

GMag

All the latest from
Gold Medal straight
to your doorstep



Fantastic offers from
£499pp & extra rewards
and prizes to be won!



Step Inside

...the Peaks issue of GMag

Welcome to the Peaks 2017 edition of GMag! How's the top selling period going for you? It's certainly been a busy one here at Gold Medal! We've had great feedback on the launch of our new look brochures and we bagged not one, not two but three awards at the Travel Weekly Globe Travel Awards - thank you so much for voting for us!

There's plenty packed into this issue of GMag, where should we begin? We have incentives galore this Peaks! Do you fancy winning one of eight holidays, find out more on the opposite page. We also have a fun-filled holiday to Dubai to give away. Plus there's two incredible incentives 'down under' up for grabs; win places on a VIP FAM trip to Queensland, Australia flying with Qantas and a holiday to Australia including New Year in Sydney. Read on to find out how you can win!

Throughout this issue you'll find plenty of product information to help build your ever-increasing travel knowledge. There's dreamin' in California, adventures in South Africa, holidays in the Indian Ocean and much more!

Keep up to date on all our latest promotions and FAM trip updates by signing up to our offer emails; send your details to GMag@goldmedal.co.uk.

Enjoy reading and we hope to hear from you soon!

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Thank you
from EVERYONE at Gold Medal - we're absolutely delighted with our THREE Globe Travel Awards!

Best Long-Haul Operator (multi-destination): Gold Medal

Best Consolidator: Gold Medal

Best Trade-Friendly Brand: Gold Medal & Travel 2



Win!
A £2,500 holiday!

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weeks holidays winners

Every week during January and February we'll award one lucky agent a long haul holiday of their choice, to the value to **£2,500!** All you need to do to enter the weekly prize draw is **make a package booking with Gold Medal.** Your booking will be **automatically entered!**

Book between 02 January and 26 February 2017 to enter.
Winners will be announced each week.

The more you book, the more chances you have to win!

DOUBLE Farebank Rewards!

Earn **DOUBLE** rewards on **EVERYTHING*** you book with Gold Medal up to 28 February 2017! Don't miss out - get booking today.



£99 deposit on all Gold Medal packages!

Secure your customer's Gold Medal holiday package with a deposit of just £99 per person** and enjoy a Price Match Guarantee* on all bookings!



Worldwide Holiday Sale NOW ON!

Step inside 2017 with incredible savings on worldwide holidays! Sign up to receive GMag Online updates by emailing GMag@goldmedal.co.uk



Terms & Conditions: Gold Medal's 888 Holiday Jackpot incentive is for eight holidays - each to the value of £2,500. If chosen holiday is over £2,500, the agent must pay the difference in cost. Destination and hotels chosen by the eight winning agents must be featured in the Gold Medal worldwide portfolio. Holiday departure dates may be subject to blackout periods. Winner will be drawn at random on a weekly basis from all package bookings made with Gold Medal between 02 January and 26 February 2017. Weeks run from Monday to Sunday. Every booking counts as a separate draw entry. Prizes are non-transferable, there is no cash alternative and Gold Medal's decision is final. *Double Farebank Rewards on all components booked with Gold Medal between 28 December 2016 and 28 February 2017 except business and first class flights. **£99pp deposit applies to web and phone packages including: (a) flights; and (b) accommodation and/or car hire, where the carrier does not require full payment at time of booking - please check with your sales agent at the time of booking. In the event that your booking is made within 10 weeks of departure, payment must be made in full at the time of booking. The balance on your booking will be payable in full no later than 10 weeks prior to departure. £99pp deposit excludes AFP and ATOL charges which are also payable at time of booking. Full details of the applicable payment will be given to you at the time of booking. Our full terms and conditions (including cancellation terms) apply to all bookings - please check the Gold Medal brochures for more details. *Price Match Guarantee on like for like bookings - terms and conditions apply, see the Gold Medal website for details. Gold Medal reserves the right to change/withdraw these incentives at any time.



Win!

New Year's Eve Sydney

Win the ultimate New Year's trip to Australia with Gold Medal!

Australia
Get down under with Gold Medal!

Imagine the ultimate trip to Australia: New Year's Eve in Sydney watching the fireworks... heading to the coast to hit the waves... donning your snorkelling gear to discover an underwater world... exploring the rainforest... seeing Uluru in the flesh...

Well now's your chance to get 'down under' with Gold Medal!

Gold Medal are giving you the chance to win a two week trip to Australia - flying in December 2017, you'll welcome 2018 in ultimate style!

To enter this incredible incentive is simple:

- Make an Australia package booking with Gold Medal between now and 31 March 2017!

The agent with the most increased Australia performance will win this incredible trip.

To qualify your entry, you must also complete all modules of the Aussie Specialist programme by 31 March 2017.

Snorkel on the Great Barrier Reef



See Uluru



Surf's up



Book Australia between 12 September 2016 and 31 March 2017 to WIN!

Terms and conditions: The promoter of this competition is Gold Medal. Australia package bookings made with Gold Medal during incentive period 12 September 2016 - 31 March 2017 will be tracked. Agents must complete the Tourism Australia Aussie Specialist Training Program at www.aussiespecialist.com to qualify to win. The agent with the highest percentage increase in combined revenue year on year during the incentive period will win the prize. Winner will be announced at the end of the incentive. Winner will have to be free to fly on a fixed date in late December 2017, exact date will be confirmed when the prize is awarded - this is not changeable. Prize is non-transferable and there is no cash alternative available. Holiday terms and conditions apply and will be confirmed to the prize winner - prize will include return economy flights for two adults and up to two children, accommodation for 14 nights and various experiences. Prize will be awarded at an agency level, individual winning agent will be at the discretion of the agency manager. Gold Medal reserves the right to withdraw this incentive or change trip details at any time.

THERE'S NOTHING LIKE AUSTRALIA



Great Barrier Reef

Sydney, Rock & Reef - First Timers' Trip

- Cambridge Hotel, Sydney ●●●● (4 nights room only)
- DoubleTree by Hilton Alice Springs ●●●● (1 night room only)
- AAT Kings: Uluru & Kings Canyon Discovery independent tour (2 nights room only)
- DoubleTree by Hilton Alice Springs ●●●● (1 night room only)
- Meridian Port Douglas ●●●● (5 nights room only)

Day tours include: Learn To Surf Bondi Beach Experience, Bonza Bike Tour and Sydney BridgeClimb in Sydney, a Quicksilver Outer Barrier Reef Cruise from Port Douglas, Kuranda Skyrail and Tjapukai Cultural Park in Cairns

13 nights from **£2,659pp**

Special offers include: One FREE night & room upgrade in Sydney

City & Coastal Experience

- Sullivans Perth ●●●● (3 nights room only)
- Seashells Yallingup, Margaret River ●●●● (3 nights room only)
- Karri Valley Resort ●●●● (2 nights room only)
- ibis Styles Albany ●●●● (1 night room only)
- Fraser Island Adventure Package (from Hervey Bay, 2 nights with breakfast)
- Oaks Festival Towers Brisbane ●●●● (1 night room only)
- Palm Bungalows, Hamilton Island ●●●● (5 nights with breakfast)

Day tours include: Discover Rottnest tour and Perth & Fremantle Morning Sights tour. Car hire from Perth (5 days) and Brisbane (4 days)

17 nights from **£2,469pp**

Special offers include: One FREE night in Perth, one FREE night in Margaret River & one FREE night at Hamilton Island



Kangaroo Island

AATKings
Bringing Australia & New Zealand to life



Sydney Harbour

Australian Highlights Tour

- Melbourne ● Alice Springs ● Kata Tjuta ● Uluru ● Great Barrier Reef ● Cairns ● Sydney

AAT Kings offer a fantastic range of guided and independent tours, on board luxury coaches. Their tours cover the must-see parts of Australia and are brilliant additions to any holiday 'down under'. Diverse red desert landscapes, cosmopolitan cities and the clear waters of the Great Barrier Reef make this 13-day guided tour one that ticks all the boxes. On arrival in Melbourne you'll join your Travel Director and fellow travellers for a welcome dinner on board Melbourne's famous Colonial Tramcar Restaurant. Over the next 13 days you'll wander through Melbourne's eclectic laneways, meet the Falzon family in Alice Springs and feel the ancient heartbeat of the Red Centre, then snorkel on the reef and visit Sydney's spectacular harbour. Highlights include an Aussie BBQ experience at Earth Sanctuary, toasting an Uluru sunset with gourmet canapés and wine, a spectacular Red Centre sunrise, boarding a high speed catamaran and cruising out to the Great Barrier Reef and experiencing the Sydney Opera House on a guided tour.

12 nights from **£4,129pp**



Sydney BridgeClimb, Sydney from £99pp



Quicksilver Outer Barrier Reef Cruise, Port Douglas from £129pp



Mbantua Starlight Bush Dinner, Alice Springs from £102pp



Swim with Wild Dolphins, Perth from £15pp



Win!

Great Barrier Reef, Cairns & Great Barrier Reef region

Win a VIP FAM trip with Gold Medal to Queensland, Australia!

Discover Queensland with Qantas



Gold Medal is giving you a chance to win a place on a VIP FAM trip to Queensland, Australia flying in June this year with Qantas! Your journey starts with Qantas, so you experience the Spirit of Australia as soon as you step on board, taking you to the vibrant city of Brisbane. You'll have the chance to soak up the sunshine and encounter Australia's unique wildlife, unwind on a beach in a tropical paradise, sail around idyllic islands, ride the surf on Queensland's coast, step back in time into ancient rainforests and snorkel on the Great Barrier Reef... all under the sunny skies that Queensland is known for.



Magnetic Island

Queensland motorhome adventure

Hotel Jen Brisbane ●●●● (2 nights room only)
Apollo campervan: Euro Tourer 2 Berth S/T (11 nights self catering)
 (Recommended route: Brisbane - Noosa - Rockhampton - Airlie Beach - Townsville - Cairns - Palm Cove - Port Douglas - Cairns)
Pacific Hotel Cairns ●●●● (3 nights room only)
 Day tours include: Brisbane Whale Watching tour and Brisbane Croc Express at Australia Zoo; Quicksilver Outer Barrier Reef tour, a Daintree Walkabout and Tjapakai by Night from Cairns, Port Douglas or Palm Cove. Motorhome hire: Pick up on day 3 in Brisbane, drop off in Cairns on day 14.
16 nights from £1,829pp
 Includes one FREE night in Cairns
 Includes return Economy flights from London Heathrow with Qantas
 Valid for departures 02 - 30 2017.

City, coast & rainforest self-drive
ibis Brisbane ●●●● (1 night room only)
O'Reilly's Rainforest Retreat, Southern Queensland ●●●● (2 nights room only)
Peppers Noosa Resort & Villas, Noosa ●●●● (2 nights room only)
Fraser Island Adventure (3 nights with breakfast)
The Reef House Palm Cove ●●●● (3 night with breakfast)
Meridien Port Douglas ●●●● (2 nights room only)
Silky Oaks Lodge, Daintree Rainforest ●●●● (2 nights with breakfast)
 Day tours include: Cape Tribulation & Daintree tour from Palm Cove and Ocean Spirit Great Barrier Reef Cruise from Port Douglas. Car hire: Pick up on day 1 from Brisbane Airport, drop off on day 8 at Brisbane Airport. Pick up on arrival on day 8 at Cairns Airport, drop off on day 14 at Cairns Airport.
15 nights from £3,089pp
 Includes return Economy flights from London Heathrow with Qantas
 Valid for departures 22 May - 06 Jun 2017



Brisbane

There are 15 places up for grabs on this incredible trip with Gold Medal. To win your place, simply book Queensland packages flying Qantas between 07 December 2016 and 15 February 2017.

- The TEN agents with the highest revenue sales will win a place!
- The FOUR agents with the most improved sales vs. last year will win a place!
- Plus ONE agent who best showcased their support of Queensland on Australia Day (26 January) will win a place!



Fraser Island



Fly with Qantas



Daintree National Park

Book Queensland and Qantas between 07 December 2016 and 15 February 2017 to win!

EARN DOUBLE FAREBANK REWARDS on every Queensland booking including Qantas flights booked between 07 December 2016 and 15 February 2017!



Queensland AUSTRALIA

Terms and conditions: Queensland package bookings flying with Qantas made with Gold Medal during incentive period 07 December 2016 to 15 February 2017 will be automatically entered into the incentive. The ten agents with the highest revenue for qualifying bookings during the incentive period will win a place. The four agents with the highest percentage increase in combined revenue year on year for qualifying bookings during the incentive period will win a place. One wildcard place will be awarded to the agent who best showcased Queensland promotions within their agency on Australia Day (26 January 2017). All 15 winners will be announced at the end of the incentive. Prize is non-transferable and there is no cash alternative available. Prize will be awarded at an agency level. Individual winning agent will be at the discretion of the agency manager. Agents must complete the Queensland module of the Tourism Australia Aussie Specialist Training Program at www.aussiespecialist.com and the Qantas OTT module at www.qantasagenttraining.co.uk to qualify to win. Details and inclusions of the FAM will be confirmed closer to the time of travel - experiences highlighted are an example only at this stage. FAM is due to travel in June 2017. Double Farebank Rewards applies to Queensland packages flying Qantas booked 07 December 2016 to 15 February 2017 only - Right and accommodation elements will receive double rewards. Not applicable to TCCT stores. Gold Medal reserves the right to withdraw this incentive or change prize details at any time. The promoter of this competition is Gold Medal.

Extend your customer's holiday with these 'add-on' packages:

Whitsundays Catamaran Cruise
 2 day / 2 night cruise of the Whitsundays with snorkelling, bushwalks and fabulous beaches
from £479pp
 Valid for departures 01 Apr 2017 - 31 Mar 2018. International flights not included.

Cairns to Lizard Island to Cairns
 5 day / 4 night cruise of the Great Barrier Reef with Coral Expeditions in a spacious cabin
from £1,279pp
 Valid for departures 01 Apr - 01 Dec 2017. International flights not included.

Australia's Nature Coast
 1 night Lady Elliot Island, 1 night Fraser Island, 1 night Noosa, 1 night Mooloolaba/Caloundra & 1 night Glass House Mountains
from £679pp
 Valid for departures 01 Apr - 26 Oct 2017. International flights not included.

Rainforest Exploration
 2 nights Daintree Wilderness Lodge, 1 night Cape Tribulation Beach House & 2 nights Mungumby Lodge, Cooktown
from £499pp
 Valid for departures 01 Apr - 31 May 2017. International flights not included.

Arrive refreshed with Qantas
 When it comes to travelling to Australia, Qantas believes your customer's journey should be as memorable as the destination. As they step on board the Qantas A380 they will experience an exceptional level of personal service, with style and relaxation and a superior product offering as well as a wide range of inflight entertainment. From London Heathrow, the award-winning Qantas A380 flies twice daily: once to Sydney and once to Melbourne, both via the dynamic hub of Dubai. On arrival in Australia, your customers can utilise the unrivalled Qantas domestic network connecting them to over 60 destinations across the country; including airports across Queensland.



Qantas A380 Premium Economy



Destination focus

St. Pete/Clearwater, Florida



With 35 miles of spectacular award-winning white-sand beaches and an average 361 days of sunshine per year, you are sure to find the perfect spot to soak up the sun whenever you visit St. Pete/Clearwater. The area offers something for everyone and a holiday experience that's second to none.

Shopping

St. Pete/Clearwater has a variety of malls, shopping villages and speciality stores from boutiques and antique stores to beachside shops and farmers markets. Find souvenirs and local artisan wares at St. Petersburg's Saturday morning market, or explore Clearwater's Tyrone Square Mall - it has a little bit of everything.

Eating out

Among the culinary landmarks that define the area as much as the sea are The Hurricane on St. Pete Beach and Beachcomber Restaurant on Clearwater Beach. Both serve seafood on the sand's edge.

Entertainment and nightlife

They know how to celebrate here, and it shows in the multitude of events and festivals. From the food fests to music making on the water, from the wacky to the whimsical, there's always something going on in St. Pete/Clearwater. Major events include the massive Clearwater Jazz Holiday music festival in October, the St. Pete's Mainsail Arts Festival and the nightly Sunset Festival at Pier 60. Plus there's over 50 fairways, Major League Baseball, dolphin encounters, a fine art beach market and much more.

Out and about

There's no shortage of fabulous things to see and do in the St. Pete/Clearwater area but just a short car journey away is a whole host of entertainment and relaxation possibilities in Orlando as well. **Car hire from £27pd.** Why not suggest your customers take a day trip to the theme parks of Orlando, including SeaWorld Parks and Entertainment®?

Experience three amazing Florida parks for the price of two! The 3-Park Ticket is the same price as the 2-Park Ticket and offers 14 consecutive days unlimited access to SeaWorld®, Aquatica and Busch Gardens; as well as FREE unlimited parking. **From £111 per adult and £108 per child!**

Sirata Beach Resort

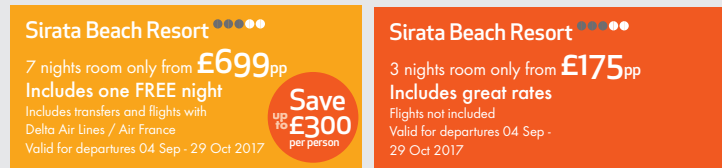
7 nights room only from **£699pp**
Includes one FREE night
Includes transfers and flights with Delta Air Lines / Air France
Valid for departures 04 Sep - 29 Oct 2017
Save up to £300 per person

Sirata Beach Resort

3 nights room only from **£175pp**
Includes great rates
Flights not included
Valid for departures 04 Sep - 29 Oct 2017



Beautiful beaches St. Pete/Clearwater offers 35 miles of award-winning beaches and some of the best sunsets around - be prepared to be mesmerised!



Treasure Island Beach

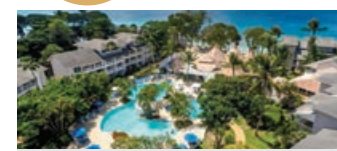
Elite Island Resorts CARIBBEAN

It's all included in the Caribbean

Elite Island Resorts offer an impressive collection of all inclusive Caribbean resorts. Whether your customers are looking for an adult only retreat in Antigua or Barbados, family friendly fun in Saint Lucia or Antigua, or complete exclusivity in the Grenadines, there's an island to suit everyone.

NEW!

Enjoy NEW fitness and mindfulness facilities at St James's Club & Villas and Galley Bay Resort & Spa Antigua, with floatfit® CARIBBEAN aquabase® and The Caribbean Colour Me Calm Club!



Barbados
The Club Barbados Resort & Spa
7 nights all inclusive from **£1,589pp**
Includes reduced rates
Save up to £620 per person
Includes transfers and flights with Virgin Atlantic. Valid for departures 01 May - 17 Jun 2017



Antigua
Pineapple Beach Club
7 nights all inclusive from **£1,329pp**
Includes reduced rates
Save up to £725 per person
Includes transfers and flights with British Airways. Valid for departures 01 May - 17 Jun 2017



Les Pitons, Saint Lucia



Antigua



Antigua
St James's Club & Villas
7 nights all inclusive from **£1,449pp**
Includes reduced rates
Save up to £675 per person
Includes transfers and flights with British Airways. Valid for departures 26 Aug - 09 Oct 2017



Antigua
The Verandah Resort & Spa
7 nights all inclusive from **£1,379pp**
Includes reduced rates
Save up to £645 per person
Includes transfers and flights with British Airways. Valid for departures 26 Aug - 09 Oct 2017



Antigua
Galley Bay Resort & Spa
7 nights all inclusive from **£2,179pp**
Includes reduced rates
Save up to £585 per person
Includes transfers and flights with British Airways. Valid for departures 26 Aug - 09 Oct 2017



Saint Lucia
St. James's Club Morgan Bay
7 nights all inclusive from **£1,359pp**
Includes reduced rates
Save up to £550 per person
Includes transfers and flights with Virgin Atlantic. Valid for departures 01 May - 17 Jun 2017



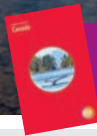
Grenadines
Palm Island Resort & Spa
7 nights all inclusive from **£2,199pp**
Includes reduced rates
Save up to £655 per person
Includes transfers and flights with Virgin Atlantic. Valid for departures 26 Aug - 09 Oct 2017

Go bigger, better, further... Explore Canada

A destination with a difference, Canada has it all. Bustling cities packed with things to see and do. Outdoor adventures for adrenaline seekers. Provincial Parks filled with natural beauty. An abundance of wildlife roaming land, sea and skies. Out of this world experiences you won't find anywhere else. You name it, you'll find the holiday of a lifetime waiting in Canada. As the second largest country in the world its home to a unique blend of history and culture from the French speaking province of Québec to the First Nations experiences in British Columbia. Awaken your inner explorer and discover unexpected wonders.



Yoho National Park, British Columbia



Order your copies of the Canada 2017-18 brochure via TradeGate – this year we've added four new train journeys, 13 new hotels and four new tours, plus a whole new destination – The Yukon

Western Canada

Western Canada welcomes visitors with adventure, beauty and wilderness. Take to the streets of Vancouver and shop 'til you drop, sip a coffee on the sidewalk or stroll through Stanley Park. Or perhaps the great outdoors top your 'to do list' in which case the Rocky Mountains or the stunning town of Whistler offer breathtaking vistas and picture perfect landscapes to explore.

Vancouver



Eastern Canada

Comprising Ontario, Québec and The Maritimes, Eastern Canada is filled with iconic gems just waiting to be discovered. From the popular tourist attractions such as Niagara Falls on the border and the soaring CN Tower in Toronto, to undiscovered and off the beaten track sights such as Montmorency Falls in Québec and the smallest of the provinces – Prince Edward Island – you'll be spoilt for choice.

Quebec



The Yukon

A brand new destination in the Canada 2017-18 brochure offering opportunities to discover a land of vast wilderness and outstanding natural beauty as far north as Canada allows. The capital city Whitehorse is known as 'The Wilderness City' thanks to its remote location but don't be fooled, your customers will still find all the modern amenities they'd expect from a city metropolis. Be sure to suggest they visit Takhini Hot Springs where the Northern Lights can often be sighted after dark. We've included three all-encompassing itineraries which showcase the best this fascinating region has to offer, turn to page 52 to see our self-drive and escorted touring options.



Northern Lights

Brand new destination for 2017



Moraine Lake, Banff



Vancouver

Western Canada motorhome itinerary

Western Canada is the best place to explore the great outdoors and nature's wonders – and this tour includes the heart of it all, the splendour of the Rocky Mountains. By travelling across the landscape in a motorhome you can do so at your own pace and never be more than several steps away from nature! Enjoy fabulous cosmopolitan Vancouver, experience a wildlife tour or take a soothing soak in hot springs! Then just sit back and take in the glorious views of the majestic snow-capped mountains and those pristine turquoise lakes. This itinerary visits Okanagan Valley, the Monashee Mountains, Lake Louise, Banff, Calgary, Jasper and the Columbia Mountains.

11 nights in a C19 Motorhome from **£1,139pp**

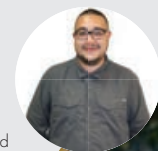
Includes reduced rates, FREE provisioning kit with motorhome & one night accommodation in Vancouver before motorhome pick up

Flights with British Airways. Valid for departures 05 Apr - 04 May 2017
Excludes campground and National Park entry fees.

Save up to **£115** per person

Top tips from the experts

Ross Sinclair
Canada Product Manager



"Destination Canada has created the Canadian Signature Experiences (CSE) collection – once-in-a-lifetime travel experiences, from helicopter tours, polar bear safaris and incredible train journeys found only in Canada. Check out my top three 'must dos' below and look out for this icon throughout our brochure for more extraordinary experiences to inspire your customers.

- Bear viewing is an activity not to be missed in Canada and there is no better place than the dedicated lodges of Knight Inlet and Great Bear Lodge, see pages 30 & 31 of the Gold Medal Canada brochure for more details
- If your customers are visiting Calgary in July suggest they check out the Stampede, a festival of rodeos, music, events, racing and named one of the greatest outdoor shows on Earth
- Three day Yukon Northern Lights Tour – the stunning experience of the Northern Lights is a must see for those visiting Canada between mid-August and April, find out more on page 27



Experiences

Discover the Canadian Rockies by Rail



Winner of eight World Travel Awards



ROCKY MOUNTAINEER

All aboard for the adventure of a lifetime... a trip on the award-winning Rocky Mountaineer will transport your customers in more ways than one. The spectacular peaks and breathtaking scenery of the Canadian Rockies are theirs to discover, offering four unique rail routes, impeccable service, gourmet cuisine and over 65 holiday packages, there is an adventure for everyone onboard Rocky Mountaineer.

Choose the right service for your customers

Onboard choose between SilverLeaf and GoldLeaf Service. The luxurious bi-level fully glass dome GoldLeaf Service coach gives your customers unparalleled views, and an exclusive lower level dining room. The single level SilverLeaf Service coach provides panoramic views through oversized windows, and meals served in the comfort of your seat.



SilverLeaf Service



Soak up the scenery
Enjoy the raw beauty and wildness of the landscape, and look out for grizzly bears, elk or bald eagles as the train meanders through the awe-inspiring terrain of the Canadian Rockies.



GoldLeaf Service cuisine

Feast for the Senses
Savour delectable gourmet meals and snacks made from locally sourced fresh produce, whilst enjoying a glass of British Columbia wine or beer.



GoldLeaf Service

Indulge in impeccable service
Onboard Hosts will dazzle your customers with their captivating storytelling and attentiveness.

In celebration of Canada's 150th birthday, Rocky Mountaineer is giving your customers up to £350* in added value to use towards an extra hotel night, dining, cruising, sightseeing and more.

Hurry and book a 2017 qualifying package by 03 March 2017.

*Terms and conditions apply.



Western Highlights Vancouver - Calgary

6 nights from **£2,739pp**

Includes 6 nights accommodation & two day Silverleaf Service onboard the Rocky Mountaineer
Includes flights with Air Canada
Valid for departures 01 - 27 May 2017



Air Canada 787

THE DOOR TO NORTH AMERICA IS OFFICIALLY OPEN.

Over 100 Canadian and US destinations.

Experience Air Canada's award-winning service with non-stop flights from London Heathrow to Toronto, Montréal, Vancouver, Ottawa, Calgary, Halifax and St. John's. From there, enjoy seamless access to destinations all across North America. As your customers step on board, they will start to experience the vast difference that is Air Canada. Room to move. Room to breathe.

On Air Canada's International Economy Class your customers can enjoy advance seat selection free of charge, up to a generous 32 inch seat pitch, complimentary hot meal with a selection of wines and spirits, plus hours of entertainment and comfort with their very own seat back touchscreen TV. Upgrade your customers to Premium Economy on the daily Toronto, Vancouver, Calgary services and select Montréal services for an even larger seat in a separate cabin.

FLIGHTS TO CANADA FROM £499pp*

*Based on London Heathrow to Toronto

Out and about with Gold Medal

The run up to the New Year and Peaks have been busy, busy for the Gold Medal team! Our Key Account Managers – Ben, Claire, Louisa, Carla, Hollie, Gemma, Koral, Andy and Colin – have travelled around the country to visit lots of you, our lovely of agents, plus they've joined you on the odd night out and awarded some prizes (and picked up a couple of awards ourselves) too! Can you spot yourself or any of your colleagues here?



Louisa had a fab night catching up with all the agents at the Advantage members dinner in London.

Colin, Koral and Micky were set up bright and early at the Clubworld Holiday Show in Belfast. Bring on the crowds.



Congratulations to Shannon from Lincolnshire Co-op who was our first winner of the Gold Medal Holiday Jackpot, receiving £2,500 towards a holiday! Shannon is already booked and is off to California!



Louisa and Carla have been out on the road delivering Gold Medal goodie bags to lots of lovely agents! Jo and the team at Toucan Travel Chineham were loving the mugs... cup of tea anyone?



Congratulations and thank you to all the winners at the Gold Medal & Travel 2 Agent Awards 2016.



Mesmerising Mauritius

For those seeking warm temperatures year-round, crystal clear waters, and a superior standard of service and accommodation, the popular island of Mauritius is the perfect tropical destination... check out our latest offers and tempt your customers to take the plunge and book their next long haul holiday to Mauritius.



All inclusive

Maritim Resort & Spa *****

7 nights all inclusive from

£1,499pp

Includes reduced rates

Save up to **£480** per person

Includes transfers and flights with Emirates Valid for departures 01 May - 21 Jun 2017



All inclusive

Maritim Crystals Beach Hotel Mauritius *****

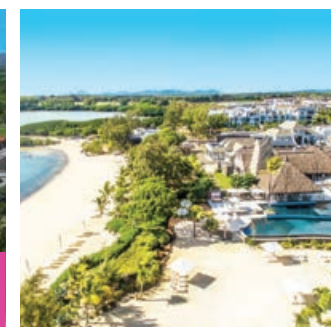
7 nights all inclusive from

£1,229pp

Includes reduced rates

Save up to **£525** per person

Includes transfers and flights with Emirates Valid for departures 01 May - 21 Jun 2017



Radisson Blu Azuri Resort & Spa *****

7 nights half board from

£1,049pp

Includes reduced rates

Save up to **£430** per person

Includes transfers and flights with Emirates Valid for departures 01 May - 21 Jun 2017



All inclusive option

The Westin Turtle Bay Resort & Spa *****

7 nights half board from

£1,189pp

Includes reduced rates, FREE Club Lounge access & £50 resort credit

Save up to **£895** per person

Includes transfers and flights with Emirates Valid for departures 01 May - 21 Jun 2017



All inclusive option

Sugar Beach Golf & Spa Resort *****

7 nights half board from

£1,329pp

Includes great low rates

Save up to **£200** per person

Includes transfers and flights with Emirates Valid for departures 01 May - 21 Jun 2017

Expert insight

Deborah Wadhams Indian Ocean Product Manager

"The stunning isles of the Indian Ocean are some of the most heavenly honeymoon destinations in the world, ideal for loved-up couples. Throughout the 2017-18 brochure we have highlighted honeymoon offers which have been sourced specifically for your customers ready for the 2017-18 wedding season, as well as a selection of free nights, discounts and room upgrade offers. Call for our very latest honeymoon offers today."



Friendly, colourful & bursting with culture Delve into Thailand



Named 'The Land of Smiles' for a reason, your customers will find Thailand not only beautiful but always friendly and certainly surprising. It's easy to see why the sun-drenched beaches, luxurious hotels and a wealth of activities and attractions are a favourite of both families and couples alike.

From the golden temples and emerald paddy fields to sapphire seas and saffron robes of the Buddhist monks, 'colourful' is certainly one of the words that they'll be using to describe their trip to Thailand... add to this the pure white sand and clear blue waters that are so tempting, if they're a beach lover they'll be spoilt for choice. Thailand is brimming with things to do on their holiday. Try snorkelling, diving, sailing, kayaking, hiking, rock climbing, golf... or simply relaxing at one of the incredible spas and indulging in a traditional Thai massage. The options are simply endless... check out four of our top tips.

Suggest a twin-centre

Bangkok is a non-stop city that reflects Thailand's uncanny ability to blend the old with the new. Resplendent temples and the spectacular 18th century Grand Palace are contrasted by canalside markets and sophisticated, high class shopping malls. Suggest your customers try a twin-centre by adding a city break in Bangkok to their Thai adventure.

Experiences they'll never forget

Thailand is famous for its incredible Asian elephants. Enjoy an eco-friendly holiday as you feed, wash and interact with these amazing gentle giants. Elephant Hills, Thailand's first luxury tented jungle camp in Khao Sok, provides the perfect location.

Hideaway

From shorelines your customers won't have to share, suggest they spend a few days on one of Thailand's tranquil island hideaways such as Koh Pha Ngan or Koh Samui. Boasting opulent, yet intimate resorts and just a hint of adventure, a Thai hideaway offers total escapism and is the epitome of pure luxury.



Royal Grand Palace, Bangkok



Koh Samui



Bangkok tuk tuk



Chiang Mai rice field



Khao Lak beach

Off the beaten track

To connect with traditional Thailand, travel to the two most northerly provinces - Chiang Mai and Chiang Rai - is a must. Home to ancient jungles, discover amazing wildlife or take a boat ride on the mighty Mekong River. In this fascinating area there is also the possibility of spending time with one of the resident hill tribes, whose lifestyles have barely changed in over 700 years.

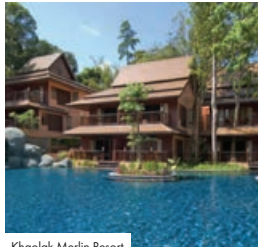
Thailand multi-centre offers




Bangkok & Koh Samui
Century Park ●●●●● 3 nights room only
Amari Koh Samui ●●●●● 7 nights with breakfast
 10 nights from **£1,149pp**
Includes three FREE nights & 2500THB resort credit voucher
 Includes transfers and flights with Qatar Airways / Bangkok Airways
 Valid for departures 18 Apr - 19 Jun 2017



Save
up to
£450
per person



Khao Lak & Elephant Hills
Khaolak Merlin Resort ●●●●● 7 nights with breakfast
Elephant Hills, Khao Sok ●●●●● 2 nights full board
 9 nights from **£1,039pp**
Includes one FREE night & early booking offer
 Includes transfers and flights with Qatar Airways
 Valid for departures 18 Apr - 19 Jun 2017



Save
up to
£390
per person



Phuket & Chiang Mai
Patong Merlin Resort, Phuket ●●●●●
 8 nights with breakfast
Dusit Princess Chiang Mai ●●●●●
 3 nights with breakfast
 11 nights from **£899pp**
Includes five FREE nights & early booking offer
 Includes transfers and flights with Qatar Airways
 Valid for departures 18 Apr - 19 Jun 2017



Save
up to
£565
per person



An unforgettable experience



BEST AIRLINE STAFF IN THE MIDDLE EAST

Qatar Airways flies to over 150 destinations worldwide including Bangkok, Krabi and Phuket in Thailand, with nine daily flights between the UK and its hub in Doha. Winner of the World's Best Business Class 2016 and Best Staff Service in the Middle East, Qatar Airways provides everything your customers need for a truly unforgettable travel experience.



Fly to Thailand from £365pp



Destination focus

South Africa

Experience wild, adrenaline-fuelled, breathtaking, captivating, endless, bustling WOW



Johannesburg

South Africa is a stunning country where vistas alternate between vibrant cities and dense bush land, to open plains and stunning scenery. Laying claim to over 20 beautiful National Parks, eight World Heritage Sites, the cosmopolitan cities of Cape Town and Johannesburg, 1,700 miles of incredible coastline, a perfect climate and adventures to get the adrenaline pumping – South Africa will certainly take you on a journey like no other.

Essentials
Flying time: From 11 hours
Local currency: South African Rand
GMT: +2 hours
Car hire from £13 per day



Port Elizabeth



Knysna

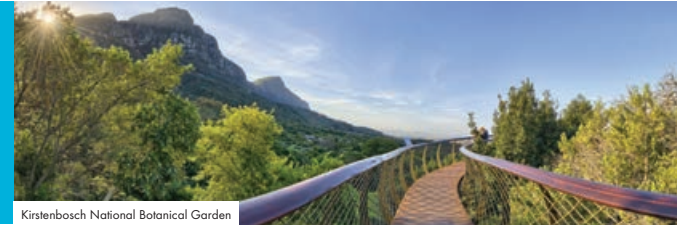
Cape Town, Garden Route & Safari self-drive
Cape Town | Mossel Bay | Knysna | Port Elizabeth | Eastern Cape
9 nights from **£1,999pp**
Includes great rates & ten days car hire
Flight with South African Airways
Valid for departures 01 - 30 Mar 2017

Save up to **£415** per person

'Big five' reasons to visit

Outdoor playground

The combination of spectacular landscapes and beautiful weather make South Africa perfect for adventure and with paragliding, skydiving, dune boarding, surfing, canopy tours – just to name a few of the many activities available – there's something to suit all visitors.



Kirstenbosch National Botanical Garden

Bustling city life

The capital city Cape Town offers pristine beaches, excellent art galleries and a cool urban edge with quirky yet trendy bars, world-class restaurants – offering everything from traditional comfort food to Michelin-starred dining – and designer savvy shops. But perhaps its most famous landmark is the towering Table Mountain, which sits proudly overlooking the city.



Vibrant culture

Explore the culture and heritage of this fascinating country. Not to be missed is a visit to KwaZulu Natal to see the historic battlefields and Shakaland – a living museum of the life and times of Shaka, the famous leader of the Zulu people. Or for those visiting Cape Town, try the Walk to Freedom Tour, which includes a visit to Robben Island – the place where Nelson Mandela was imprisoned for 27 years.



Robben Island

Breathtaking scenery

South Africa is blessed with spectacular scenery, from Table Mountain to God's Window, the mountains, forests, coasts and deserts of South Africa are awe inspiring. How about driving the coastal Garden Route – a mix of modern golf courses, luxury hotels and stunning beaches – hot air ballooning over the Magaliesberg Mountains or sipping some of South Africa's best wines surrounded by the beautiful scenery of Stellenbosch or Franschoek.



Garden Route

Untouched wild

No trip to South Africa would be complete without going in search of the famous 'Big Five' – rhino, elephant, lion, leopard and buffalo – book a stay at a private game reserve in the Kruger National Park or one of the Garden Route safaris. Outside the reserves there are plenty of other wildlife spotting opportunities; go eye-to-eye with wild tiger sharks, cage-dive with great whites and be charmed by urban penguins.



Rhino



The South African Airways Experience

South African Airways is Africa's most awarded airline and offers flights on the largest route network within Southern Africa. With twice daily flights from the newly refurbished Heathrow Terminal 2 to Johannesburg, all services operate overnight effectively giving you an extra day in both directions.



Amazing must-dos in Dubai

Dubai is a unique holiday destination that delivers out-of-this-world experiences and can offer something for everyone. From the Palm Jumeirah, Creekside, the beaches, desert and Downtown, to the bustling Walk and Marina, Dubai offers a host of different landscapes at every turn.

Just a seven hour flight from the UK, Dubai is perfectly positioned for a long weekend or short break away in the sun, and is currently rivalling Europe as an affordable summer break. With so much to see and do your customers could easily run out of time, so be sure to pass on our top tips so they can plan ahead to see all of the great attractions on offer! With incredible deals offered throughout the year, it's a must-do destination in which to spend a little more time. **These are our top ten things to tick off the ultimate Dubai bucket list...**



1

A trip to the world's tallest building - Burj Khalifa



Win!
with
Gold Medal



2

Go deep into the desert to explore on a safari



3

Visit the Dubai Aquarium at The Dubai Mall



4

Enjoy a splashing good time at Aquaventure Waterpark

WIN a fun-filled summer holiday to Dubai!

Book between 01 February and 31 March 2017 to win!

How would you like to win an incredible fun-filled family holiday to Dubai, staying at not one but TWO brand new hotels with tickets to TWO of Dubai hottest new attractions? Now's your chance with Gold Medal and Dubai Tourism! To be in with a chance of winning, all you have to do is book a Dubai package with Gold Medal or PURE LUXURY between 01 February and 31 March 2017. You'll be entered into a prize draw where one lucky agent will win!

This extraordinary prize includes:

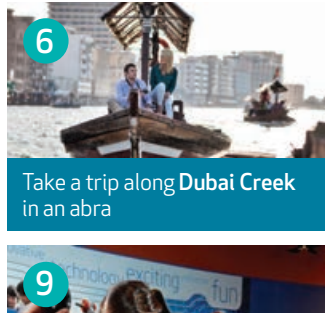
- Return economy flights for two adults and two children
- Five nights half board accommodation: three nights at Viceroy Palm Jumeirah and two nights at Jumeirah Al Naseem at Madinat Jumeirah
- Tickets to Dubai Parks and Resorts
- Tickets to IMG World of Adventure

Terms and conditions: New Gold Medal and PURE LUXURY bookings made during incentive including minimum three nights in Dubai and flights will be automatically entered into the prize draw to win the holiday. Prize is for up to two adults and two children. Black out dates and restrictions apply for travel. Winning agent will be announced at the end of the incentive. Prize is non-transferable and there is no cash alternative available. Gold Medal reserves the right to withdraw these incentives or change trip details at any time.



5

Hit the slopes at Ski Dubai



6

Take a trip along Dubai Creek in an abra



7

Have afternoon tea at the Burj Al Arab



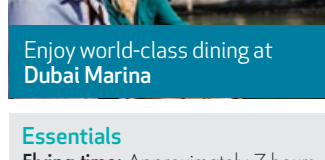
8

Explore the historic gold, spice and textile souks



9

Head to brand new Dubai Parks and Resorts or IMG World of Adventure for full on fun



10

Enjoy world-class dining at Dubai Marina

Essentials

Flying time: Approximately 7 hours

Local currency: UAE Dirham

GMT: +4 hours



LEGOLAND® Water Park

Add tickets to your customer's Dubai holiday

From the wonder of MOTIONGATE™ Dubai offering a glimpse into Hollywood, the glamour of Bollywood's biggest blockbusters, to the building blocks of LEGOLAND® DUBAI and LEGOLAND® Water Park, and the culinary delights of Riverland Dubai; Dubai Parks and Resorts is sure to add a whole new level of excitement to Dubai. Dubai Parks and Resorts tickets are ultimate addition to your customers' Dubai holiday.



Ticket prices

1 day MOTIONGATE™ Dubai: Adult £80pp, Child £68pp

1 day Bollywood Parks™ Dubai: Adult £69pp, Child £59pp

1 day LEGOLAND® DUBAI: Adult £71pp, Child £60pp

1 day multi park: Adult £116pp, Child £104pp

2 day multi park: Adult £177pp, Child £157pp

3 day multi park: Adult £210pp, Child £185pp

Add LEGOLAND® Water Park 1 day pass to your ticket: Adult £58pp, Child £50pp



Shreks Swamp



Bollywood PARKS™ Dubai

Discover the best places to stay in Dubai...

Discover Dubai Gold Medal's top Dubai picks



Perfect
for
families

Atlantis, The Palm ●●●●●

Built around the myth of the Lost City of Atlantis, five-star Atlantis, The Palm is a phenomenal ocean-themed resort boasting unique attractions, chic restaurants and bars, and incomparable leisure amenities. Delight in a culinary journey from some of the world's most extravagant buffets to offerings from celebrity chefs including Gordon Ramsay and Nobu. As well as unwinding on the golden beach and indulging in all the boutiques of Atlantis, your customers can experience adrenaline pumping water rides at Aquaventure Waterpark and explore The Lost Chambers Aquarium.

3 nights half board from **£459pp**

Includes FREE half board, reduced rates & FREE access to Aquaventure Waterpark

Flights with Emirates/Qantas
Valid for departures 04-20 Jun 2017
Based on two adults & two children sharing

Save
up to
£620
per person

JA Ocean View Hotel ●●●●●

JA Ocean View Hotel is a bright and breezy family hotel in pole position; right on The Walk in Dubai Marina, overlooking The Palm Jumeirah and its famous beach. Luxurious guest rooms all with beautiful sea views. The hotel offers an infinity swimming pool complete with oversized loungers, state-of-the-art health club, a variety of restaurants and a kids' club. There is access to the open beach and the Beach Mall, with its extensive choice of restaurants and shops. Access to the private beach at JA Jebel Ali Beach Hotel is also available to guests.

3 nights with breakfast from **£499pp**

Includes reduced rates

Flights with Emirates/Qantas
Valid for departures 04 Jun - 03 Jul 2017

Save
up to
£370
per person



All
inclusive
option
available

Vida Downtown Dubai ●●●●●

Vida Downtown Dubai is a boutique upscale hotel. Designed for the inspired, Vida is an urban hub; a place for the next generation of creative minds to stay, play and connect. Centrally located, the hotel has a fuss-free location perfect for easy exploration and access to some of Dubai's major attractions including the iconic Burj Khalifa and the world's largest retail destination, The Dubai Mall. Intuitive style, convenience, comfort and sensory stimulation are all on the agenda and, of course, seamless service will wrap it all up and hand it to its discerning guests.

3 nights with breakfast from **£499pp**

Includes reduced rates

Flights with Emirates/Qantas
Valid for departures 04 - 23 Jun 2017

Save
up to
£320
per person



Brand
new hotel
- opening
April 2017

FOCUS ON

Viceroy Palm Jumeirah

A place where grace meets glamour, Viceroy Palm Jumeirah Dubai marks Viceroy's first venture into Dubai. Opening in April 2017, this welcoming and upscale resort is located in one of the world's most desirable destinations and offers breathtaking views of the Arabian Gulf. Attention to detail is found throughout the resort with offerings including ten exceptional dining and nightlife venues, three outdoor pools and a beach club, plus younger guests are also well catered for at the 'Kids Only Club'.

Viceroy Palm Jumeirah Dubai in numbers

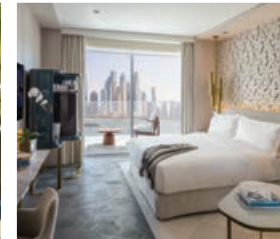
- 477 rooms and suites located across 16 floors
- 10 exceptional dining and nightlife venues
- Sky Lounge located on the 13th floor
- A boutique spa with 1 Hamman and 14 treatment rooms
- 3 separate outdoor swimming pools including a kids' pool
- 200 metres of private pristine beach
- 1 state-of-the-art fitness centre

3 nights half board from **£629pp**

Includes early booking offer & FREE half board

Flights with Emirates/Qantas
Valid for departures 04 Jun - 21 Jun 2017

Save
up to
£520
per person



Flights
from
£285pp



Emirates and Qantas

With state-of-the-art aircraft, award-winning inflight entertainment and generous baggage allowances, Emirates and Qantas set the standard in international travel. Working together, they offer 20 daily flights from six UK airports, making your customer's trip to Dubai and beyond easier.



Itineraries revealed!

USA FAMtastic

Invited by Gold Medal & Travel 2

In partnership with Virgin Atlantic and Delta Air Lines, Gold Medal are taking 40 agents to discover the USA on the second joint Gold Medal and Travel 2 FAM trip. Where will our lucky winners' adventure take them?



GROUP ONE:

Glitzy, glamour & famous attractions
San Francisco - Los Angeles - Orlando!



GROUP TWO:

Beautiful scenery & captivating history
Boston - Cape Cod - Orlando!



GROUP THREE:

Iconic East Coast cities
Philadelphia - New York - Orlando!



GROUP FOUR:

Rock & rollin' in Southern USA
Nashville - Atlanta - Orlando!



ORLANDO for one fantastic finale!

After experiencing one of these four incredible itineraries the agents will meet up in Orlando for a finale full of fun in the sun! They'll experience the thrills of Universal Orlando Resort™ before sharing their experiences at the 'Access All Areas' conference.



Travel in style

Travelling with Virgin Atlantic and Delta Air Lines our winners are ensured to travel in style! On board they'll enjoy the little extras both airlines are famous for, like Relax Packs, complimentary drinks, personal service and the latest and greatest, award-winning entertainment.

Will you be joining us?
Winners will be announced this month – good luck!



Island escapes

Did you know Grenada is one of the world's largest producers of nutmeg?

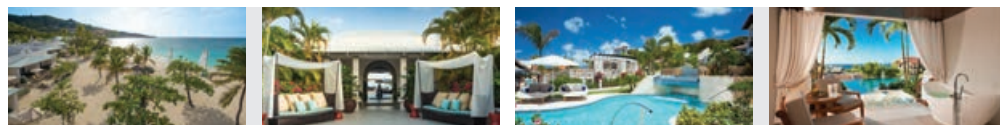
Mountainous Grenada is a ruggedly beautiful Caribbean paradise of secluded beaches, waterfalls and rolling contours covered by lush rainforest scented with cinnamon and nutmeg. Comprising Grenada, Carriacou and Petite Martinique, Grenada itself is the largest island at 21 miles long, with English and French-flavoured capital St George's at its heart.

There's so much to do on this stunning island. Not to be missed is a visit to Belmont Estate to learn about the island's rich cocoa and spice history. Did you know there are more spices in Grenada per square mile than any other place in the world! You can also explore the island's protected rainforest areas, including Grand Etang Forest Reserve, where you will find the Grand Etang Lake natural water filled crater of one of Grenada's extinct volcanoes. And who could miss one of three rum distilleries make sure you stay for the tastings!



Gold Medal suggests

Visiting the island's spectacular waterfalls. The highest is Mt Carmel, a spectacular 70ft cascade of water. At Concord Valley, three falls crash into crystal pools, the top two stages are only accessible on foot through rainforest, while the lowest is a magical place to cool off with a swim.



Spice Island Beach Resort ●●●●●

7 nights all inclusive from **£2,539pp**

Includes one FREE night

Includes transfers and flights with Virgin Atlantic
Valid for departures 30 Sep - 09 Oct 2017

Save up to **£1,190** per person

Sandals LaSource Grenada Resort & Spa ●●●●●

7 nights all inclusive from **£2,059pp**

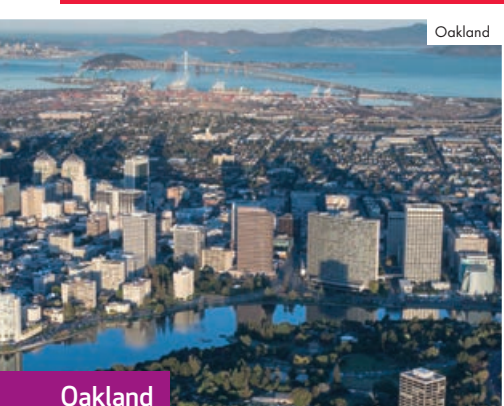
Includes reduced rates

Includes transfers and flights with Virgin Atlantic
Valid for departures 26 Aug - 09 Oct 2017

Save up to **£1,445** per person

Fuel their thirst for adventure California dreamin'

What springs to mind when you imagine California? Sunshine, beaches, the beautiful people of LA, the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco? All of the above are absolutely correct... but delve deeper and there's more to discover. From rugged coastlines and towering forests, to sparkling lakes, stunning vineyards and small towns preserving the past and embracing the future... take to the road and fuel your thirst for adventure in California.



Oakland

Oakland

Oakland has often been called 'San Francisco's Brooklyn' just across the water in the East Bay region, it has the same kind of historic twists, beautiful views and exploding food and wine scene as the New York borough. Diverse, dynamic, arty and edgy, Oakland invites you to add a colourful twist to your California adventure, with art galleries, bars, a great café culture and a diverse array of restaurants in settings ranging from splashy Art Deco (Flora) to sleek hipster chic (Plum).



Napa Valley

Within easy reach from San Francisco, Napa Valley is where America's greatest and most famous wines are produced. Boasting over 400 wineries, the valley is considered the epicentre of American wine, food and fine living. Located along Highway 29 and the scenic Silverado Trail, in an area covering more than 700 sq miles, here you will find a host of small towns and villages featuring an eclectic mix of shops, small art galleries, crafts shops, elegant boutiques and wine stores.

Napa Valley

Indian Wells Golf Resort



Greater Palm Springs

Visitors from around the world are drawn to Palm Springs and the desert cities of the Coachella Valley for its amazing weather, legendary Hollywood connections, Native American heritage and stellar collection of mid-century modern architecture. And that's not even mentioning the fantastic golf, great shopping and world-class events. It's a place where city dwellers escape for rest and relaxation. Be sure to explore the unforgettable Joshua Tree National Park, with amazing views, unique plants and animals, and unsurpassed night skies.

San Diego

San Diego is the perfect combination of beachside attitude and big city excitement. Explore 100 unique neighbourhoods to sample San Diego's signature Cali-Baja cuisine, sip a craft beer at one of the area's 130 breweries or enjoy live music. Get active along 70 miles of Pacific coastline or relax at San Diego's 33 beaches. Make sure you visit Balboa Park, the largest urban cultural park in the USA and home to the world-famous San Diego Zoo, and also the historic Gaslamp Quarter, the hottest nightlife destination on the USA's West Coast.



Windansea, San Diego

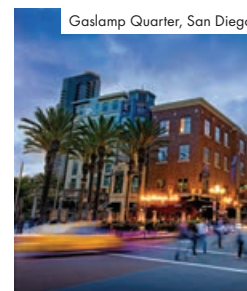


Manta Seaworld California

Seaworld® California

SeaWorld® California lets your customers connect with the wonder of the sea. They won't want to miss Explorer's Reef, SeaWorld's latest attraction, where they'll enter the park under a wave sculpture and encounter a beautiful, underwater-themed realm of animal attractions, buildings and shade structures. Soar, dive and twist like a ray on Manta, SeaWorld's first multi-media double-launch coaster, or connect with the sea through up-close animal encounters with sea lions, dolphins, and polar bears. Plus they can explore and play at the interactive attraction Turtle Reef where they'll experience the world of the sea turtle.

Price from: Adult and Child from £62pp



Gaslamp Quarter, San Diego



Napa Valley

California self-drive

This suggested self-drive through the varying landscapes of beautiful California showcases the very best of the Golden State. From San Francisco where you can hop over to sample the wines of the Napa Valley, down to sunny San Diego, California really is a dream destination with so much to offer.

- Day 11 Los Angeles ● Day 21 Monterey
- Days 3 & 4 | San Francisco ● Days 5 & 6 | Napa Valley
- Day 7 | Yosemite National Park ● Day 8 | Sequoia National Park
- Days 9 & 10 | San Diego ● Day 11 | Los Angeles

10 nights in various hotels with car hire for the full duration from

£1,869pp

Includes reduced rates

Includes transfers and flights with United Airlines / Swiss International
Valid for departures 01 - 25 Sep 2017

Save
up to
£485
per person



Oakland

Palm Springs

The Great Western self-drive

With a vast amount of land to cover and such a diverse array of landscapes, cultures and attractions to see you really do need to get out and about to experience all the USA has to offer. This two week self-drive gives you the chance to explore California and the west coast at your own pace, taking in the sights as you go.

- Day 11 Los Angeles ● Day 21 Palm Springs ● Day 3 | Phoenix / Scottsdale ● Day 4 | Grand Canyon National Park ● Days 5 & 6 | Las Vegas ● Day 7 | Death Valley ● Day 8 | Yosemite National Park
- Days 9 & 10 | Oakland ● Day 11 | Monterey ● Day 12 | Ventura ● Days 13 & 14 | Los Angeles

13 nights in various hotels with car hire for the full duration from

£1,399pp

Includes reduced rates

Flights with United Airlines
Valid for departures 01 - 25 Sep 2017

Save
up to
£500
per person

FOCUS ON One&Only Resorts

Set in some of the most stunning locations around the globe, One&Only Resorts vary from island retreats and enchanting palaces to haute-chic villas where guests are looked after with genuine hospitality and service. Specially selected sublime real estate across the Indian Ocean, Africa, Arabian Gulf, the Pacific, the Caribbean and Australia play host to their own individual and distinctive One&Only Resort. Restaurants and bars have rare character and some boast

Michelin-starred chefs, serving up imaginative cuisines from both the local region and around the world. Serene spas are sanctuaries of well-being, whilst beaches and pools offer both relaxation and activity. Families are welcomed at each resort, whilst ensuring family time and alone time are honoured in perfect harmony. Special facilities include KidsOnly clubs boasting children's pools and exciting activities.

The One&Only choice for a luxury holiday – the hard part is choosing which extraordinary resort to stay at.



Offering impeccable style and a private marina, **One&Only The Palm** resides on the peninsula of Palm Island amongst lush landscaped gardens, fountains and pools. The resort boasts three stylish restaurants serving delicious local and international dishes created by Michelin-starred chef Yannick Alléno and the Guerlain Spa is the ultimate in relaxation.

3 nights half board from **£879pp**
Includes **FREE** half board, reduced rates & **FREE** access to Aquaventure Waterpark

Save up to **£590** per person

Flights with Turkish Airlines
Valid for departures 03 Jun - 25 Jun 2017

A rich tapestry of walkways, gardens and cascading fountains festoon **Arabian Court** which sits at the heart of **One&Only Royal Mirage** resort. Rooms are opulent and each boasts a balcony or terrace enjoying uninterrupted views across Palm Bay. Restaurants further perpetuate the feeling of Arabian elegance here and the pool, private beach and One&Only Spa offer further indulgence.

3 nights half board from **£669pp**
Includes **FREE** half board, reduced rates & **FREE** access to Aquaventure Waterpark

Save up to **£535** per person

Flights with Turkish Airlines
Valid for departures 03 Jun - 25 Jun 2017

Look out for more stunning One&Only properties:

- One&Only Le Saint Géran, Mauritius
- One&Only Ocean Club, Bahamas
- One&Only Palmilla, Mexico
- One&Only Hayman Island, Great Barrier Reef
- Emirates One&Only Wolgan Valley, Blue Mountains
- One&Only Cape Town



One&Only Palmilla, Los Cabo



One&Only Hayman Island



One&Only Ocean Club



One&Only Le Saint Géran



One&Only Cape Town



An award-winning resort, **One&Only Reethi Rah** enjoys an exclusive location in the North Malé Atoll. Elegant villas, some with private swimming pools, discreetly occupy their own secluded piece of shore or have a deck above the crystalline waters. Gourmands will appreciate the fusion of Far East, Middle Eastern, Japanese and fresh seafood dishes. Enjoy a treatment at One&Only Spa whilst the children are entertained at One&Only Kids Club.

7 nights half board from **£3,539pp**
Includes two **FREE** nights, reduced rates & **FREE** transfers

Save up to **£2,890** per person

Includes transfers and flights with Emirates. Valid for departures 01 May - 21 Jun 2017

Gold Medal's 'Access All Areas'



In November we held our second 'Access All Areas' product training day of 2016 at GM HQ in Preston.

As well as our team of travel experts sharing their knowledge and expertise, we also invited along a whole host of world-class suppliers including British Airways, Elegant Hotels, Veranda & Heritage, Centara Hotels & Resorts, Thailand Tourism, Dubai Parks & Resorts, Dubai Tourism, AAT Kings and Emirates.

Throughout the day agents attended sessions with each of the suppliers to catch up on the latest facts, figures and news. In the evening we took our agents and suppliers out for a few well deserved drinks and a bite to eat. The agents attending also took part in a quiz to win seven nights all inclusive in Mauritius, courtesy of Veranda & Heritage Resorts! Congratulations to our winner Clare Collins-Doyle from Travellab - happy holidaying!

We've once again received fantastic feedback, with every single attendee stating they would recommend the session to their colleagues. Thank you to our lovely agents and suppliers who made the day another success!



Join us for our next event
If you would like to be among the next group of agents to get 'Access All Areas' to Gold Medal on 26 April 2017, please let your Key Account Manager know or register your interest by sending an email to AccessAllAreas@goldmedal.co.uk

Caribbean & Mexico

Sun, sea, sand & so much more

It's easy to see why the Caribbean and Mexico are firm favourites for long haul holidays. With an array of fabulous paradise destinations to choose from all boasting blue skies, golden beaches and warm sunshine yet each special and memorable in its own way – the hard part is choosing which destination to go for. Here we uncover four of our favourite hotels handpicked by our experts for their fantastic facilities in beautiful Barbados and captivating Mexico...



Mexico

Secrets The Vine Cancun ●●●●●

Adult only, all inclusive resort

All inclusive, what's included

- All meals and snacks, plus new 24-hour dining
- All premium wines, beers and other top shelf beverages
- 24-hour room service
- Complimentary green fees at nearby Playa Mujeres Golf Club*
- Activities and entertainment

7 nights all inclusive from **£1,479pp**

Includes reduced rates

Includes transfers and flights with British Airways. Valid for departures 26 Aug - 19 Oct 2017. *Transfers, premium tee times and equipment/golf cart rental extra

Save up to **£615** per person



World Traveller

- Ergonomically designed seat comes with lumbar support, headrest and recline
- Complimentary bar service as well as tasty meals
- A USB port and an RCA port allow you to use personal electronic devices with the in-flight entertainment system



World Traveller Plus

- A quieter, smaller and more private cabin with a maximum of six rows
- Complimentary three-course meal with a choice of two mains from the Club World menu



Club World

- Dedicated Departure Lounges and Elemis Travel Spa*
- The Club World seats are bigger, wider and transform to a fully flat bed
- The very best in local and international cuisine is served, along with a dedicated wine cellar

*Available at London Heathrow Terminal 5 and New York JFK Terminal 7



Barbados

Sugar Cane Club ●●●●●

Tranquil adult only spa retreat

Highlights

- Situated on the beautiful west coast of Barbados with a lush pool area
- Two restaurants and two themed buffet dinners a week (all inclusive option available)
- Spa offering a range of treatments, set in beautiful garden, with a private pool
- Book all inclusive and use all the facilities at Almond Beach Resort Barbados

7 nights room only from **£969pp**

Includes reduced rates

Includes transfers and flights with British Airways. Valid for departures 26 Aug - 09 Oct 2017

Save up to **£285** per person



Mexico

Dreams Tulum Resort & Spa ●●●●●

Family friendly, all inclusive resort

All inclusive, what's included

- Limitless access to gourmet à la carte dining options
- Unlimited international and domestic top-shelf spirits and soft drinks
- 24-hour room service, refreshed mini bar and concierge services
- Pool and beach waiter service
- Endless daytime activities and live nightly entertainment
- Theme parties, oceanfront bars and entertainment venues

7 nights all inclusive from **£1,159pp**

Includes reduced rates

Includes transfers and flights with British Airways. Valid for departures 02 Sep - 19 Oct 2017

Save up to **£415** per person



Barbados

Time Out Hotel ●●●●●

Fantastic value choice

Highlights

- Steps away from the golden sand of Dover Beach
- Close by to lively St Lawrence Gap, restaurants and nightclubs
- Swimming pool and sundeck
- Restaurant serving international cuisine and bar with happy hours

7 nights with breakfast from **£689pp**

Includes reduced rates

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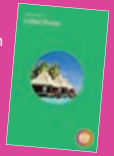
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Seychelles

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New for 2017

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Includes reduced rates
& FREE boat transfers

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£665
per person



DoubleTree by Hilton Seychelles - Allamanda Resort & Spa

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£1,549pp

Includes reduced
rates

Includes transfers and flights with Qatar Airways
Valid for departures 01 May - 21 Jun 2017

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up to
£580
per person

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