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A Roundup of Family-Friendly Travel Packages from Around the World



ARE WE THERE YET? School is out, summer vacation is in! Turn on the Out-of-Office reply, put away the glowing report card, take off the cap and gown and head to Europe, Africa or French Polynesia.

Here is a roster of family-friendly travel packages and special offers from around the world, which will have parents and children brimming over with glee (only minus the show tunes...):

Villa Magna
Madrid, Spain
www.hotelvillamagna.com

For intrepid families with precocious, art-enthusiastic adolescents, Villa Magna created its "Magna Arts & Culture" package which includes: two tickets to either the Prado, Thyssen-Bornemisza, or Reina Sofia museums, all a short jaunt from the hotel; a private two-hour guided tour of the Prado; and a personalized chauffeured tour of Madrid. To ensure that guests' day of enlightenment does not begin on an empty stomach, the hotel includes a daily buffet breakfast at the eponymous Villa Magna Restaurant, and – as a delicious prelude to bedtime – the hotel puts an authentically Spanish spin on traditional bedtime milk and cookies with "chocolate a la taza" (gourmet hot chocolate) and just-out-of-the-oven cookies; for adults, a variety of signature treats, including Villa Magna's brilliantly hued macaroons served with luscious sweet creams and passion fruit prepared daily in the property's patisserie, are among the delicacies for nibbling. "Magna Arts & Culture" from approximately U.S. \$715 per night for a Deluxe Room.