

Top of the morning...

...from everyone at **Take the Family** this August.

When you visit us this month, you'll notice something of an Irish theme. We've teamed up with the good people at Tourism Ireland to bring you great family friendly guides to **Ireland, Dublin, Cork and Belfast**.



Plus you could **win a five night family holiday to the Emerald Isle** thanks to Irish Ferries and Pebble Beach Holiday Homes. All you have to do is send us your best (or worst) tale of family travel. It could be a fantastic hotel or restaurant, a terrible tourist trap, overrated photo opportunity or just a funny photo. **Click here for further details**. And good luck.

But it's not just Ireland

There are new travel guides to top family destinations around the world as well as a whole host of great **UK places to stay with childcare**. We've handpicked 20 top choices where you can get a little time to yourself. OK, they may not be the cheapest options in the world. But when you're kicking back in the jacuzzi and the little ones are being looked after by professional child carers, suddenly the money won't seem quite so important.



Top of the deals

Special offers this month at Take the Family include:

Lastminute are offering **4 nights for the price of 3 and room upgrade offers at Disneyland** (a 2 night 4* break on 3rd September including Eurostar is **£299** per adult and just **£119** for children). Plus **unbeatable value on October half-term holidays in Florida and elsewhere.**

For a limited time only Club Med is offering all inclusive weeks in **Ibiza from £399** per adult and **Kos from £499** per adult. Learn more about late summer options with Club Med, Mark Warner and others by **sharing your requirements with us.** Or check out the **special Club Med offers page** on our site.

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- Remember that you can find great deals on **flights, cars and hotels** (with discounts of up to 70%)
- Book with **Excel Airways** this week and enjoy £20 off ALL September and October 2004 fares
- And you can still save up to **35% off selected breaks to all four fabulous Center Parcs**
- Consider a two or three night **weekend break at one of thousands of cottages**

Top of the slopes

OK, it's still the height of summer but family skiing holidays do sell out early. So now's the time to **check out our top tips on choosing the right ski holiday** for you. And review our guides to **Chamonix, Courchevel, Whistler, St. Johann in Tirol, Kaprun and Saas Fee.** Plus we're partnering with Powder Byrne, Esprit, Mark Warner and Club Med to make sure you get a good deal.



 Esprit, for example, is offering chalet based stays in La Plagne over New Year, with **savings of up to £806 for a family of four!** And if you opt for Powder Byrne all children under the age of two years will travel for free when they stay in their parents' room.

Not only that, but for all except the busy holiday weeks the **creche is free of charge** too (6 days a week, normally £250 per week). Let us help guide you through the maze of available options. Our award-winning travel experts Real Holidays can **help customise your family ski holiday or indeed any special holiday.**



And finally...

Why not consider a **home exchange** for your next holiday. It can be a handy and relatively cheap way to enjoy a superb family holiday. We recommend Homebase as an option worth considering if this type of holiday appeals. Click here to find out more about **what sort of accommodation is right** for your family.



To make whatever kind of trip that little easier the good people at Urchin have put together a selection of the very best travel accessories and clothes. **Click here to buy stuff for your little urchins.**

So wherever you go or plan to go this month or in the future, have a great trip and do keep in touch! And if you'd rather not then we'd really rather not bother you, so feel free to unsubscribe by replying and asking us.

P.S. Win with **Hilton** - If you signed up for our newsletter since mid-June, you've been automatically entered in our lucky draw to win a Hilton family break. Hey but in the meantime, why not book your own - they start at just £109 for two nights, including dinner on the first night. To give yourself even more chance of winning, simply **'tell a friend'** about Take the Family and you'll be entered in the draw twice! But hurry, you've only got till the end of August.

