, ideal for agents wanting to plan a trip for their clients and are looking to familiarise themselves with the most popular areas.

Experience the tour by visiting:

<http://culturalwalk.virtuallarnakaregion.com>

Which Med island is next on your travel bucket list?



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