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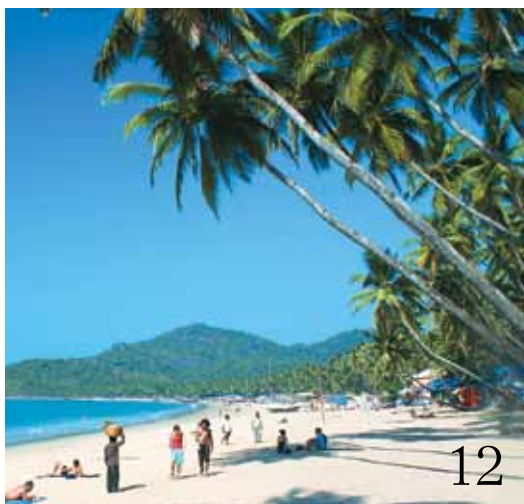
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Dear RCI member,

As I flipped through this latest edition of Pacific Endless Vacation and saw some of my favourite holiday destinations featured, I couldn't help but reminisce about some of the great places I have had the privilege to holiday in over the past 25 years as a member of the RCI holiday community. I have very fond memories of my recent holiday with my daughter in Quebec, others in scenic Queenstown and Wanaka, and I love the wine and food culture of Tasmania. All of these favourites are featured in this edition. As valued members, you already understand the benefits that holiday ownership brings to you and your family – spacious accommodations, great value and the opportunity to experience new places year after year. Most importantly, I believe it provides you with a lifetime of amazing holiday memories and at RCI, we are committed to doing our part to help make that happen. If you have any thoughts on how we can further improve our service please drop us a line at the email address below. Finally, on behalf of everyone at RCI, thank you for selecting us as your holiday exchange provider. Travel safe, and have fun creating more memories!

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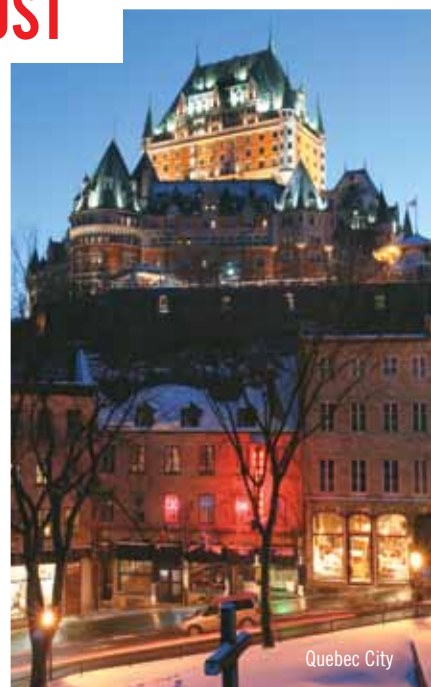
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O CANADA!

EXPLORE CANADA'S EAST: THE COAST WITH THE MOST

Vast green forests, craggy mountains, three twinkling oceans, more than two million lakes and 39 national parks make Canada one of the world's top 10 most popular destinations. Many would argue that while the whole country is worth some serious exploration, it's Canada's East Coast that's the coast with the most.



Quebec City



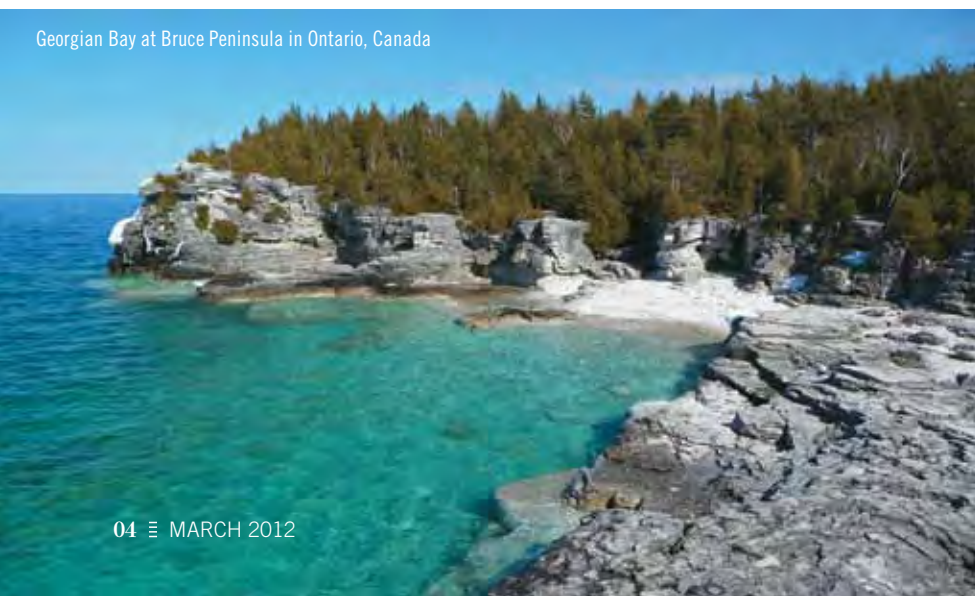
Fathom Five diving



Georgian Bay



Exploring Canada on foot



Georgian Bay at Bruce Peninsula in Ontario, Canada

GEORGIAN BAY

Georgian Bay was voted the number one travel gem in Canada by Canadians themselves – so you know you're on to a good thing when you plan a visit to this spectacular part of the country. Sitting pretty on the southern edge of the Canadian Shield, Ontario's Georgian Bay offers a prime opportunity to get back to nature in one of the planet's most spectacular marine wonderlands.



Explore...

Boasting 30,000 islands, all of which are protected as part of the Georgian Bay Islands National Park, Ontario's Georgian Bay is one of the best chances you'll ever get to satisfy your inner photographer, whether you're a professional or an amateur looking for inspiration. Explore the islands by taking a cruise on a glass bottomed boat. You'll be blown away by the swaying rainbow-coloured wildflowers, the clear skies and the pine trees populating the shores, all of which still inspire artists looking to spend the day painting.

The caves carved into the spectacular Blue Mountain offer explorers the chance to strap on the hiking shoes, as do the trails of the Niagara Escarpment, an impressive UNESCO Biosphere Reserve.



Parry Sound sailing



Relax... on and in the water

If scuba diving is more your thing and you just can't wait to get under those waves, the shipwrecks at Fathom Five National Marine Park offer some of the best diving in Canada. There are 21 historic shipwrecks here, some just a few metres from shore, so walking into those crystal clear waters is just the start of your adventure.

Rather stay on the water than get in it? Why not go sailing around Parry Sound? As the world's deepest freshwater harbour with strong, reliable winds, Parry Sound attracts racing and cruising sailors from all over the world, making for a truly exciting day out.



Play... and stay on the land

If man-made attractions are more your style, Ontario's Georgian Bay offers, excellent boutiques for shopping and in warmer weather, plenty of activities for the whole family, like tennis, golf and zip lining. Kids will also love stepping back in time to the 17th century with a recreation of a Jesuit mission at Sainte-Marie among the Hurons: the first European settlement in what became the province of Ontario.



TORONTO

As the largest city in Canada, multicultural and charming Toronto is a wonderful holiday destination and a great start to any family's Canadian journey of discovery. Art lovers rejoice, there's plenty here to inspire you and when it comes to food, European, Korean, Malaysian and more are all on the menu, along with a happening music scene. Toronto is a melting pot of amusement with something for everyone, but if you're planning on heading out of the city, there's even more to discover.



Shop...

In vibrant downtown, the Eaton Centre lures customers into its multi-level maze of glass with some 300 shops and restaurants.

DAY TRIPS FROM TORONTO:

NIAGARA FALLS

There's no place to better appreciate mother nature's power than Niagara Falls, and for AU\$40-\$60 / NZ\$50-\$80, you can rent a car and drive there from Toronto in roughly 90 minutes if the traffic is good. There are also regular trains running from Toronto's Union Station to the train station in Niagara Falls. Once you're there, the historic Maid of the Mist tour will take you past the American, Bridal Veil Falls and the Horseshoe Falls in a very fetching blue raincoat.



THE GREAT LAKES

If large bodies of water float your boat, an ideal day trip for couples from Toronto is a visit to the great lakes. Lakes Superior, Michigan, Huron, Erie, and Ontario form the largest group of freshwater lakes on earth and take up a whopping 21 per cent of the world's surface fresh water. Salmon and trout fishing charters offer a different way to see the spectacular scenery as well as giving you an insight into Canada's fishing industry.

LAKE ONTARIO

Lake Ontario on its own takes less than 10 minutes to reach from Toronto on the ferry and a round-trip will cost just AU\$6.50 / NZ\$8.40. Rent a bike and explore the pretty trails, play a game of tennis, explore the lighthouses, hire a boat for some sailing, indulge in an ice cream and feed the ducks. Centre Island's traditional amusement park, Centreville, is a great idea for entertaining the kids.



Lake Ontario



The geodesic dome called Biosphere is a museum in Montreal dedicated to water and the environment. It is located at Parc Jean-Drapeau, on Saint Helen's Island

MONTREAL

As the second-largest city in Canada, Montreal offers an unrivalled cultural experience. For some architecture to knock your woolly socks off, Notre-Dame Basilica (Basilique Notre-Dame) is Montreal's oldest Catholic church, built in 1656. You'll be mesmerised by the intricate old interior. Old Montreal (Vieux-Montréal) is beautifully preserved and boasts some great restaurants and unique shopping opportunities.

DAY TRIPS FROM MONTREAL:

QUEBEC CITY


For a romantic day trip, Quebec City offers a trip back in time over 350 years as you visit the birthplace of French civilisation in North America. The Petit Champlain district is the oldest quarter in North America, so head for lunch in a cute little restaurant and shop around in the unique boutiques. Don't miss the funicular ride on the elevator, which links Upper and Lower Old Quebec. This will give you some stunning views of the St Lawrence River and surroundings.

Old Montreal



Canada's Parliament House

OTTAWA

Visitors to Canada often overlook Canada's capital city but it actually has a lot to offer. It's possible to drive to Ottawa and back from Montreal, plus take in the sights, in just one day. Highlights include the Parliament Building, the Ornamental Gardens, Rideau Canal (the oldest continuously operated canal in North America) and the Farmer's ByWard Market. Crossing the bridge to Hull will also give you an unparalleled view of the cliffs and Parliament across the Ottawa River. Take the camera. 

Highlights in August and September

CANADA IS ONE OF THE MOST DIVERSE PLACES TO VISIT IN THE WORLD AND THERE ARE A HOST OF ATTRACTIONS YOU CAN SCHEDULE INTO YOUR VISIT, NO MATTER WHERE YOU'RE HEADED.

TORONTO

The Canadian National Exhibition starts mid-August and ends Labour Day weekend, and is hosted across 192 acres of beautiful lakefront property. This is one of the largest events in North America and features live music, rides, games, international food, a working farm, parades, sports and shopping. The Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF) takes place annually during the second week of September. Catch a range of national and international movies and mingle with the stars.

MONTREAL

The Montreal World Film Festival is held in Montreal in mid-August and aims to promote filmmakers

and innovative works. Catch a movie before it becomes a classic. Elsewhere in early September, watch the sky light up with The Magic of Lanterns, Montreal's annual fall festival, which marks the arrival of autumn.

QUEBEC CITY AND SURROUNDS

Envol et macadam in Quebec City is a festival of alternative music held every year in September, featuring indoor and outdoor shows. Quebec City Celtic Festival is a crazy celebration of Scottish, Irish and Breton roots offering live shows and workshops, and Journées de la Culture (Les) offers a mix of free cultural events in September.

stay



RCI AFFILIATED RESORTS AROUND GEORGIAN BAY INCLUDE:

THE GEORGIAN MANOR RESORT & COUNTRY CLUB (1761)

This resort caters to groups of all sizes, who come to enjoy the beauty of nearby Wasaga Beach and the Blue Mountains.

CLUB CRANBERRY (6149)

The resort has a recreation centre and 18-hole golf course.

MEMBER REVIEW: "The golf course was spectacular and the resort offered a discount for RCI guests."

RCI-AFFILIATED RESORTS NEAR TORONTO INCLUDE:

AVAILABLE FOR EXCHANGE OR RENTAL

CARRIAGE HILLS RESORT (4200)

An hour north of Toronto in the scenic Horseshoe Valley, this is a great spot to hike, golf or play in the pool.

7 Nights From

AU\$409*/ NZ\$539*

CARRIAGE RIDGE RESORT (6288)

This retreat shares the amenities at Carriage Hills (above).

RCI AFFILIATED RESORT NEAR MONTREAL INCLUDE:

GEO GROUP AT LAC MORENCY (2189)

80 km north of Montreal.

MEMBER REVIEW: "This resort was just gorgeous. We hiked near the resort, and enjoyed the pool and hot tub. The restaurant has a wonderful chef."

RCI AFFILIATED RESORT IN AND NEAR QUEBEC CITY INCLUDE:

CLUB VACANCES TOUTES SAISONS (2621)

A four-season resort with Quebec-style hospitality and creature comforts.

CONDO-QUEBEC AU SCANDINAVE (3034)

AVAILABLE FOR EXCHANGE OR RENTAL

7 Nights From

AU\$339*/ NZ\$449*

*Prices are based on low season and are subject to availability at time of print. Room sizes vary between resorts.

ready,
set,
go

With so many festivals and events taking place in the cooler months in the southern hemisphere – rug up and head out to enjoy these awesome sights!



1.

WINTER WINE WEEKEND

WHEN: 9 – 11 June 2012

Phone (03) 5989 2377

to pre-book your tickets to the Winter Wine Fest by June 6, 2011.

VENUE: Red Hill Showgrounds, VIC



Mornington Peninsula vignerons welcome visitors to three days of wine, food and song - Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Pinot Gris, Shiraz, and a range of other lesser known wines for the region. Matched with fine Australian cuisine, pizzas, emu snags, cassalinga food, saucy mussels and regional fare, home made soup by the fire in a mud brick cellar and long Sunday lunches.

4. AUSTRALIAN SURF FESTIVAL



WHEN: 11 – 25 August 2012

The Australian Surf Titles have been held since 1964, the longest running surf event in Australia. The Australian Surf Festival combines the Australian Longboard Titles, the Australian Surfmasters Titles and the Australian Stand Up Paddle Titles expanding into a unique celebration of the Australian surf lifestyle.

VENUE: Port Macquarie, NSW

6. MARGARET RIVER WINE REGION FESTIVAL

WHEN: 13 -16 April 2012

This festival will be staged over four days.

VENUE: Dunsborough and Margaret River, WA



2. WINTERSUN



WHEN: 1 – 11 June 2012

Australia's premier retro festival is celebrating its 25th Birthday! This fantastic 1950s, 1960s and 1970s festival is being held on Coffs Coast in 2012.

TIME: 9am -10pm

VENUE: Coffs Harbour, NSW

3. NATIONAL FINALS RODEO



WHEN: 14 – 17 June 2012

The high adrenaline extreme sport of Rodeo is back on the Gold Coast. The NFR is not just a Rodeo but a true experience of the outback that is packed with entertainment.

VENUE: Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre, QLD

5. GARTERBELTS & GASOLINE FESTIVAL

WHEN: 4 -7 May 2012

(QLD Labour Day Long Weekend)

The festival is a celebration of the Cars, Music, Fashion, Art & Lifestyle born of the 1940s & 1950s. Watch vintage Movies at Zamia Theatre or enjoy live Rockabilly, Alt Country, Blues and Roots Music.

VENUE: Mt Tamborine, QLD



play { coastal playgrounds }

COASTAL KINGS

BOTH PORT MACQUARIE OR COFFS HARBOUR OFFER PRISTINE BEACHES, CRYSTAL CLEAR WATERWAYS AND AN ABUNDANCE OF RCI ACCOMMODATION TO SUIT ALL BUDGETS, SO IF YOU'RE STUCK BETWEEN THE TWO, YOU MAY BE INFLUENCED BY THE ACTIVITIES ON OFFER IN EACH PLACE.



Coffs Harbour

COFFS HARBOUR

Only two hours north of Port Macquarie, you'll find another destination with everything a holidaymaker could expect. Beautiful beaches, bush walking, deep sea fishing, shopping, restaurants and more.

A visit to Coffs Harbour is not complete without a visit to the Pet Porpoise Pool where you can connect with your favourite marine animals like dolphins and seals. Get ready to shake fins or receive a kiss! If you happen to visit in June, make sure the kids get to visit Celtic Thunder, an approved performance of medieval history. For more history, take a ride on Betty the Steam Train touring the Ulong area. And don't miss the Butterfly House Tearooms and maze.

If you're looking for eateries and shopping then the popular Jetty and Harbourside won't disappoint. A few kilometres east along Harbour Drive, just past The Promenade with its shops and restaurants overlooking Coffs Creek, you will find the 'Jetty Strip' featuring around 15 cafés and restaurants offering indoor and al-fresco dining. Stroll along the Jetty foreshore, take in the sights of the marina, the North Wall breakwall, and admire the view of Muttonbird Island Nature Reserve.

Coffs Coast and the surrounding towns have quite a number of growers markets for locals and tourists to enjoy. The Harbourside Markets are by far the

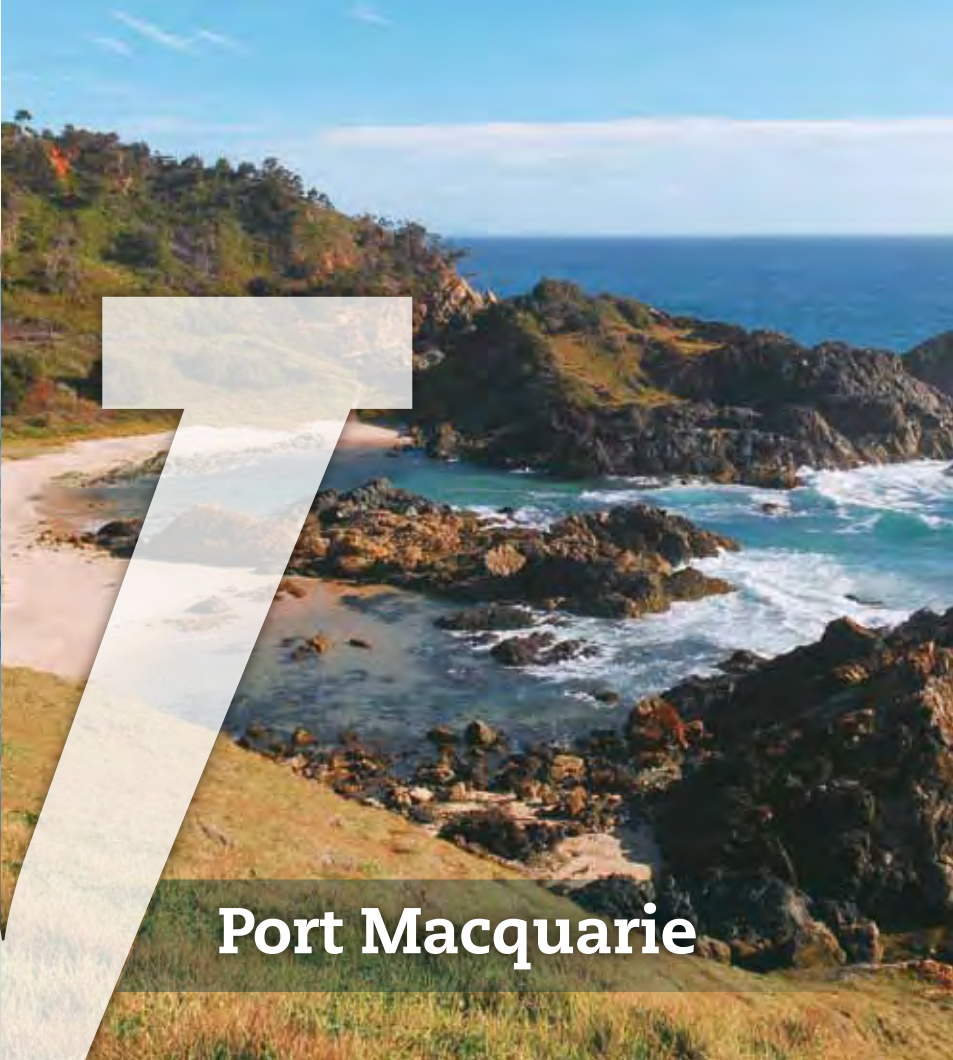
biggest and the location is spectacular. Set under the trees beside the beautiful harbour, the markets are held every Sunday and in true local flair everything sold is grown or handmade on the Mid North Coast. You'll find a vast range of fresh local produce, tasty foods, unique products, free live music and entertainment. If you're a sweet tooth then stop by the Orara Valley Cakes stall, you'll find a yummy range of beautifully presented cupcakes, friands and macaroons, freshly baked and gluten free.

Far Left: Betty the Steam Train touring the Ulong area. Glenreagh Mountain Railway. Image courtesy of Coffs Coast Marketing

Middle: View onto Coffs Harbour in Northern NSW, Australia

Right: The Promenade is a unique shopping experience on the water close to the Jetty. Image courtesy of Coffs Coast Marketing





Port Macquarie


PORT MACQUARIE

Just a few hours north of Sydney via the Oxley Highway turnoff, situated on the mid north coast of NSW, Port Macquarie is a water lover's haven, with eight stunning beaches to choose from.

Begin your day with Yoga on Town Beach. Fantastic exercise for all ages and stages. If you've never tried Yoga this is your opportunity, for as little as AU\$12.00/ NZ\$15.50 you'll begin your day feeling invigorated and energised. Head south along Pacific Drive, past Flagstaff Hill and you can picnic on the grass at Oxley Beach. The more active can find patrolled swimming and surfing at Flynns Beach or head south to Shelly Beach for more protected swimming. If you've always wanted to try surfing and never been brave enough, contact the Port Macquarie Surf School where the Hudson family will share their expertise.

There's probably no better way to combine scenery and exercise than to take in the azure backdrop of the Pacific Ocean by taking the 9km walk from the Town Green foreshore all the way to Lighthouse Beach.

If you're looking for entertainment, then you have to try the unique experience of ambling along the golden sands of Lighthouse Beach on the back of a camel. It's the perfect vantage point to catch sight of dolphins riding the waves and at the right time of year, you can even spot a whale or two. Port Macquarie Camel Safaris run six days a week and a 30-minute ride costs AU\$30/ NZ\$38 for adults and AU\$25/ NZ\$32 for children.

For something a little more leisurely and romantic why not tempt the tastebuds with a visit to Douglas Vale Homestead and Vineyard. Committed to preserving the homestead for future generations and classified by the National Trust, the Douglas Vale Conservation Group is a non-profit organisation. Tours and wine tastings are available on Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday between 10am - 3pm. Pack a picnic for two to enjoy amongst the stunning rose gardens. 



Right: Port Macquarie's Town Beach

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RCI AFFILIATED RESORTS IN
PORT MACQUARIE AND
COFFS HARBOUR INCLUDE:

WYNDHAM FLYNNS BEACH (7822) Port Macquarie, NSW

An ideal holiday spot for families, couples, or groups and only a short, five-minute walk to the heart of Port Macquarie.



PORT PACIFIC RESORT (1816) Port Macquarie, NSW

Located in the heart of Port Macquarie, this is the perfect base for exploring the beaches, wineries, wildlife and art galleries of the mid north coast.

KORORA BAY VILLAGE (0834) Coffs Harbour, NSW

7 Nights from
AU\$249*/ NZ\$329*

MEMBER REVIEW: "This is a very good resort and we will go back there. The staffs were great. The accommodation was very good and the general amenities were well looked after."

WYNDHAM COFFS HARBOUR – TREETOPS (C012) Coffs Harbour, NSW

7 Nights from
AU\$299*/ NZ\$389*

MEMBER REVIEW: "Great overall experience, if you like a resort set in quiet bush surrounds close to the beach and waking up to the sounds of Kookaburras you'll love it."

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HOT BONUS
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Camel ride at Lighthouse Beach. Image courtesy of Port Macquarie Camel Safaris

WITH QANTAS FLYING TO DALLAS/FORT WORTH, USA DAILY AS OF JULY 1ST 2012, A WHOLE NEW WORLD OF ADVENTURE HAS JUST OPENED UP. AMERICA HAS SOME TRULY GREAT SHORT FLIGHT DESTINATIONS THAT YOU CAN TAG ONTO A TRIP TO TEXAS. WHERE WILL YOU GO FIRST? HERE ARE A FEW IDEAS.



Short Flight Destinations from Dallas

Miami, Florida

In less than three hours, find yourself in cosmopolitan A-list favourite Miami. This town has a sheen of gritty, colourful glamour about it, forged from a unique history as a melting pot of immigrant Cuban culture and modern American energy. South Beach, Miami is undoubtedly the place to kick back and enjoy the sun kissed good life. Get with the vibe and pick up designer threads at south Florida's newest mall, the three open-air storeys of the Village of Merrick Park with 115 high-end boutiques. A night out is a must - there's a decadent and ever-changing restaurant scene here but for a classic Miami dining experience pay a visit to South Florida's most famous eatery, Joe's Stone Crab on Washington Avenue for seasonal stone crabs followed by key lime pie.

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RENTAL

GOLDEN STRAND OCEAN VILLA RESORT

Sunny Isles Beach, Florida

7 Nights from AU\$733^/ NZ\$959^

Hot Springs, Arkansas

Hot Springs Arkansas is best known for the natural spring water that flows from the ground at a temperature of 147 °F (64 °C). Hundreds of people flock to the Hot Springs National Park every day to experience the waters, whose healing properties members of Native American tribes also gathered to enjoy.

explore...

Beautifully restored national landmarks, especially in the downtown historic

district. Check out the 16-story tiered Art Deco Medical Arts Building, which in 1929 was the tallest building in Arkansas. Take a romantic stroll along the promenade as a young Bill Clinton may have done (this was his boyhood home) or take a nature walk in Garvan Woodland botanical garden.

stay

BONUS WEEK

ESCAPES! TO HOT SPRINGS VILLAGE (1924)

7 Nights from AU\$472*/ NZ\$615*

Just 32 km from Hot Springs National Park, with racquet sports, horseshoes and an outdoor pool.

EXCHANGE

SOUTH SHORE LAKE RESORT (5023)

On Lake Hamilton, with water sports and near such attractions as the crystal mines and Bathhouse Row.

Williamsburg, Virginia

It's 1774 here, in Virginia's first colonial capital. The dirt road winds past the Governor's Palace, where a cook is stirring Brunswick stew over an open



Hot Springs, Arkansas



Miami, Florida



Williamsburg, Virginia

fire, and the courthouse, where Grace Sherwood's witch trial is underway. A few kilometres down the road, Jamestown settlers are carving canoes and revolutionary soldiers are firing cannons at the Yorktown battle site. But despite the anachronistic spectacle, Virginia's famous living museum is far from contrived. The entire area is fascinating, fun and in top-notch condition, thanks to renovations brought on by the 400th birthday of Jamestown in 2007. Spring is the best time to visit, for gorgeous blooms and mild weather. And when you've had enough of the 18th century, there are plenty of modern-day amusements.

explore...

Colonial Parkway links the cities in the Historic Triangle - Williamsburg, Jamestown and Yorktown. The 37 kilometre road is lined with magnolias and offers glimpses of the James and York rivers. You can also get around by free shuttle (mid-March through October).

stay

BONUS WEEK

WYNDHAM

PATRIOTS' PLACE (1141)

7 Nights from AU\$443*/ NZ\$580*

EXCHANGE

KING'S CREEK

PLANTATION (5246)



New Orleans, Louisiana

MEMBER REVIEW:

"We ate in a different restaurant on Richmond Road every night."

New Orleans, Louisiana

As one of the world's most undeniably fascinating cities, New Orleans has been intriguing people with a mixture of voodoo, jazz, Mardi Gras and gumbo for years. As a melting pot of influence from the Caribbean, Europe, Africa and beyond, New Orleans is a sensory overload you almost have to see to believe.

explore...

You can't be in New Orleans and not experience some of the musical delights. Get your air guitar ready for free Wednesday afternoon concerts in Lafayette Square and when you've danced up an appetite, get some free oysters every Friday at Le Bon Temps Roule music club. Get into the real 'spirit' of New Orleans with a cemetery tour or ghost tour or just walk around the quirky stores in the French Quarter and talk to some real voodoo masters. Eat on Bourbon Street, just because you can and soak up the sweet sound of that solo saxophone.

stay

RENTAL

WYNDHAM AVENUE PLAZA (1450)

7 Nights from AU\$639*/ NZ\$831^



Cancun, Mexico

Cancun, Mexico

There are opportunities for catching as many archaeological marvels as rays of sunshine, there's more to this tropical paradise than partying.

explore...

If swimming with dolphins in Cancun is on your agenda, The Parque Nizuc has a unique water park where the entrance fee includes a swim with a dolphin. If you want to feed a shark and swim with a dolphin in the same day, don't miss a stop at the Interactive Aquarium at the La Isla Shopping Mall. The Tres Rios is a great site for horseback riding through the Mexican jungle, and other tours include kayaking, snorkelling, canoeing or biking. For incredible ancient Mayan ruins, hire a car and drive to Tulum, the only major Mayan ruin on Mexico's Caribbean coastline.

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BONUS WEEKS

SUNSET LAGOON HOTEL & MARINA

ALL INCLUSIVE (5237)

7 Nights from AU\$219*/ NZ\$289*

A hidden jewel in a central location on the lagoon side of the Cancun Hotel Zone. This private, quiet resort is perfect for travellers who want to avoid the hustle and bustle.

ROYAL SUNSET *ALL INCLUSIVE*(4363)

7 Nights from AU\$439*/ NZ\$579*

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INDIA'S SMALLEST STATE IS KNOWN FOR ITS GOLDEN BEACHES, BUT GLORIOUS COLONIAL BUILDINGS ARE ALSO PART OF ITS WEALTH



{ rich in culture and budget friendly }

Goa, the tiny state on India's western coast, is graced with more than 96 kilometres of palm-fringed beaches lapped by the Arabian Sea and is not at all like the rest of India. Goa has a long history, including 400 years of Portuguese rule and in the 1970s; this tropical spot was a magnet for hippies, drawn to the lush and exotic setting. While times have changed, today Goa lures more than two million visitors a year. This exposure to foreigners makes Goans less curious about visitors than other Indians, the people are friendly but you won't be accosted too often. Goa is also set apart by the benefits that flow from its wealth, such as free education and an excellent literacy rate.



BEACHES

The beaches are divided into north (action-packed) and south (quieter), with Panaji in the centre. Half an hour north is a cluster of well-known resort beaches: Candolim, Calangute and Saga. Each has its own flavour, although they're close enough that all can be easily tasted in one afternoon. Calangute acts as a hub, offering essential tourist services such as ATMs, Baga is all about good food and offers a variety of evening entertainment, while Candolim, to the south, offers a more genteel experience. All three cater to your every whim with vendors hawking everything from ice creams and cold drinks to manicures and massages. South of Panaji, peaceful, palm-fringed Benaulim is one of Goa's lovelier stretches of sand (though it does get crowded on weekends), as is Varca, five kilometres further south.



stay



RCI AFFILIATED RESORTS
IN GOA INCLUDE:

BONUS WEEK

ROYAL GOAN BEACH CLUB
AT BENAULIM (3726)

7 Nights from
AU\$199* / NZ\$259*

Situated in the heart of the beautiful south of Goa, this resort has a distinct Mediterranean flair while offering the best of Indian culture. Explore stunning beaches, or stay close and take advantage of the unique layout – like a holiday village built around a central swimming pool area complete with swim-up bar.



EXCHANGE

CLUB MAHINDRA VARGA
BEACH (4883)

Located in the south of Goa, this resort has its own beautiful, sandy beach, which is only a five-minute walk from the resort. Lounge on the comfortable deck chairs, or just hang out at either of the two swimming pools which include a 3-level swimming pool. Get the best mix of exotic Indian, Chinese, continental and traditional Goan cuisine at the resort restaurant.



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DAYS OUT

For insight into Goan culture, start at Calizz, a heritage museum housed in a Portuguese mansion and a traditional Hindu-style home in Candolim. Calizz presents Goan life as it was both before and during Portuguese rule, and also does great lunches. To get a taste for what drew the Portuguese in the first place, visit Sahakari spice farm at Curti, and learn about the medicinal properties of all those spices you've been enjoying. On the same day, you could also visit the 16th-century Hindu temples at nearby Panda. To escape the heat for a day, head into the Western Ghats to Dudhsagar waterfalls and cool off at the bottom of the drop, just like the monkeys do. To avoid the crowds, you can take a boat day-trip.

FOOD

Rice, seafood and coconut milk are staples of Goan cuisine, but vegetarians and meat-eaters are well catered for too. Don't leave without sampling the classic red-hot Goan fish curry or local favourite chicken cafreal, reminiscent of peri-peri chicken. The beaches offer a wide choice of restaurants. Souza Lobo has occupied its prime spot on Calangute for 78 years and cooks great lobster and randoor kingfish. While Plaintain Leaf on Calangute caters famously well for vegetarians. There are also plenty of places to sate any cravings for Western food, from Italian cuisine to cafes famed for their croissants and all-day breakfasts.

SHOPPING

Hippies set up the Anjuna market in the 1960s and today its vendors come from all over India. Look past the fire sticks and trance music and you'll find silver jewellery, Rajasthani bedspreads, leather bags and Tibetan handicrafts. Be prepared to haggle, but remember it's meant to be fun even if you're not buying. For a nocturnal experience, check out Ingo's Saturday night bazaar at Arpora, where you'll find all the same stuff as well as great food, live music and cold beers, but no sun. If you're looking for clothing, there are plenty of sarongs and tie-dyed goods at the market, as well as beautiful jewelled sandals.

HOW & WHEN

Goa is 580 kilometres from Mumbai (Bombay), India. The easiest way to go is by air from Mumbai; the flight takes less than an hour. Goa has a good network of paved roads and the best way to get around is to hire a car and driver, easily arranged through your resort for about AU\$30/ NZ\$39 per day. The best time of year to visit is winter, between October and March. Summer can be very hot and humid and is also rainy season.

Keeping it quiet:



play { kiwi-style }

SPRINGTIME IN QUEENSTOWN & THE SOUTHERN LAKES

Lonely Planet recently named New Zealand's Southern Lakes, as one of the Top 10 regions to visit in 2012.

An exciting accomplishment indeed but not nearly as exciting as visiting yourself, especially in the Spring when the crowds thin out and you can experience the same amount of fun, action and adventure to yourself. The Southern Lakes region, featuring Queenstown and Lake Wanaka specifically, are well worth exploring. But what will you do when you get there?

Standing on top of the world in Wanaka vineyard. Photo: Rob Brown



Picturesque Rippon Vineyard, Lake Wanaka. Photo: David Wall



A hiker's paradise.



Relax, Kiwi-style. Photo: Chris Sisarich

Wanaka

The stunning Wanaka region is a destination on its own, offering year-round fun and relaxation in equal measures.

EXPLORE... ON FOOT

For some of the best hiking in New Zealand, Wanaka has it all. Hikes through majestic mountains, sparkling glaciers and across tranquil river flats will ensure you get up close and personal with nature, every day. Single and multi-day hikes in Mt Aspiring National Park, part of the World Heritage Area, are even better when the tourists are at home and you've got the beautiful springtime sights almost to yourself.

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RCI AFFILIATED RESORTS
IN QUEENSTOWN AND
WANAKA INCLUDE:

RENTAL

OAKS SHORES

Queenstown,
South Island, NZ

3 Nights From

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EXCHANGE

QUEENSTOWN MEWS (1729)

Queenstown, South Island, NZ

Just a five-minute walk from the main shopping precinct of Queenstown, the Queenstown Mews is ideally suited to enjoy the superb range of shopping opportunities Queenstown has on offer.



WYNDHAM WANAKA (C004)

Wanaka, South Island, NZ

MEMBER REVIEW: "It's a fantastic complex and we really enjoyed our stay there. The restaurant food was top class and it was so convenient."



THE PINES RESORT (1475)

Wanaka, South Island, NZ

Just a short walk to the heart of Wanaka and all it has to offer, the Pines Resort has amenities onsite to accommodate guests' needs and interests. Guests may enjoy the glass housed heated pool, spa pool and sauna, half tennis court and Petanque court, mini-golf, and games room with table tennis.



*Prices are based on low season and are subject to availability at time of print. Room sizes vary between resorts.

PLAY... ON THE WATER

Fans of water activities such as swimming, kayaking, water skiing and rafting will have their work cut out in Lake Wanaka, trying to fit everything in. The lure of those crystal clear lakes and rivers will have you up and raring to go. Exploring the lake and its many islands is easy when you hire a paddleboat, or for the brave, white water sledging on the mighty Kawarau River on a purpose designed board is an activity you won't forget in a hurry.



Sample Queenstown's finest cuisine



Overview of majestic Queenstown



Kawarau Bridge Bungee

Queenstown

Fans of the great outdoors will find a home-away-from-home in New Zealand's Queenstown.

EXPLORE... YOUR OWN LIMITS

World-renowned for its adrenaline thrills and adventure, Queenstown is home to some of the best skydiving and bungee jumping experiences in the world. If strapping a rope to yourself instead of a parachute is more your style, Queenstown is the home of bungee jumping. One of the most popular is AJ Hackett Bungee who started it all with the infamous the Kawarau Bridge Bungee in November 1988. Beat the crowds in spring, when no one's there to hear you scream.

EAT... TO YOUR HEART'S CONTENT

During the more popular months, Queenstown's famous restaurants are

packed and the tables with the best views are tough to score. During spring however, you can score one of the best tables at the Skyline Restaurant, which offers great romantic dining for couples. Take a gondola ride up to the restaurant and don't forget the camera to snap those dazzling night-time views of Queenstown. The fresh New Zealand produce in the buffet spread is just as divine.

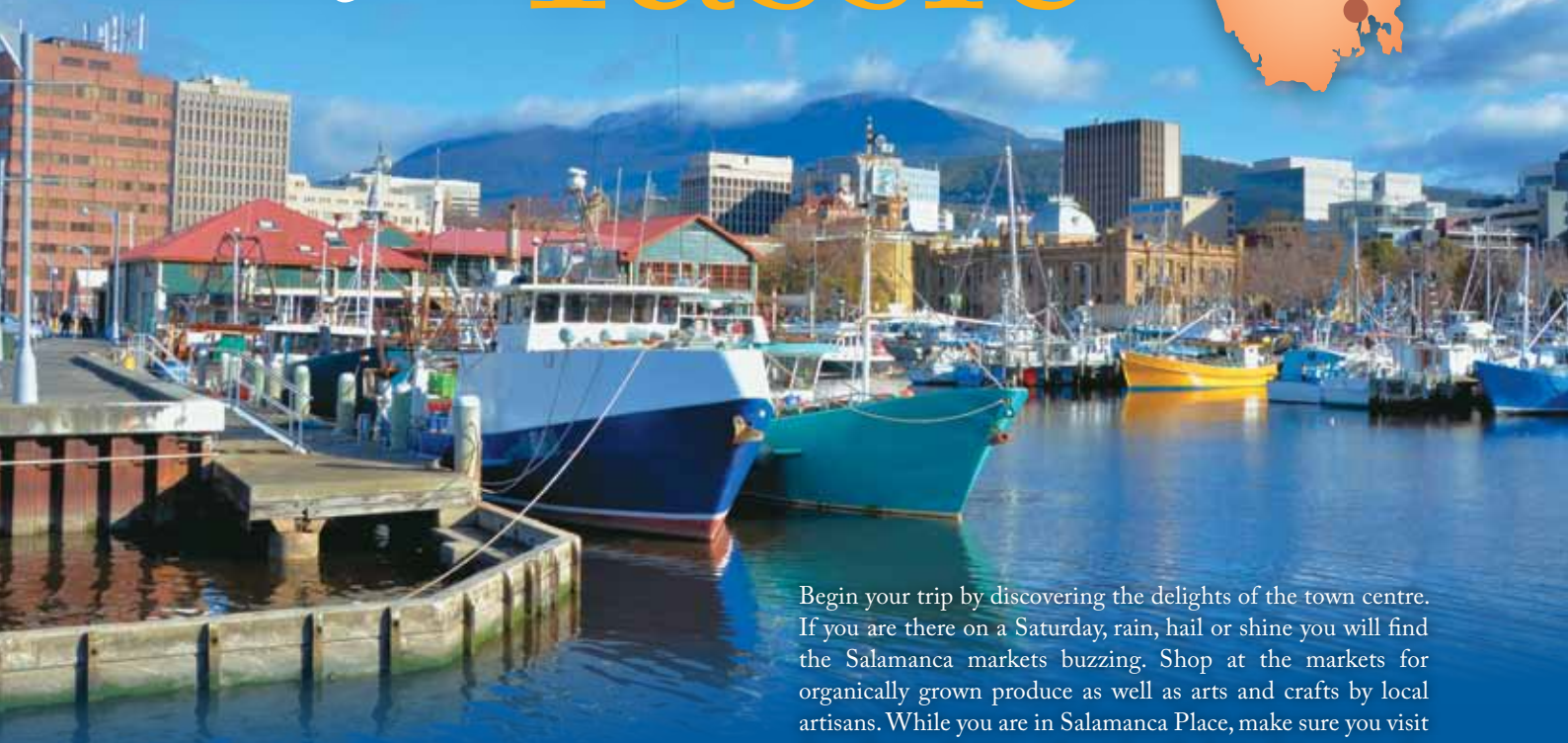
RELAX... AND INDULGE

Sit back and relax with a glass of New Zealand wine at your chosen resort or visit one of the nearby wineries. Alternatively, take a pleasant stroll through the beautiful Queenstown Botanic Gardens.

CHECK OUT!

Gibbston Valley, Queenstown - the world's southernmost wine growing region - is famed for award-winning Pinot Noir wines, and also produces Chardonnay, Pinot Gris, Riesling and Sauvignon Blanc varietals.

Fall for Tassie



If it's your first visit to Tasmania, there's no better place to begin your exploration than the capital, Hobart. Nestled at the foot of the majestic, snow-capped, Mount Wellington, its harbourside location provides picture perfect scenery along with a world-class cultural experience.

Begin your trip by discovering the delights of the town centre. If you are there on a Saturday, rain, hail or shine you will find the Salamanca markets buzzing. Shop at the markets for organically grown produce as well as arts and crafts by local artisans. While you are in Salamanca Place, make sure you visit the galleries, theatres, cafes and craft shops that occupy the restored Georgian warehouses.

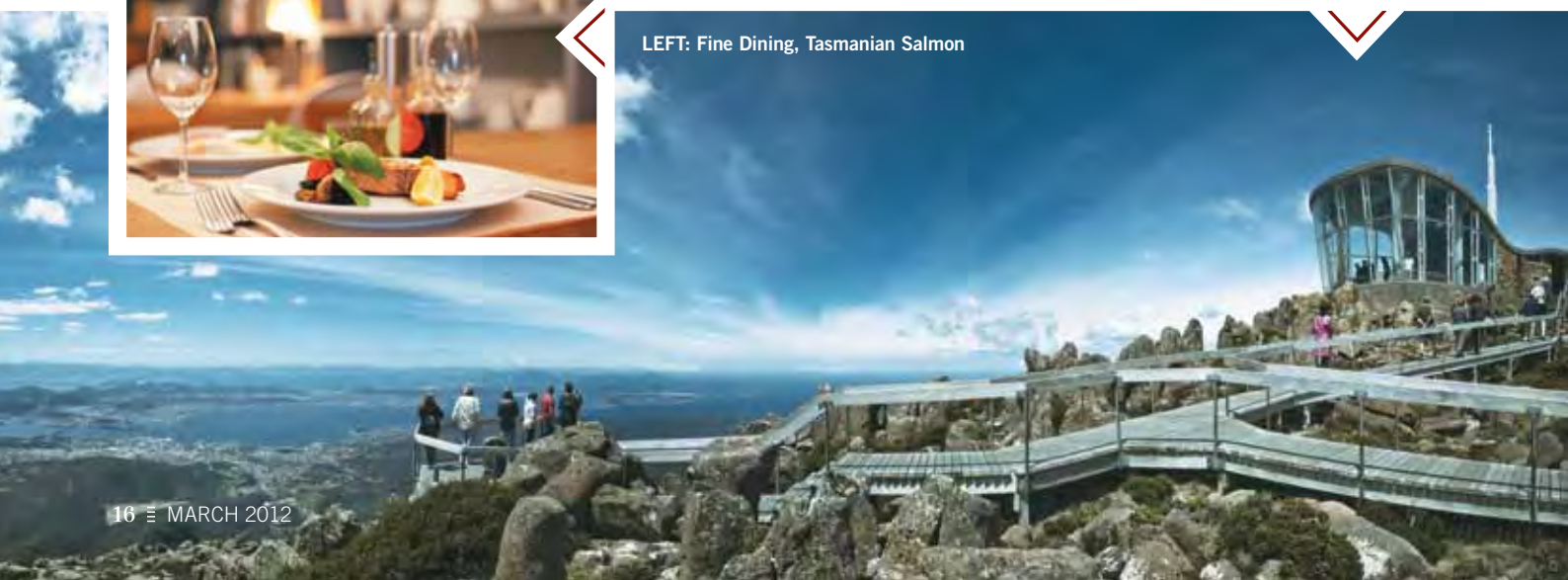
Food lovers won't be disappointed by the choice of restaurants and eateries in Hobart. Experience the freshest seafood at Prossers on the Beach, perched above the Derwent River; enjoy your meal while watching the variety of vessels such as yachts, ferries, arctic icebreakers and ocean liners gliding in and out of the harbour. Visit North Hobart's restaurant strip along Elizabeth Street and you will find every imaginable cuisine. Delight your tastebuds with Italian, Mexican, Thai, Indian and yum cha. Relax with some al fresco dining around Elizabeth Mall and if you have dietary concerns and are looking for gluten free, dairy free or vegetarian, then Nourish is the place for you.

Fishing Boats in Hobart Harbour

BELOW: View of Hobart, Tasmania from Mount Wellington



LEFT: Fine Dining, Tasmanian Salmon





LEFT: Hobart Botanical Gardens RIGHT: Salamanca Markets


One of the best ways to see a harbour city is with a cruise and you can head up river to Moorilla Vineyard or down river to the Wrest Point Casino from Watermans Dock. For more sightseeing, take the thirty-minute drive through Alpine forest, to the top of Mt Wellington for panoramic views of the city and harbour.

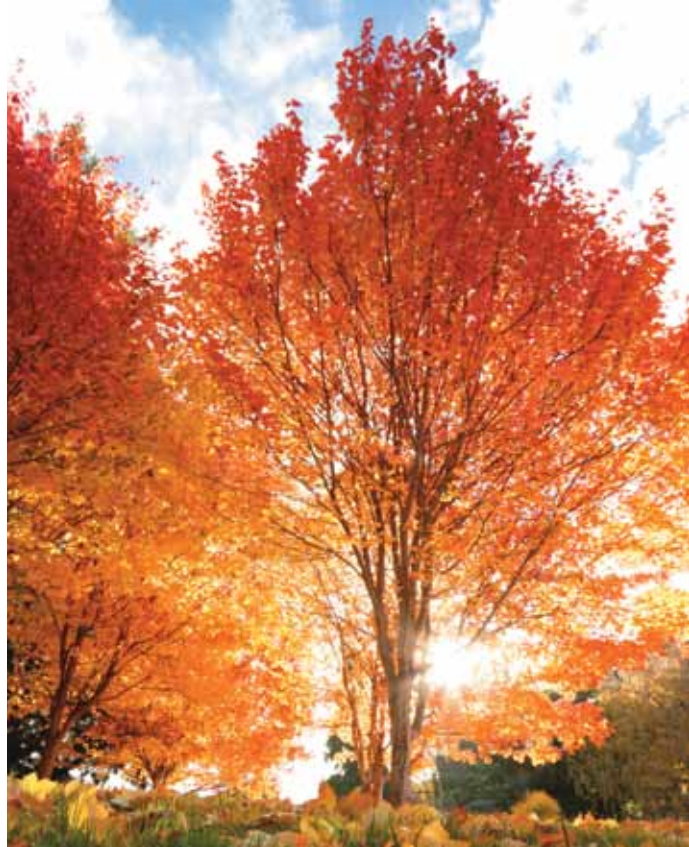
Visit Anglesea Barracks, the Royal Tasmanian Botanical Gardens and for something interactive, take Louisa's Walk, a piece of strolling theatre giving an insight to the life of an Irish convict. Many people hire a car when visiting Tasmania; why not try something a little different by hiring a classic car. Enjoy the scenery, colonial history and wildlife whilst travelling in a classic convertible.

A visit to Hobart is not complete without a trip to Seven Mile Beach. Here you will find an unspoilt village of approximately four hundred houses surrounded by three pristine golf courses and a seven-mile long swimming beach, safe for children. The beach sits between a picturesque hill at one end and sand dunes at the other.

Just twenty minutes from the city of Hobart, Seven Mile Beach is a coastal reserve, overlooking Frederick Henry Bay. This is a beach for long walks, sail boarding or surfing. Beyond the beach you will find dunes and pine forests perfect for horse riding. The reserve offers picnic facilities as well as showers and amenities blocks. At the western end of the beach a general store is conveniently located along with a children's playground and holiday accommodation.

If you walk to Sandy Point, you can watch the yachts and fishing boats then look out to Spectacle Islands, which is home to an array of sea birds, including the little penguin. If you happen to be there at low tide, walk around the point to Five Mile Beach.

An Australian modern metropolis, Hobart justly serves as Tasmania's capital. A combination of colonial heritage with contemporary cuisine, vibrant activity and incredible scenery, Hobart will engage you every minute of your holiday. 



TOP TO BOTTOM: Tasmanian autumn foliage, Hobart's Anglesea Barracks and beautiful Seven Mile Beach at sunset.

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RCI AFFILIATED RESORTS IN HOBART AND SEVEN MILE BEACH INCLUDE:

EXCHANGE

WYNDHAM SEVEN MILE BEACH (8726)
Seven Mile Beach



MEMBER REVIEW: "I think this resort was the best one we have stayed at in Australia, we really enjoyed our stay and will plan to return at some time in the future."

RENTAL

HOBART MIDCITY HOTEL
Located in the heart of Hobart's CBD (Cnr Elizabeth & Bathurst streets). A short walk to Salamanca Place and waterfront region.



3 NIGHTS FROM **AU\$399* / NZ\$529***
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R&R at Nepean Country Club

'A RESORT FOR ALL SEASONS'

(1169)



{ Discover peninsula bliss }

Idyllically located on Victoria's Mornington Peninsula, Nepean Country Club is leading the charge in health and wellbeing. The resort has recently added an impressive day spa to their already beautifully transformed property that is friendly and fun for guests of all ages.



Over the past five years, most rooms have undergone complete refurbishments, as have the gardens, sporting and recreational facilities. The resort already attracts keen golfers and lovers of gourmet food and wine with the lure of nearby boutique wineries and numerous other attractions including the Peninsula Hot Springs, means there's always plenty to see, do and enjoy. Now with an added health and well-being focus and all year round facilities, Nepean Country Club has evolved into a resort for all seasons.

If your New Year's resolution revolves around taking more time out to relax, rejuvenate and improve your overall health then look no further. The Nepean Day Spa menu is quite extensive and offers guest's affordable holistic treatments ranging from therapeutic

massage, body treatments, facials, and thermal baths to aid with circulation and increased lymphatic flow. And you can save considerably by booking his and her treatment packages.

Spend a few soothing hours at the day spa or better yet a whole week dedicated to you! You'll love the twice-weekly Tai Chi classes, evening yoga classes and aqua aerobics available four times a week with Sue the resorts fully qualified instructor. If personal training and gym orientation is more your style then guess what, that's also available. Round off all the pampering and exercise with a healthy meal from the resort café or restaurant, look out for healthy meal option symbols on the menus.

Book an exchange today or if you're lucky snap up a bargain Bonus Week to enjoy affordable pampering. **EV**

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Far Infra Red Sauna, Deep Tissue Massage, Indian Head Massage

Resort Manager Anne recommends:

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{ ancient landmark }

Tamborine Mountain

'The green behind the gold'

Despite the name, Tamborine Mountain is actually a plateau, but don't let that fool you, this part of the Gold Coast Hinterland boasts nine ancient national parks, waterfalls, a lush rainforest and great walking trails. A stone's throw from the heart of Surfers Paradise, you'll find the quaint-village like towns buzzing with a hive of activity, a variety of art galleries, unique gift shops and antiques, cafés and restaurants. And best of all you can experience this magical mountain on any budget!

TAKE A HIKE

If you're a nature lover Tamborine National Park is sure to delight, offering six walking tracks that vary in difficulty. Easy tracks such as Cedar Creek Falls and MacDonald Rainforest Circuit are ideal for birdwatching and a quiet stroll (Allow 30 minutes). For more information on walking tracks, go to www.tamborinemtnc.org.au

If you'd rather explore the lay of the land from further up high then head to Tamborine Rainforest Skywalk. Suspended 30 metres above the forest floor, this self-paced leisurely walk is a spectacular way to take in nature along the longest canopy walk in South East Queensland (Allow 1 hour). Adult admission costs AU\$18.50/NZ\$23.90 (discounted rates for families and seniors).

EXPLORE GALLERY WALK

Immerse yourself in the authentic village culture of the mountain, by taking a stroll down Long Rd. Gallery Walk is home to Fudge Heaven and as the name suggests you won't be able to resist sampling heavenly fresh fudge made with real cream and butter - there's 40 mouth-

watering varieties to choose from. Pop into P.J. Art Gallery, you'll see unique works of art celebrating the Australian outback and a visit to the nostalgic German Cuckoo Clock Nest won't disappoint, its one of the most famous tourist attractions. And if you're a wine lover head to Mount Tamborine Winery, the original and first to establish on the Hinterlands food and wine trail to sample some of their award winning wines at the cellar door.

SOMETHING FOR THE PALATE

Whether you care for a relaxed café atmosphere or supreme fine dining, you'll have plenty to choose from. If you're touring the various vineyards, most serve morning tea and lunch (Cedar Creek Estate, Tatra Cafe-Restaurant-Winery, and Heritage Estate). If your tastebuds fancy a snack, head to the southern end of Gallery Walk (Eagle Heights) to Witches Chase Cheese Co. to purchase delicious handcrafted cheeses, located in a shared premises with Mount Tamborine Brewery, boasting the best beer money can buy. Then there's local favourite St Bernards Hotel, with wonderful views of Tamborine Valley, the hotel recently featured on Channel 9's "Saturday Afternoon" programme as one of the 10 great Hotels in South East Queensland.

If you're on a budget why not pack some sandwiches and make use of the picnic areas situated at the start or near the various walking tracks.



Tamborine's natural beauty abounds.

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EXCHANGE

MARINER SHORES RESORT
Miami, QLD

MEMBER REVIEW: "Excellent all round. Lovely resort in fact, one of the best!"

*RCI special price offer for bookings made in the month of March 2012 for any travel dates subject to availability.

HOW TO GET THERE

Take a short 30-minute drive from the heart of Surfers Paradise, or for scenic views choose from several routes, one of the most popular starts at Nerang.

Alternatively, Tamborine Mountain Tours offer daily shuttle-bus transfers from the Gold Coast for AU\$40/ NZ\$52 return.

A Canary Islands Tapas Dish

Wooden rowboat on a beach at Playa De La Teristias, Tenerife.

stay



WRINKLED IS A WORD NOT GENERALLY ASSOCIATED WITH EITHER GOOD OR FOOD. BUT ON TENERIFE, AND IN SPANISH, IT'S ONE OF THE MOST ALLURING ADJECTIVES ON MENUS, RIGHT AFTER THE WORD POTATOES.

A signature dish of the Canary Islands, papas arrugadas is served with two garlicky dipping sauces. The potatoes – waxy little ones – are traditionally boiled in seawater, which leaves the skins shrivelled and coated with a dusting of salt. They're great by themselves but even better dunked into the Canarian translation of salsa: mojo.

Both green and red versions are always served with this dish, most often as an appetizer or as tapas, with the good local wines. Consider them the chips and salsa of the Canary Islands.

PAPAS ARRUGADAS CON DOS MOJOS (wrinkled potatoes with two sauces) Serves 4 - 6

MOJO VERDE (GREEN SAUCE):

1 large jalapeño, seeded and chopped
3 cloves garlic, peeled and chopped
½ cup flat-leaf parsley leaves
½ tsp. ground cumin
¼ cup red wine vinegar
½ cup extra-virgin olive oil
 Sea salt to taste

MOJO COLORADO (RED SAUCE):

2 dried red chilies
2 cloves garlic, peeled and chopped
1 tbsp. hot Spanish paprika, smoked or sweet
½ tsp. ground cumin
3 tbsp. red wine vinegar
5 tbsp. extra-virgin olive oil
 Sea salt to taste

PAPAS (POTATOES):

24 white baby potatoes, scrubbed
3 tbsp. coarse sea salt

For the mojo verde, combine everything but olive oil in a blender or food processor; process until puréed. With the machine running, drizzle in the oil and process until sauce is emulsified. Do the same to make the mojo colorado.

Place potatoes in a large pot and add water to just barely cover. Stir in salt until it dissolves. Bring to a boil and cook until potatoes are easily pierced. Drain off any remaining water, return the pot to the heat and cook, shaking the pan, until all liquid is gone and the potato skins are slightly wrinkled. Serve with the two mojos. Serves 4 to 6. 🍴

RCI AFFILIATED RESORTS ON THE CANARY ISLANDS INCLUDE:

BEVERLY HILLS CLUB (1442)
 Arona, Tenerife, Canary Islands

The Beverly Hills Club is a mile from the sandy beaches, shops, bars, and restaurants of Los Cristianos. The resort boasts a sports centre including squash, tennis, a bowling alley, a sauna, plus a beauty salon, a children's club and onsite restaurant and bar.

CLUB CASABLANCA (1668)
 Puerto de la Cruz, Tenerife Canary Islands

This Gold Crown resort is situated on a pleasant, rolling hill in the fashionable La Paz district northwest coast of Tenerife. On-site amenities include a swimming pool and the first bowling green ever to be established on the island. The club is within easy reach of the town's attractions, such as the beautiful seafront and lido, restaurants, shops, and a wide choice of entertainment.

CLUB TENERIFE (2389)
 Arona, Tenerife, Canary Islands

Near beaches and popular attractions include the parrot show at Loro Park, with the largest collection of parrots in the world, and the dolphin show at Octopus Aquapark. Enjoy shopping, restaurants, and nightlife in Santa Cruz de Tenerife. The popular and sophisticated Casino Taoro offers gaming, fine dining, and entertainment.

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HOBART MIDCITY HOTEL HOBART, TAS

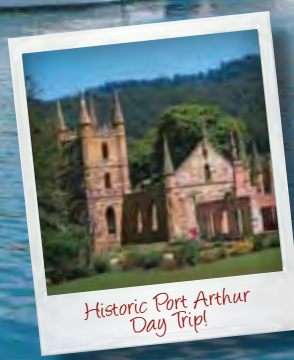
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CAIRNS BEACH RESORT CAIRNS, QLD

7 Nights From
AU\$579*/ NZ\$759*

Enjoy the tropical gardens and salt-water pool that surrounds Cairns Beach Resort. Dine at Coolums on the Beach, a beachfront restaurant and bar and relax to the sounds of the waves lapping at the shore. The resort is just a short walk and no more than ten minutes drive from most area activities.

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Mildura, VIC

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Member Review: "My wife & I have been visiting this resort at the same time of year for the past 6-7 years. We wouldn't keep coming back if we had any complaints. The staff have always been extremely helpful and polite, and the outdoor facilities and units are maintained to a high standard."



The Moorings (1174)

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7 Nights From

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Member Review: "Staff was fantastic. All very pleasant, efficient and concerned that our stay was satisfactory. The way the golf club is integrated into the amenities is a real treat. Course is challenging but fun."



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7 Nights From

AU\$199* / NZ\$259*

Member Review: "This is an ideal location for a relaxing holiday, right on a beautiful beach. The view of the ocean from the balcony was breathtaking."



Kyneton Bushland Resort (0830)

Kyneton, VIC

7 Nights From

AU\$399* / NZ\$519*

Member Review: "We have stayed at Kyneton previously. This time we used it as a base to visit Shepparton, Bendigo and Geelong."



Wyndham Resort & Spa Dunsborough (A789)

Dunsborough, WA

7 Nights From

AU\$399* / NZ\$519*

Member Review: "We loved the beach - just in front of the resort and our grandchildren LOVED it."



Naigani Island Resort (4978)

Fiji, FIJI ISLANDS

7 Nights From

AU\$199* / NZ\$259*

Member Review: "The scuba diving experience was awesome and the meals were very good."

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Melbourne

We have just returned from spending a week with our five-year-old grandson in Melbourne exploring the city by public transport. All our grandchildren at the age of five receive a holiday with their grandparents at an RCI resort. We have been to Coolangatta, Fiji, Palm Cove and now Melbourne and enjoyed every one. Our grandson especially enjoyed the tram ride from famous Flinders Street after a big day at Healesville wildlife sanctuary, that took us back to our apartment at Central Sky Lounge by the Victoria Markets. Yet another memorable RCI holiday.

- Jan & David, Auckland, NZ



Ancient Greece

A must see when in Athens - the temple in the background of this photo is dedicated to the Virgin Goddess Athena built between 470 & 432 BCE. It is opposite the Parthenon at the renovated Acropolis in Athens. While visiting in October of last year, we witnessed an annual military ceremony to mark the repulsion of the Germans by the Greeks in 1944. An interesting spectacle conducted to the right of the Temple of Athena. The crush to get through the only entry gate for the Acropolis was well worth the effort. The 360-degree views of Athens were a bonus to the history of the mountain and its magnificent temples.

- William & Lorel, Stafford Heights, QLD

Port Macquarie

Port Pacific is a beautiful resort. The apartments have been refurbished since our last visit, 3 or 4 years ago with lovely spacious rooms. The resort is well situated, just a few hundred metres from the beach and from the new shopping mall, complete with supermarket. We enjoyed the coastal walks and the nearby harbour. Port Macquarie is especially proud of its history and the museums are interesting and well laid out. These municipal attractions were also very reasonably priced costing only a few dollars. We enjoyed visiting Roto House, a Victorian home that has been restored to its original condition. The highlight for me was the visit to Rod Page's pottery at Bonville. He was very welcoming and demonstrated his craft. He was generous with his time and explained his methods and the process of the wheel and the kilns. I would recommend a visit to this resort and Port Macquarie. We found plenty to interest us, even on this our second visit.

- Cecilia, Moggill, QLD



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