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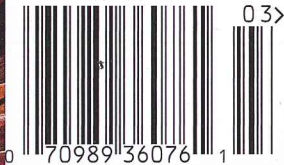
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La Iglesia de los Remedios, outside Mexico City, as seen on Frui's tour of Mexico.

Art & Culture

CHINA Springtime in China from Kensington Tours (kensingtontours.com), a bespoke outfitter with global expertise. **The Deal** Six nights divided between Fairmonts in Beijing and Shanghai. **The Highlight** Explore the M50 art district, Shanghai's action-packed creative hub, with an in-the-know local. **Cost** From \$1,750 (\$292 per night) per person, double; book by April 30. **Savings** 36 percent.

INDIA Flight to Romance from Greaves Tours (greavesindia.com), run by T+L A-List agent and India specialist Carole A. Cambata. **The Deal** Two nights at the Oberoi, New Delhi. **The Highlight** A private

sightseeing tour of Agra and the Taj Mahal. **Cost** \$2,310 (\$1,155 per night) per person, double; book by April 30. **Savings** 30 percent.

MEXICO Photography Holiday from Frui Creative Holidays and Courses (frui.co.uk), a boutique travel company known for its hands-on educational getaways. **The Deal** Ten nights in Mexico City and Oaxaca, staying at intimate haciendas and inns. **The Highlight** Capture some of the country's most scenic spots—such as the Xochimilco floating gardens—with one of the company's expert photography instructors. **Cost** \$2,953 (\$295 per night) per person, double; book by April 15. **Savings** 30 percent.

SPAIN Tale of the Conquistadors from Trujillo Villas España (trujillovillaspana.com), a collection of storied residences in western Spain. **The Deal** Seven nights at the four-bedroom Villa Moritos, once a conquistador's mansion. **The Highlight** A historical tour of Trujillo, a hilltop town that dates back to 600 B.C. **Cost** \$3,114 (\$445 per night), sleeps up to eight people; book by April 30. **Savings** 32 percent.


Food & Wine

FRANCE Gastronomic Getaway from Bordeaux's Le Saint-James Hotel (saintjames-bouliac.com), an 18th-century farmhouse given a contemporary update by Jean Nouvel. **The Deal** Two nights in a Deluxe room.

The Highlight A cooking lesson at Côté Cours, the on-site culinary school, where you'll make French specialties such as foie gras and butter-poached lobster. **Cost** \$1,549 (\$775 per night), double, March 1–April 31. **Savings** 30 percent.

ITALY Spring Moments from Toscana Resort Castelfalfi (castelfalfi.co.uk), a medieval hamlet reborn as an exclusive golf destination southeast of Pisa. **The Deal** Three nights in a standard room. **The Highlights** A tour of the property's vineyards and olive groves followed by a Tuscan dinner at Trattoria Il Rosmarino. **Cost** \$421 (\$140 per night) per person, double, March 17–May 15. **Savings** 31 percent. →

Deals

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NEW YORK Locavore Escape from Inns of Aurora (innsofaurora.com), two Federal-style country houses on the edge of the Finger Lakes. **The Deal** Two nights in a queen room. **The Highlight** Dinner for two at the waterfront Aurora Inn Dining Room, including a bottle of locally produced wine. **Cost** \$490 (\$245 per night), double, March 1–April 30. **Savings** 35 percent.

VANCOUVER Cityscape from Opus Hotel (opushotel.com), with 96 colorful, light-filled rooms in trendy Yaletown. **The Deal** Two nights in a Deluxe room. **The Highlight** Learn to mix the perfect negroni with the bartender at the on-site La Pentola della Quercia. **Cost** \$389 (\$195 per night), double, March 1–April 30. **Savings** 48 percent.

WASHINGTON Dig & Dine from Iron Springs Resort (ironspringsresort.com), a collection of cedar cabins perched above the Washington coast. **The Deal** Three nights in a two-bedroom Group 1 cabin. **The Highlights** A guided clam dig on Copalis Beach, plus ingredients and recipes to prepare them with in your en-suite kitchen. **Cost** \$428 (\$143 per night), March 1–April 30. **Savings** 41 percent.



Poolside at Westin Hilton Head, in South Carolina.

Spa BANGKOK Secret Sukhumvit from Sofitel Bangkok Sukhumvit (sofitel.com), an Art Deco–inspired high-rise with panoramic city views. **The Deal** Three nights in a Prestige suite. **The Highlight** Two skin-revitalizing Immortelle Secret treatments—a Le Spa by L'Occitane specialty. **Cost** \$930 (\$310 per night), double, March 1–May 30. **Savings** 41 percent.

CALIFORNIA Bee's Knees from the family-friendly Omni La Costa Resort & Spa (lacosta.com), near San Diego. **The Deal** Two nights in a Plaza room. **The Highlights** A chef-led tour of the property's beehives, followed by a honey-themed afternoon at the spa. **Cost** \$735 (\$368 per night), double, through April 30. **Savings** 30 percent.

NEW MEXICO Simply Santa Fe from Inn on the Alameda (innonthealameda.com), with 71 pueblo-style rooms just a stone's throw from Canyon Road. **The Deal** Two nights in a Traditional Santa Fe room. **The Highlight** Two 50-minute, in-room massages. **Cost** \$425 (\$213 per night), double, March 1–April 30. **Savings** 30 percent.

SOUTH CAROLINA Carolina Beach Getaway from Westin Hilton Head Island Resort & Spa (westin.com), a Southern classic fresh off a top-to-bottom renovation. **The Deal** Three nights in a Deluxe Oceanview room. **The Highlight** A Heavenly Spa Signature Massage, which blends Swedish techniques with heat therapy. **Cost** \$687 (\$229 per night), double, through April 30. **Savings** 31 percent.

Adventure

BALI Bali Bliss from voluntourism operator Hands Up Holidays (handsupholidays.com). **The Deal** Twelve nights in Bali at five-star hotels. **The Highlights** White-water rafting on the Ayung River, near Ubud, and four days of house-building to help a Balinese family. **Cost** \$4,865 (\$405 per night) per person, double, through May 30. **Savings** 35 percent.

BELIZE Spring in the Jungle from Gaia Riverlodge (gaiaiverlodge.com), 16 mahogany-clad bungalows surrounded by cascading waterfalls. **The Deal** Three nights in a Mountain View cabana, including meals. **The Highlights** A full-day canoeing trip to Barton Creek Cave and ziplining across the rain-forest canopy. **Cost** \$1,306 (\$435 per night), double, March 1–April 30. **Savings** 31 percent.

NICARAGUA Ocean Escape from Yemaya Island Hideaway & Spa (yemayaretreat.com), on up-and-coming Little Corn Island. **The Deal** Seven nights in a beachfront cabana, including meals. **The Highlight** Snorkel among porcupine fish and eagle rays at one of the area's pristine diving sites. **Cost** \$2,092 (\$299 per night), double, through April 30. **Savings** 35 percent.

WYOMING Western Wildlife from Spring Creek Ranch (springcreek ranch.com), a secluded 1,000-acre mountain

retreat in Jackson Hole. **The Deal** Two nights in an Inn room. **The Highlight** A guided half-day safari in Grand Teton National Park, home to elk, bison, and bighorn sheep. **Cost** \$385 (\$193 per night), double, March 1–April 30. **Savings** 50 percent.

Cruise

CANADA/NEW ENGLAND Fall for Old World Charm from Compagnie du Ponant (ponant.com), an upscale company with four mega-yachts. **The Deal** Ten nights in a Superior stateroom on *Le Boréal*, sailing from Quebec to Boston. **The Highlight** A \$200 credit per person for shore excursions, such as whale-watching in Tadoussac. **Cost** \$4,804 (\$480 per night) per person, double, all-inclusive; book by April 30. **Savings** 33 percent.



Super Saver

THE MEDITERRANEAN

Mediterranean Pathways from Oceania Cruises (oceaniacruises.com), whose stylish, midsize ocean liners offer top-notch food and service. **The Deal** Ten nights on the *Riviera*, sailing round-trip from Rome and including airfare. **The Highlight** A \$350 shipboard credit. **Cost** From \$3,999 (\$400 per night) per person, double; book by April 30. **Savings** 60 percent.

NORTHERN EUROPE North Sea Splendor from Regent Seven Seas Cruises (rssc.com), known for its spacious, balconied suites. **The Deal** Ten nights on the *Seven Seas Voyager*, sailing from Stockholm to London and calling at St. Petersburg; Copenhagen; and Bruges, Belgium. **The Highlight** Two-for-one fares, including round-trip flights. **Cost** From \$9,499 (\$950 per night) per person, double, all-inclusive; book by April 30. **Savings** From 57 percent. +