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Inn on Fifth has New Seasonal Packages

Florida's Paradise Coast boasts more than 30 miles of white sand beaches, a thriving arts and culture scene, distinctive dining, family attractions, and outdoor adventure. So if you need a weekend getaway but don't wish to travel too far from home, the Inn on Fifth & Club Level Suites in downtown Naples is offering packaged experiences through October 31.

The new packages include:

- Suite Retreat enjoy a four-night stay for the price of three in a Club Level Suite; sparkling wine and chocolate-covered strawberries; daily breakfast; all-day snacks and sparkling wine; and \$300 in dining credits to use at two of Fifth Avenue's restaurants, Truluck's Seafood Steak and Crab House, and Ocean Prime, both located at the hotel. The four-night package starts at just \$1,437*
- Cruise & Cuisine The two-night Cruise & Cuisine summer package includes a two-night stay in one of the Inn's 119 guest rooms. Amenities include a Pure Florida sunset sightseeing cruise for two; and dinner for two (\$200 dining credit) at Ocean Prime Naples. Prices start at \$608*.

• A Taste of 5th -The package includes a three-night stay in a deluxe hotel room; dinner for two at Truluck's Seafood Steak and Crab House (\$100 dining credit); and dinner for two at Ocean Prime (\$100 dining credit). The Taste of 5th package

starts at just \$652*,

upgraded suite and

added amenities of

or \$1,072* for the

Club Level. Wellness Escape - The threenight Wellness Escape package includes a head-to-toe pampering spa package for two – 90 minutes of therapeutic massage, scalp treatment, foot

exfoliation, and hot stones, all in a private couple's room; daily credits for salads and smoothies for two poolside and unlimited use of the fitness center. The Wellness Escape



package starts at just \$1,121*. For information, call 888-403-8778 or visit www.InnonFifth.com.

* Valid through Oct. 31, 2019.

Cruising Trends

CruiseCompete has mined its data to provide information on the most popular cruise trends among consumers, including most requested cruise ships, lines and travel dates for premium, luxury and river cruising. Data for June 2019 is detailed below:

■ Most Popular Cruise Lines

(Based on the total number of quote requests for each cruise line in the given month)

- 1. Premium/Contemporary: Royal Caribbean International; second place is Norwegian
- 2. Luxury: Oceania Cruises; in second place is Cunard Line
- 3. River: American Cruise Lines; in second place is Viking River Cruises
- Most Popular Cruise Ships (Based on the total number of quote requests for each ship)
- 1. Premium/Contemporary: Symphony of the
- 2. <u>Luxury</u>: Queen Mary 2
- 3. River: Queen of the Mississippi

■ Most Popular Cruise Regions (Based on the total number of quote requests for each region)

- 1. Premium/Contemporary: Caribbean
- 2. Luxury: Europe
- 3. River: Europe

Most Popular Cruise Departure Ports (Based on the total number of quote requests for each departure port)

- 1. Premium/Contemporary: Miami, FL
- 2. Luxury: Miami, FL
- 3. River: Budapest, Hungary

■ Most Popular Cruise Ports Visited (Based on the total number of quote requests for each port visited during cruise itineraries, excluding departure ports)

- 1. Premium/Contemporary: Cozumel, Mexico
- 2. Luxury: St. Petersburg, Russia
- 3. River: Vienna, Austria

■ Most Popular Countries Visited (Based on the total number of quote requests for each country visited during cruise itiner-

- aries, excluding countries of departure) 1. Premium/Contemporary: Bahamas
- 2. Luxury: United States
- Most Popular Cabin Types (Based on the total number of quote requests for each cabin type)
- 1. Premium/Contemporary: Balcony
- 2. Luxury: Balcony
- 3. River: Outside

■ Most Popular Cruise Itinerary Lengths (Based on most requested itinerary lengths)

- 1. Premium/Contemporary: 7 nights
- 2. <u>Luxury</u>: 7 nights
- 3. River: 7 nights

■ Most Popular Sailing Months Requested (Based on the most requested months)

- 1. Premium/Contemporary: June 2019
- 2. Luxury: July 2019
- 3. River: September 2019

SOURCE: CruiseCompete CruiseTrends offers monthly stats for an inside look at consumer trends and what consumers want in cruise vacations.

Special Offers at The Palms Hotel/ Miami Beach

The Palms Hotel & Spa has a three-night getaway to connect with nature. This oceanfront hotel has an inspired-by-nature design, with amenities and activities to match.

With the Palms & Paradise package, travelers get an inside look at the on-site organic chef's garden with a personalized 'Thymes and Tips' tour, led by the resort's executive chef. On the tour guests get a peek at some of the ingredients used in dishes and as cocktail garnishes at Essensia, the hotel's natural gourmet restaurant, like eggplant, mad hatter peppers, scallions, thyme and more.

The package also includes one complimentary Tiki Cocktail per person, \$50 per person credit at the AVEDA spa, choice of private poolside Tiki Cabana or Beach Cabanita, daily breakfast buffet for two, and a grow-your-own garden starter kit to take home. For more information, visit www. thepalmshotel.com.



Headed to Paris? Might Want to Try These Drinks

The Grand Café at FAU-CHON L'Hotel Paris has introduced a menu of cocktails. Why tea? The FAUCHON brand is noted for its iconic fruit-infused teas which date back to the 1960s, when Auguste Fauchon forged a partnership with Air France to enable him to import exotic foods from around the world. One of the most popular items was fruit-infused teas which have since become a hallmark of the brand.

To pay homage to these fruit-infused teas, the culinary team at The Grand Café Fauchon has developed Signature Cocktail elixirs infused with tea — just in time for spring



Cardamom Syrup, and Fauchon Red Fruit Scented Green Tea. At right is **Smoking** Sensation that includes Amaretto, Talisker Whisky, Agave Syrup, Yellow and Green Lemon Juice, Scented Black Tea "Happiness,

and summer when

special drinks:

cold teas are popular.

Here are two of their

Celebration (left) has

Liqueur, Lemon Juice,

Gray Goose Vodka,

Currents, Poppy

Aromatic Bitters,

and Egg White. There are a total of five Signature Tea-Infused Cocktails priced at @\$18. The hotel is located at 11 Place de la Madeleine, 75008 Paris, France.

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Some Art Exhibits Worth Seeing - but Hurry...

New York's Met Museum has "Apollo's Muse: The Moon in the Age of Photography which runs to Sept. 22, 2019

On July 20, 1969, half a billion viewers around the world watched as the Apollo 11 mission beamed back to earth the first television footage of American astronauts on the moon. This groundbreaking moment dramatically influenced the history of images and expanded the bounds of human perception.

To celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 moon landing, The Metropolitan Museum of Art will display visual representations of the moon from the dawn of photography through the present. The show will feature more than

170 photographs together with a selection of related drawings, prints, paintings, films, video art, astronomical instruments, and cameras used by Apollo astronauts.

Apollo's Muse will trace the progress of astronomical photography and attempts to produce ever-sharper images of the moon, particularly during the 130-year period between the invention of photography in 1839 and the moon landing in 1969 as astronomers and artists capitalized on technological improvements to cameras and telescopes to create ever more accurate visual records of the lunar surface. Exhibition highlights will include two newly



Astronaut Edwin E. Aldrin Jr. Walks on the Surface of the Moon, Apollo 11, July 16-24 1969 (detail)

discovered lunar daguerreotypes from the 1840s, believed to be the earliest existing photographs of the moon, and works by such pioneers of lunar photography as Warren De La Rue (1815–1889), Lewis Morris Rutherfurd (1816-1892), and John Adams Whipple (1822–1891). A stunning photographic atlas of the moon, produced at the Paris Observatory between 1894 and 1908 by the astronomers Maurice Loewy (1833-1907) and Pierre Puiseux (1855-1928), will be displayed for the first time in

Alongside these scientific achievements, the show will explore the use of the camera to create fanciful depictions of space travel and life on the moon, including George Méliès's (1861-1938) original drawings for his film A Trip to the Moon (Le Voyage dans la lune,1902), and a large selection of "paper moon" studio portraits from the early 20th century. Also featured will be artists' evocations of the otherworldly effects of moonlight, including major works by German Romantic painter Caspar David Friedrich (1774-1840) and American Pictorialist photogra-

pher Edward Steichen (1879–1973).

Advances in rocket science and the Cold War space race of the 1960s ushered in a new phase of lunar exploration. The exhibition will feature stunning photographs captured by early lunar expeditions sent by the Soviet and American space programs, culminating in the crewed missions of the Apollo program. The final section of the show will focus on art created in the wake of the 1969 Moon landing through the present day, including works by Nancy Graves (1940–1995), Aleksandra Mir (born 1967), Nam June Paik (1932-2006), and Robert Rauschenberg (1925-2008).

New Travel Agency Offers Stress-Free Vacation Planning



Veronica Brandon Miller

After complaining that she never had enough vacation days, Veronica Brandon Miller decided to invest in Love 2 Travel Concierge Travel Agency, where she can spend her energy on going on trips and helping people to have stressfree vacations. The travel agency takes care of all your needs with their 'concierge' touch, so you can just focus on creating memories. www.love2travelconcierge.com.

Frontier Airlines adds New Seasonal Service to Cincinnati and Announces the Return of Philadelphia Service



Frontier Airlines announced they will add nonstop service from Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport to the Sarasota Bradenton International Airport. Service between CVG and SRQ will begin on October 10, 2019, with flights 3 times a week, Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday. Service is seasonal, and frequency and times are subject to change, so please check FlyFrontier.com for the most updated schedule. To celebrate these new routes, Frontier is offering special introductory fares.

In addition to the new route, Frontier also announced that their nonstop service to Philadelphia (PHL) would return on November 14, 2019 with flights 3 times a week on Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday. Frontier currently provides yearround service to Cleveland, OH (CLE) 2 times a week, on Monday and Friday.

Manet and Modern Beauty runs to September 8 at the Art Institute of Chicago

Edouard Manet was known as his generation's preeminent "painter of modern life." In his final years, he continued to push his art in new directions, embracing feminine beauty in ambitious Salon paintings and smaller, more personal works. Watch this video to learn more about the exhibition—the first to focus on this important chapter in

By the late 1870s, when this exhibition begins, Édouard Manet had become recognized as a painter of modern life. He had long looked to historical subjects and style for inspiration but in the 1870s grew more and more immersed in the now—eventually proposing a radical new alignment of modern art with fashionable femininity. While he continued



to pursue highly finished, heroically scaled paintings intended for the Salon throughout these later years (a time also marked by health problems and limited mobility), he simultaneously approached smaller works more fluidly and spontaneously, taking up pastel and watercolor while unapologetically embracing beauty and visual pleasure.

This the first Art Institute exhibition devoted exclusively to Édouard Manet in over 50 years and focuses on the trans-

formation of the artist's style in his later years bringing together an impressive array of portraits of fashionable women—favorite actresses and models, bourgeois women of his acquaintance, and his wife—as well as intimate male friends.

Among these are two striking paintings, one of the young model-actress Jeanne Demarsy and the other of his friend Méry Laurent. Called Jeanne (Spring) and Autumn (Méry Laurent), the pair comprises the only two completed works in a project to portray the seasons through paintings of stylishly attired women.

The Art Institute of Chicago is located at 111 South Michigan Avenue in Chicago.



Set out to the east coast of Florida for a stylish summer escape at the W Fort Lauderdale. The beachfront oasis has everything guests could need to soak in the sun, including an Insta-worthy rooftop pool, buzzing Living Room with nightly entertainment, daily beach bootcamp and yoga classes and more.

For a true VIP experience, you can upgrade to the 'Vacation Like A VIP' package, which includes a \$100 resort credit to be used at any of the property's award-winning restaurants or spa, room up-

grade (based on availability,) complimentary valet parking for one set of wheels on property, complimentary valet parking at The Colonnade Outlets at Sawgrass Mills with a discount book with exclusive offers, free gift provided by the Greater Fort Lauderdale Convention and Visitors Bureau and a Summer 2-For-1 savings card that includes discounted admission to a variety of attractions and restaurants throughout the destination.

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