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LIFE TRAVEL

Short breaks for antiques or yoga



IF you were tempted by Jenni Frazer's August travel feature on the beautiful five-star Relais San Maurizio Hotel and the annual truffle festival in nearby Alba, the hotel is offering a special package for the truffle season. During the festival, which takes place each weekend throughout October and the first half of November, the hotel is offering a special rate of 300€ (£255) per night for a double room with breakfast (0039 0141 841900 or visit www.relaissanmaurizio.it).

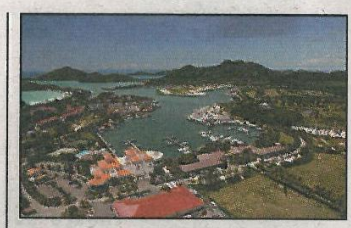
JERUSALEM has been voted one of the Top 10 culture and sightseeing destinations in the world by readers of the travel website *Trip Advisor*. The accolade for the city, which has been ranked seventh, above London, Istanbul and Venice, comes just weeks after New York-based *Travel and Leisure Magazine* ranked Jerusalem as Best City in Africa and the Middle East.

IF you are planning to ski in the Rockies this winter, the luxurious Fairmont Chateau Whistler, site of the 2010 Winter Olympic Games, has some tempting deals for those who book by November 15. A four-night ski package includes accommodation and three daily lift passes for two people, with rates from £147 per room per night. The seven night package (accommodation and five daily lift passes) costs from £141 per room per night. Visitors staying a shorter time can opt for the Ski for Free package throughout the season. This includes accommodation plus a one-day lift pass, with rates from £160 per night on a minimum two night stay (www.fairmont.com; 001 604 938 8000).

THE Lords of the Manor Hotel (*pictured*) in the pretty Cotswold village of Upper Slaughter, has three-night antique breaks this autumn hosted by Nicholas Merchant, a lecturer with the National Association of Decorative and Fine Arts. Breaks cost £725 per person based on two sharing, and include accommodation with breakfast and dinner daily, an afternoon tea, two lunches and tours, lectures, etc (01451 820243; www.lordsofthemanor.com).



ANTIGUA'S all-inclusive Jolly Beach Resort And Spa (*right*) is hosting a Bollywood-themed extravaganza from December 27 to New Year's eve. The programme will include a Bollywood movie night on the beach; a Bollywood Indian dance class; Indian cooking demonstration; Indian jewellery making; cricket matches; and a Bollywood Dance Party. New Year's Eve celebrations will include dinner, dancing and fireworks. Kuoni offers seven nights all-inclusive from £1,386 per person, based on two sharing, including British Airways flights and transfers (www.kuoni.co.uk; 01306 747008; www.jollybeachresort.com).



UNDERWATER photographers — amateur and pro — should head to Eilat next month for the alarmingly named *Epson Red Sea Eilat Shoot Out* competition, from November 9 to 11. Accommodation packages are available at Isrotel's excellent Yam Suf Hotel which has a programme of special events. The deadline for registration is October 10. (www.eilatredsea.com; www.isrotel.co.il).

HEALTHY Options, the wellbeing holiday experts, is offering yoga breaks at Cape Sounion, on the Greek Riviera, throughout October. Four-night breaks at the four-star Aegeon Hotel include daily yoga classes on the beachfront beneath the Temple of Poseidon. As well as daily yoga classes, there are massage workshops, cycling and walking tours and a guided trip to Athens. A four-night stay, from October 15 or 24 costs £599 per person, based on two sharing, and includes British Airways flights, transfers, room-only accommodation and activity programme (0844 499 2909; www.healthy-option.co.uk).