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CREATING MAGICAL MOMENTS FOR FAMILIES THIS SUMMER WITH MANDARIN ORIENTAL



- Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group offers a world of discovery for its young Fans this summer, ensuring lasting memories for families
- Each hotel and resort offers spacious family accommodation and one-of-a-kind experiences and activities that explore the destinations and their culture
- Kids can be an adventurous Little Ranger for the day in London; learn Moroccan cookery, arts and crafts in Marrakech; become a chocolatier in Geneva; take Rugby lessons from the professionals in Abu Dhabi; ride horses in the Istanbul countryside, or enjoy nomadic offroad safaris and cycle trails in Bodrum
- Childrens' menus, complimentary kids' meals, babysitting services and welcome amenities are available across Mandarin Oriental Hotels

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Hong Kong, 15 May 2023 – Welcoming families across its international portfolio of hotels, resorts and Exclusive Homes collection, Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group curates magical moments and lasting memories.

Mandarin Oriental offers a world of discovery for its young Fans, including meeting and feeding the horses of the Royal Cavalry Mounted Regiment in London; Rugby Academy with British sporting legends at the recently launched Emirates Palace in Abu Dhabi, and cookery classes, arts and crafts at the Kids' Kasbah in Marrakech.

Across its collection of hotels, Mandarin Oriental offers spacious family accommodations, world-class dining to suit all ages.

Experiences this summer include:

Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park, London

Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park, London invites younger guests on an adventures journey, offering them the chance to become one of three **Little Rangers** during their stay: a Park Ranger, Sloane Ranger or Royal Ranger. Following a treasure hunt map to accompany them on a dedicated trail, the journeys encompass iconic London sites found on the hotel's doorstep. Bespoke Ranger activities can also be arranged including a children's personal shopping experience at Harvey Nichols, the feeding of the horses of the Household Cavalry Mounted Regiment, and a sensory game to play in Hyde Park. A dressing up box and treats are provided in the room, and a complimentary 90-minute photoshoot is arranged to provide a memento of the day's adventure. At the end of the day, the hotel team can help wind the family down by setting up a special in-room movie evening including popcorn and fairy lights.

The Little Ranger Adventures experience is available to those ages 3 – 12 and starts at GBP880. Children under 12 years of age enjoy complimentary meals from the children's menu at breakfast, The Rosebery or in-room dining, and at weekends, family brunch at The Aubrey is a treat not to be missed.

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The Spa at Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park London has also recently launched a new children's treatment menu. Available for those ages five and up, these include crystal singing bowl classes, relax & nourish mini massages, manicures, and pedicures. All the family can also enjoy time together in the spa's 17-metre indoor swimming pool.

Mandarin Oriental Marrakech

Tucked away in the shaded gardens of Mandarin Oriental Marrakech near to the resort's farm and the chef's vegetable garden, the **Kid's Kasbah** is a space that mimics a majestic, fortified citadel. Here, children can discover Moroccan culture through arts and crafts workshops, cookery classes and outdoor activities.

Workshops include Berber carpet weaving, calligraphy and pottery and cookery classes to create authentic Moroccan dishes with the chef. To bring calm to the Kasbah, there are also yoga and stretching sessions designed especially for children, and by night, an open-air cinema for starlit movie-watching.

The many opportunities for memorable family moments include BMX-ing, zip-lining and archery in the foothills of the Atlas Mountains or floating above the rooftops and minarets of Marrakech and the desert in a hot air balloon ride at sunrise (for those ages 4 and up).

Mandarin Oriental Bosphorus, Istanbul

Set along the glimmering shoreline of the Bosphorus, this urban resort captures the magic of East meets West and the legacy of the city's empires, whilst providing the perfect base from which to explore Istanbul's extraordinary history and contemporary vibrancy. The area is also home to several picturesque parks for outdoor adventures and several family attractions.

Discover the city by water with a private boat tour on the Bosphorus which sets sail from the hotel's own dock, complete with delicious provisions for time spend on the water. Teenagers

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can explore the hustle and bustle of the vibrant bazaar with a privately guided family tour, while families can also experience the hypnotic traditional dance of the Whirling Dervishes at the Hodjapasha – a large 15th century hammam transformed into a theatre to showcase the centuries-old performance.

Venturing a little further afield, families can explore the surrounding landscape by horseback, taking in Turkish village life, green pastures, and turquoise waters, with expert guides to accompany all levels.

For indoor activities there are several kid-oriented locations in and around Istanbul, including the Rahmi M. Koc Museum, showcasing the history of transport with a fascinating collection of historical vehicles. The Museum of Illusions is an interactive and immersive experience that provides insight into vision, perception and how the human brain works through a series of intriguing installations. Indoor entertainment centre, Hupalupa, is a destination that encompasses play and adventure areas for all ages, from miniplay and trampolining to rope courses, climbing walls and bumper cars. Istanbul is also home to Europe's largest Dolphinarium where guests can swim, dive and interact with these well-cared-for sea mammals.

Mandarin Oriental, Bodrum

With sweeping panoramic views over the blue Aegean Sea – and the aptly named, Paradise Bay - Mandarin Oriental, Bodrum is a 60-hectare resort set within landscaped hillside gardens surrounded by ancient olive groves and pine trees and offers the ultimate Mediterranean escape on the Turkish Riviera. A Guest Experience Ambassador is an available addition to stays at Mandarin Oriental, Bodrum, on hand to personalize itineraries and individual preferences.

In collaboration with child development specialists GymBoree Play & Music, the Kids Club is available seven days a week for those aged 3 – 12 years old, featuring a fun and educational range of arts and crafts (ceramics, cooking, hat designing, jewellery making and t-shirt dyeing), nature, indoor and outdoor games, and sports activities, including an array of watersports on the resort's stunning private white sand beach.

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Families can venture further afield – either by bike on an off-road safari, to visit a surviving nomadic village, or to find out how the region’s famous olive oil is made. And pause with a picnic and take in the dramatic landscape.

Emirates Palace Mandarin Oriental, Abu Dhabi

Inaugurated into the Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group this year, on a pristine beach amongst lush gardens, this hotel is a showcase of Arabian hospitality at its finest, the perfect place to explore the beauty and charm of the UAE’s capital and is a haven of sophistication and style for all ages.

Emirates Palace Mandarin Oriental provides an array of thrilling activities for kids to enjoy. One of them is AquaFun Park, a water playground located 70 meters from the shore in a calm bay, which is supervised throughout the day to ensure safe and enjoyable fun under the sun. Additionally, the resort has a beekeeping program at its bee farm where children can learn about bees and beekeeping. The resort offers three kids’ camps – winter, spring, and summer – where children aged three to 12 years old can engage in various exciting activities intended to promote connection with others, flow, growth, wellness, and sustainability: including junior beekeeping, turtle rehabilitation, arts and crafts, kids’ movement and yoga sessions.

Mandarin Oriental, Geneva

Listed as a Historical Heritage landmark, Mandarin Oriental, Geneva enjoys a peaceful setting that blends breathtaking mountain backdrops with stunning vistas of the River Rhône and the picturesque Old Town from its newly redesigned rooms.

Children will love stepping back in time, on a visit to the quaint medieval hilltop village of Gruyere, where the famous “holey” cheese has been made for generations since the 15th century. Nearby, no visit to this part of the world is complete without a delicious immersion into chocolate at the renowned Maison Cailler factory – from bean to bar. Families can even try their hand at making their own chocolate to take home.

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At Maison du Gruyère, families are guided through a multi-sensory experience to explore the long tradition of cheese making that has been handed down over many generations of makers since the 15th century, both in the alpine and village diaries.

About Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group

Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group is the award-winning owner and operator of some of the world's most luxurious hotels, resorts and residences. Having grown from its Asian roots into a global brand, the Group now operates 36 hotels and nine residences in 24 countries and territories, with each property reflecting the Group's oriental heritage, local culture and unique design. Mandarin Oriental has a strong pipeline of hotels and residences under development, and is a member of the Jardine Matheson Group.

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