

Oooh and Aaah

We know what you want in a vacation: time for your kids to play and be amazed, time for you to relax and unwind, and time for your whole family to enjoy some of life's delights together. So we've searched for destinations that offer it all—the oooh for your kids and the aaah for you—and found six exceptional escapes (one is on our website). From California to the Caribbean, from Orlando to the Ozarks, fabulous fun, spa sensations and tasty treats await. Now you just have to pack and go! BY SHERI ARBITALJACOBY, LISA ARMSTRONG, SUSAN GERSTENZANG AND BARBARA TURVETT



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MALLIOUHANA HOTEL & SPA AND CARIMAR BEACH CLUB

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If you're yearning for some of the most stunning beaches in the world—powder-soft white sand meeting truly turquoise water—put the Caribbean island of Anguilla at the top of your vacation hot list. Go upscale all the way at Malliouhana, or opt for an apartment at Carimar, just downshore. **Oooh—cool for kids** The complimentary Children's Place at Malliouhana offers 2- to 12-year-olds supervised play and activities amid shallow pools, a 26-foot pirate ship and a 60-foot waterslide. Carimar guests can drop kids off here, too, for \$25 per day. For teens, Malliouhana boasts a host of water sports from windsurfing and small-boat sailing to water-skiing—all at no extra cost.

Aaah—spa treats for moms Malliouhana's vast beachfront spa pampers with more than 65 treatments, including the Oasis Sea Balm Massage and the Javanese Herbal Body Polish (use of facilities complimentary, treatments extra). Guests of Carimar and other hotels can also avail themselves of this serene spa.

Or you can book an in-room or on-beach massage from a private provider. **Family highlights** Beaches, beaches, beaches! Besides sunning and splashing, kids and parents can snorkel, swim with dolphins, find turtles and shells, fish and lots more. New on the island: the outdoor Play-A-Round entertainment center, with its 18-hole miniature golf course, bumper-boat pond, climbing wall and boat bar. **Good eats** Where do we start? At Michel Rostang at Malliouhana (he's a Michelin two-star chef), with its Caribbean-French fusion cuisine. Around Anguilla, find an eclectic mix of eateries, from Tasty's fabulous local flavors to the elegant and historical Koal Keel to the seafood grill lunch on nearby mini island Scilly Cay—run by a character the locals call "Gorgeous"! **What's nearby** Anguilla extras include a new golf course, small museums and art galleries galore, birdwatching at the Salt Ponds—and the sweetest, friendliest people. **Price and contact info** Malliouhana: Rooms from \$305 per night; summer five-night package from \$2,070 for two rooms. 800-835-0796, www.malliouhana.com. Carimar: from \$170 per night; summer seven-night package from \$1,054. 800-235-8667, www.carimar.com. Also www.anguilla-vacation.com.

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