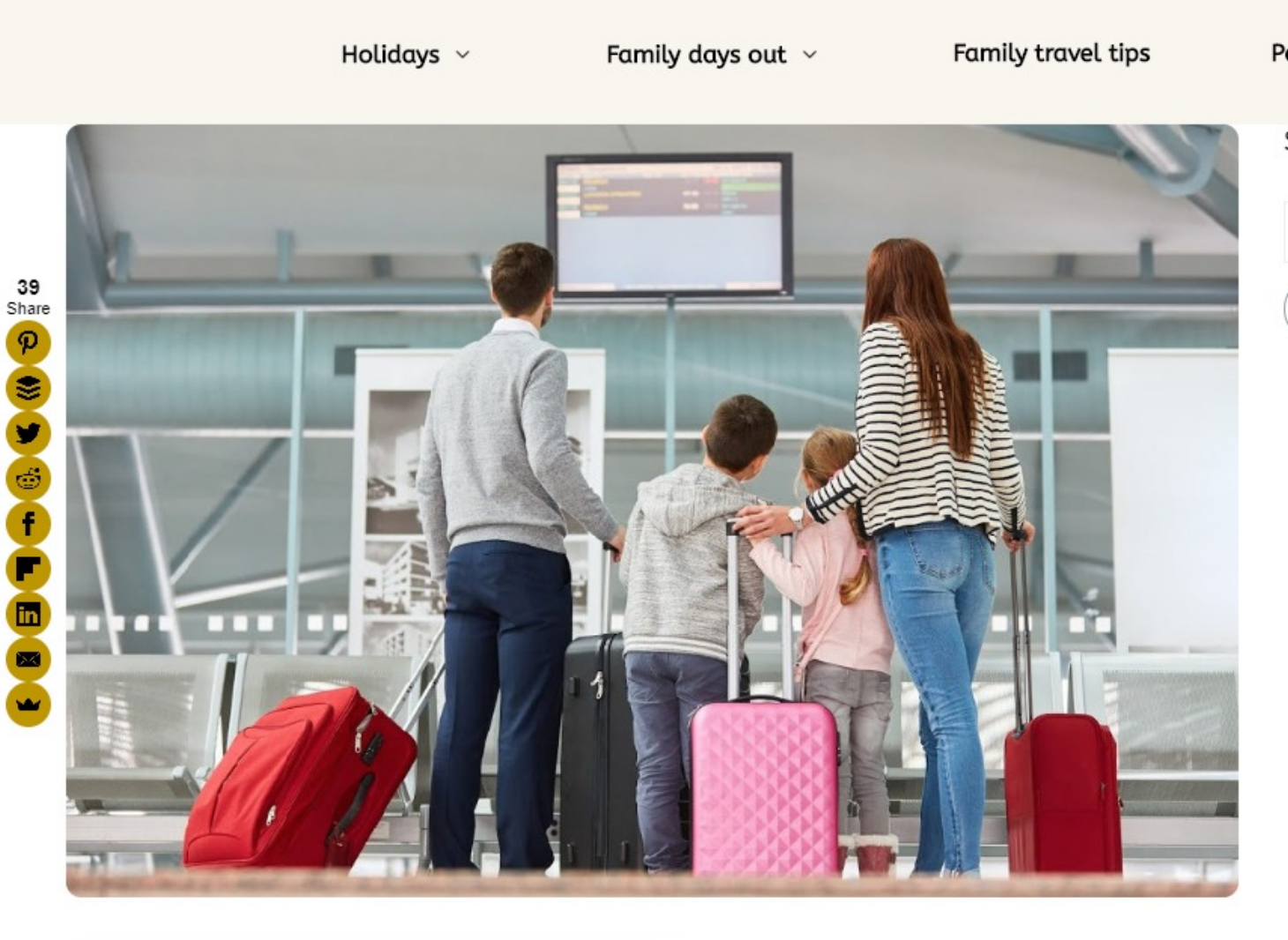

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10 incredible ideas for family holidays – 2020 edition

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If you are full of wanderlust like me, then the blank calendar of a new year beings with it the excitement of a whole host of new travel opportunities. That, and the dilemma of deciding which adventures you can squeeze into the coming twelve months. If you are looking for inspiration for your family holidays in 2020 – from budget getaways to staycations and big adventures – then there's some ideas below that have caught my eye.

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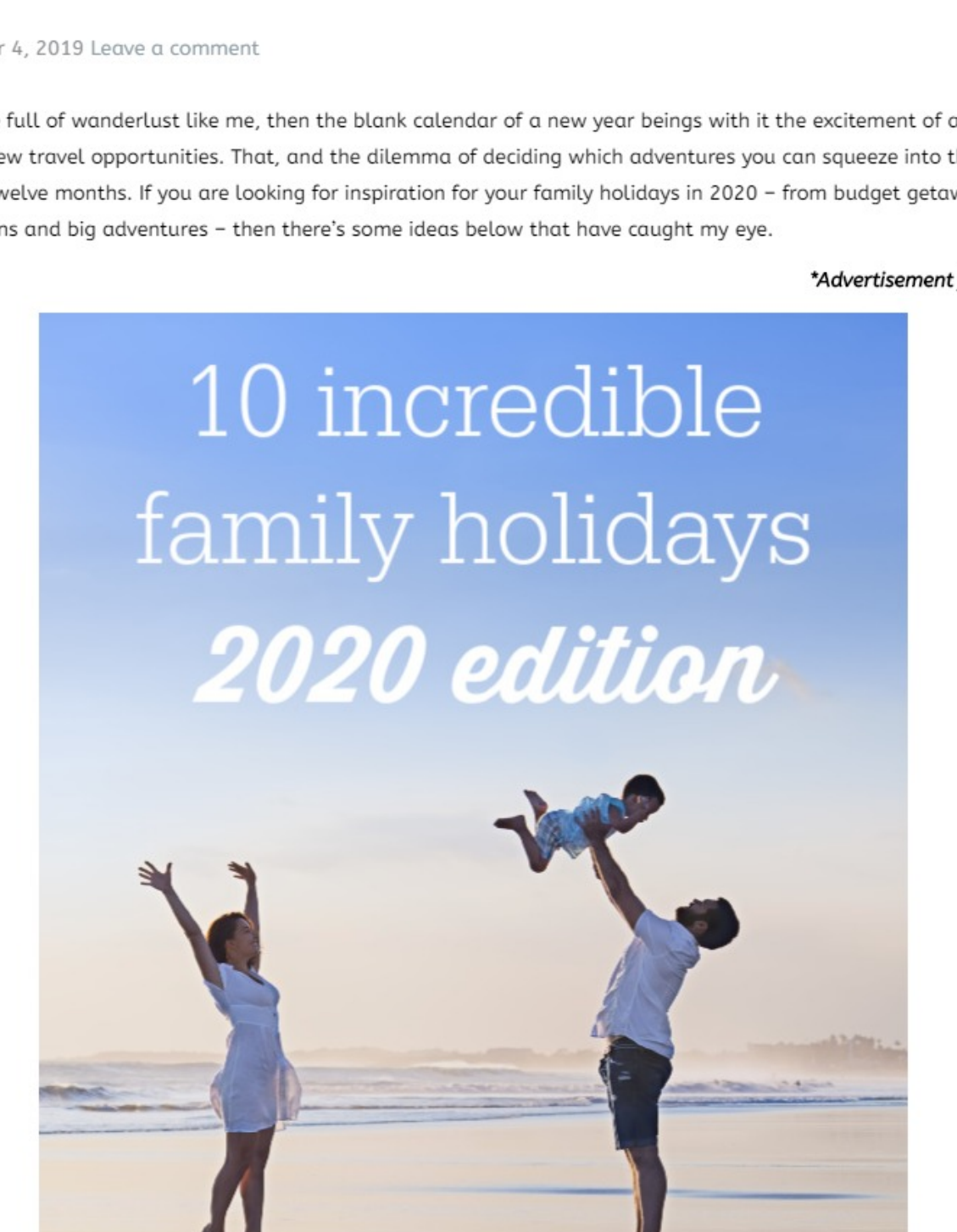

Whatever your holiday style or bucket list destinations, you'll find plenty of inspiration on 101 Holidays including these:

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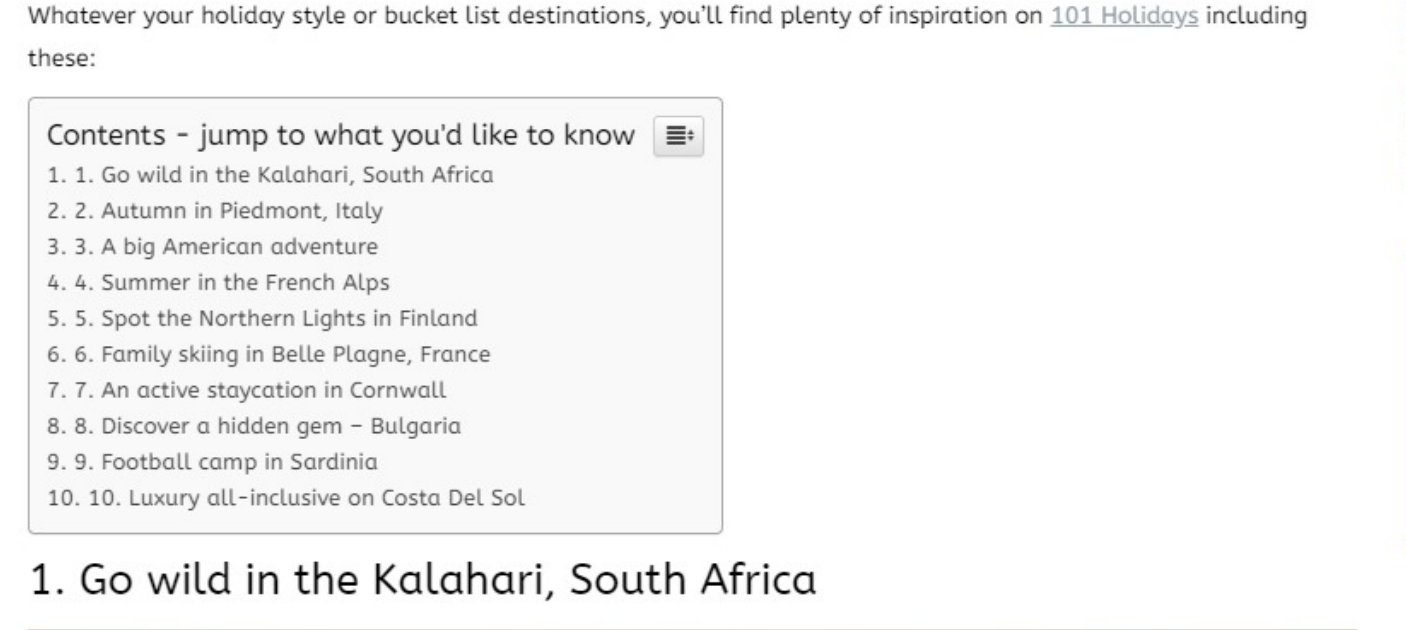
1. Go wild in the Kalahari, South Africa



Take your kids to the living classroom that is the Tswalu. Conservation and research are at the heart of this 100,000 hectare private game reserve where you can go on bush walks to learn about South African wildlife, flora and fauna, and the bushmen who call the Kalahari home.

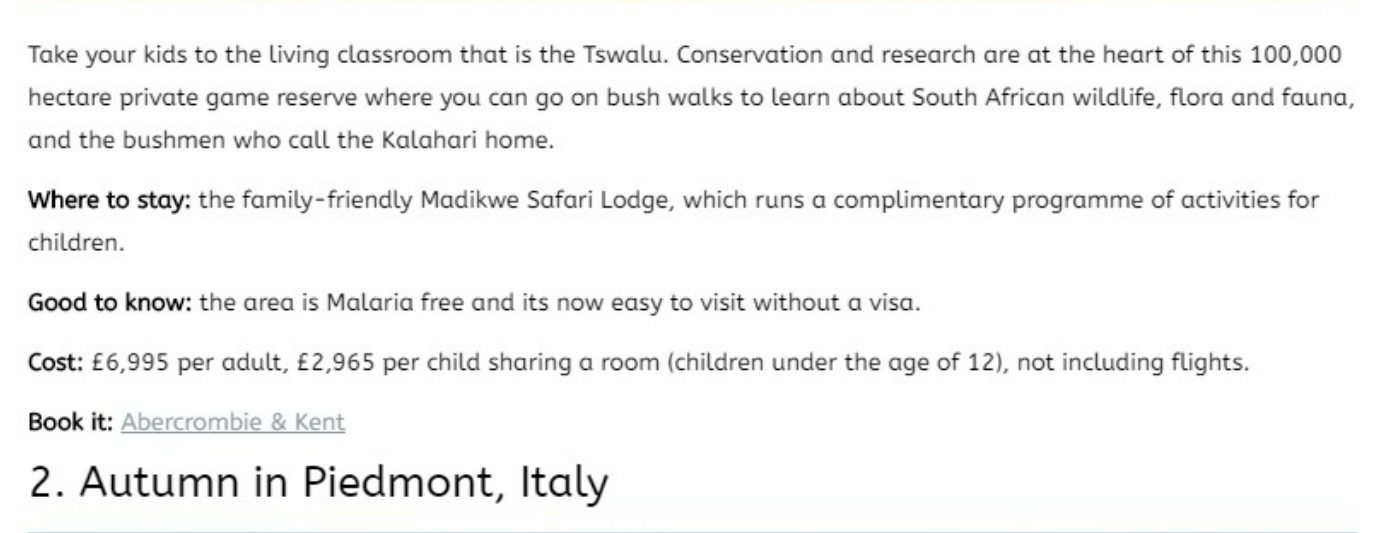
Where to stay: the family-friendly Madikwe Safari Lodge, which runs a complimentary programme of activities for children.

Good to know: the area is Malaria free and its now easy to visit without a visa.

Cost: £6,995 per adult, £2,965 per child sharing a room (children under the age of 12), not including flights.

Book it: Abercrombie & Kent

2. Autumn in Piedmont, Italy



Piedmont is a wonderful region for families who love culture, fine wines and good Italian cuisine. Take my advice: avoid the summer months and book an October half term tour of the area.

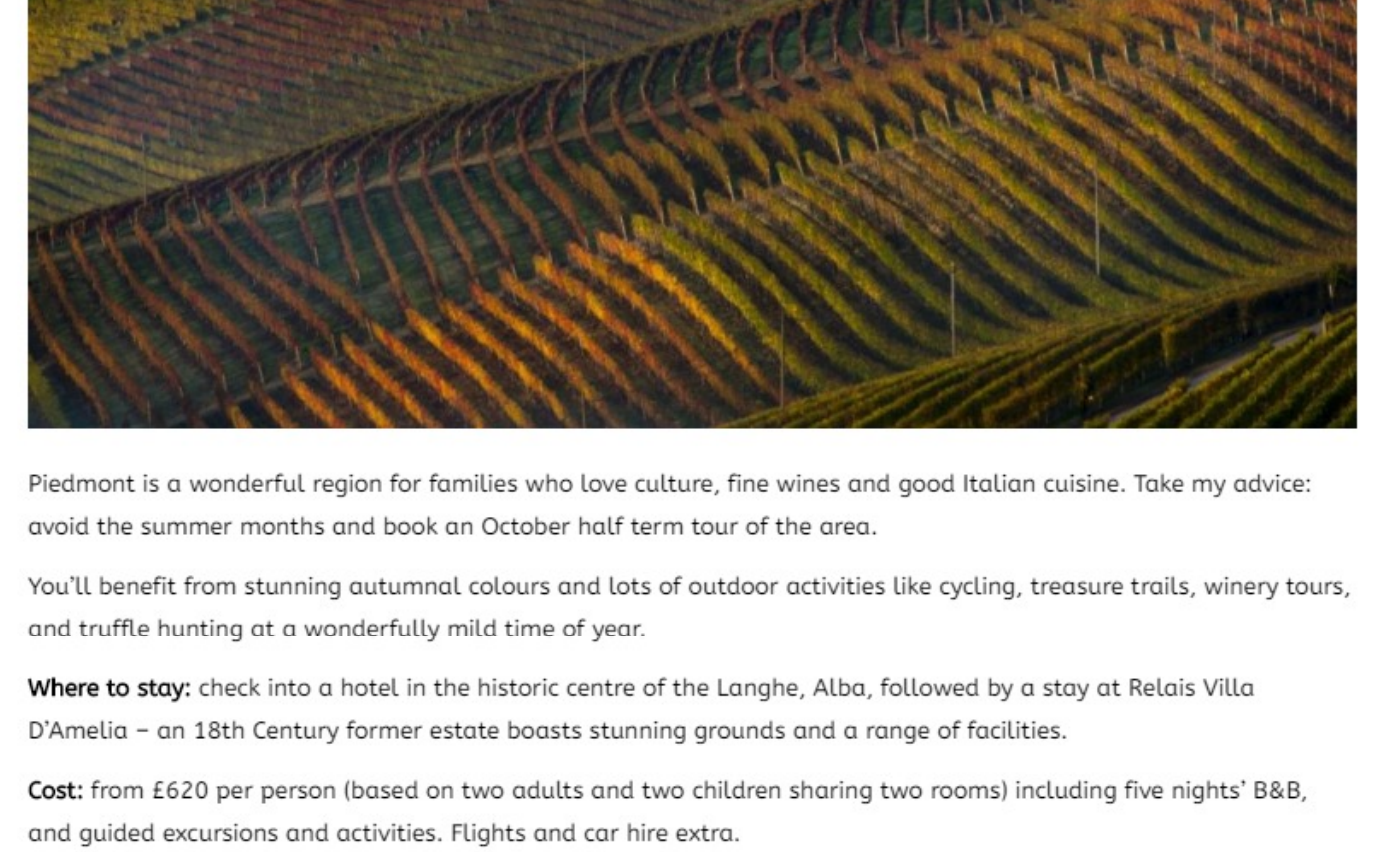
You'll benefit from stunning autumnal colours and lots of outdoor activities like cycling, treasure trails, winery tours, and truffle hunting at a wonderfully mild time of year.

Where to stay: check into a hotel in the historic centre of the Langhe, Alba, followed by a stay at Relais Villa D'Amelia – an 18th Century former estate boasts stunning grounds and a range of facilities.

Cost: from £620 per person (based on two adults and two children sharing two rooms) including five nights' B&B, and guided excursions and activities. Flights and car hire extra.

Book it: Fleewinter

3. A big American adventure



I know plenty of people who lust over the idea of an American adventure as their family holiday in 2020. I'm one of them! However, with nearly 10 million square miles to cover, where should you start?

The only way to cover all the sights on your US bucket list is to speak to an experienced tour operator. They can plan an itinerary that ticks all the boxes for you, whether you want to fly over the Grand Canyon, hit the surf in Hawaii, or be star struck in Beverly Hills.

They'll also find the most family-friendly hotels and resorts for your trip and organise private tours so you can experience all the amazing sights along the way.

The perfect two week US itinerary for families: Las Vegas, Hawaii and Los Angeles

Book it: Scott Dunn

4. Summer in the French Alps

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The Alps aren't just a winter destination – you'll find plenty of family activities to entertain the kids all year round in Tignes 1800.

In the summer you can try stand up paddle boarding, swimming, archery and trampolining with the MyTignes activity card, which is free for those staying in certain places in the resort.

Where to stay: try the new self-catered four-star apartments at le Lodge de Neiges. Facilities include a 1,000m2 leisure area with indoor heated pool, hot tubs, saunas, steam room, fitness room, and spa.

Cost: from £161pp for seven nights self-catered in a two-bedroom apartment (based on four sharing a two bedroom apartment (sleeps up to six), including standard mid-week return ferry crossing.

Book it: Peak Retreats

5. Spot the Northern Lights in Finland

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Avoid the winter blues and go in search of the Northern Lights to brighten up the darker months. Alongside spotting the Aurora Borealis, you and the kids can take part in activities like husky sledding, reindeer sleigh rides, snowmobiling and ice fishing, making this a holiday packed full of incredible experiences.

Where to stay: an Aurora Cabin at the new Northern Lights Village, Levi. These cabins feature a half-glass, laser heated roof to give you clear views up to the sky making it possible to see the Northern Lights from the comfort of your bed.

Cost: from £3,520 (based on a family of four), including flights (from London), transfers, three nights half board accommodation and cold weather clothing for duration of stay. Departures between 1 December 2019 and 11 April 2020.

Book it: Activities Abroad

6. Family skiing in Belle Plagne, France

For a truly family-friendly ski trip visit the resort of Belle Plagne in France. Here you'll find resorts that cater for guests of all ages within a few hundred meters of the slopes. There's also a children's ski garden where your kids can find their snow feet and have fun away from the busier runs.

Where to stay: book Esprit's Hotel des Deux Domaines where you can benefit from Esprit's signature childcare services, interconnecting rooms, indoor pool and wellness area, and spectacular views across the valley. The hotel is both very close to the slopes and just 350m from the village centre

Cost: from £3,636 per family (based on two adults and two children sharing interconnecting rooms). The price includes return flights from London Gatwick to Chambery, airport transfers and seven nights' accommodation on full board.

Book it: Esprit Ski

7. An active staycation in Cornwall

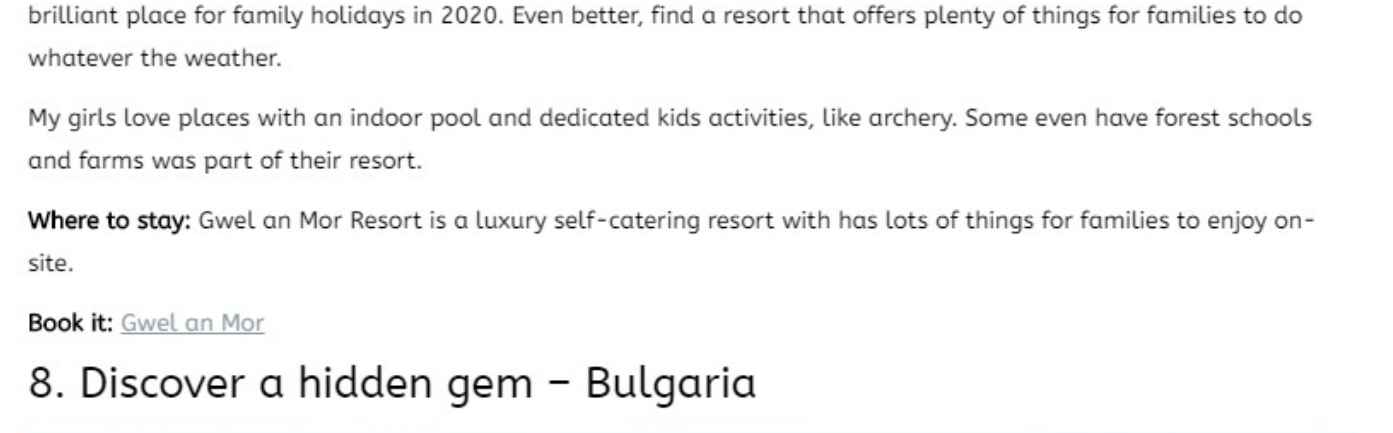
If you fancy a staycation in an incredible location, with sea, surf and eye-watering scenery, then Cornwall is a brilliant place for family holidays in 2020. Even better, find a resort that offers plenty of things for families to do whatever the weather.

My girls love places with an indoor pool and dedicated kids activities, like archery. Some even have forest schools and farms was part of their resort.

Where to stay: Gwel an Mor Resort is a luxury self-catering resort with has lots of things for families to enjoy on-site.

Book it: Gwel an Mor

8. Discover a hidden gem – Bulgaria



If you are looking for a destination where commercial tourism is yet to take off then add Bulgaria to your 2020 holiday bucket list. You can even pick up an all-inclusive family holiday for less than £2,000.

Bulgaria has sandy beaches on the Black Sea and world-class mountain ranges for skiing. And, of course, there's plenty of history, culture and delicious local dishes to be discovered too.

Where to stay: the four-star Hotel Melia Sunny Beach is an all inclusive hotel that has won the TripAdvisor Travellers Choice Award. It is newly refurbished, has nine restaurants, a beach bar, pool complex with three kids pools and a new adults slide, a spa, mini-golf, climbing wall, mini-market and games area.

Cost: from £1,625 for an all-inclusive holiday for a family of four (two adults and two children).

Book it: Balkan Holidays

9. Football camp in Sardinia

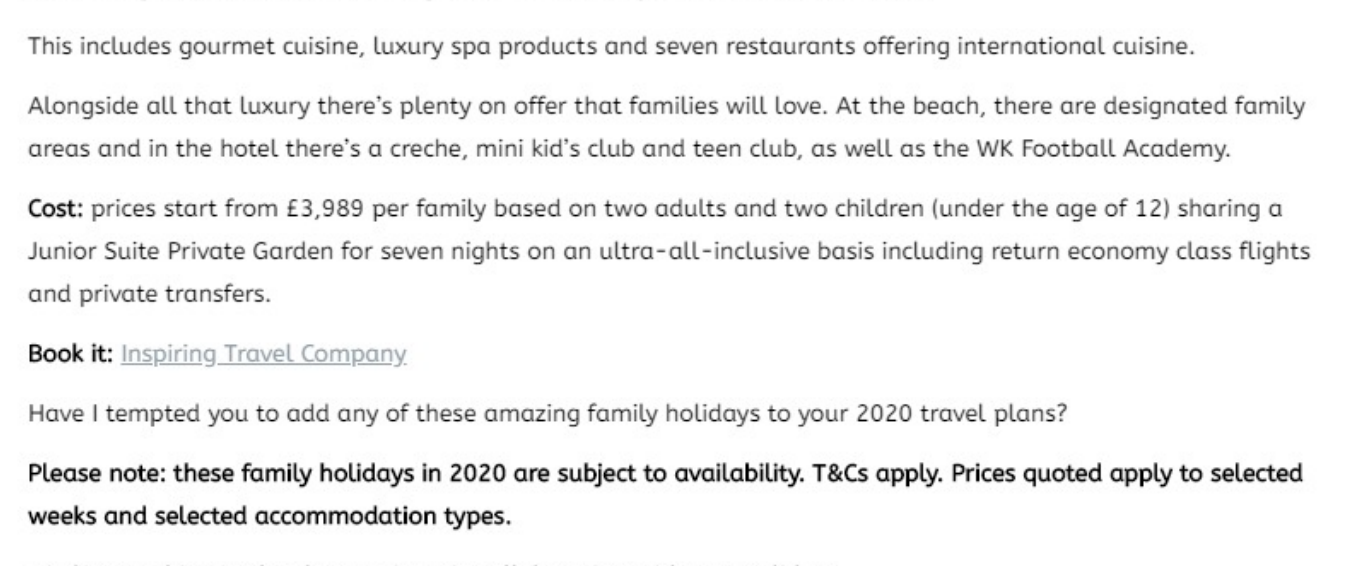
If your kids are football mad then where better to take them on holiday than a football camp? But not just any football camp – one at a five-star resort set in beautiful Sardinia with plenty of luxury for parents to enjoy too.

Where to stay: the five star Resort Capo Boi in Sardinia. This luxury family resort has a private white sand beach, spacious family accommodation and, in 2020, there is a new Football Camp. This will provide football training for children aged six to 14-years-old at no extra cost (subject to availability).

Cost: from £3,898 for seven night packages for a family of four, including half board in a family garden site with return flight from London Gatwick on British Airways and return shared transfers.

Book it: Sardatur

10. Luxury all-inclusive on Costa Del Sol



If pure relaxation is more your thing, then there's a brand new beachfront resort opening on the Costa Del Sol in the summer of 2020.

Where to stay: IKOS Andalucia has 17 acres of superbly manicured gardens, close to the glamour of Marbella, and will offer guests the award-winning Ikos Infinite Lifestyle all-inclusive concept.

This includes gourmet cuisine, luxury spa products and seven restaurants offering international cuisine.

Alongside all that luxury there's plenty on offer that families will love. At the beach, there are designated family areas and in the hotel there's a creche, mini kid's club and teen club, as well as the WK Football Academy.

Cost: prices start from £3,989 per family based on two adults and two children (under the age of 12) sharing a Junior Suite Private Garden for seven nights on an ultra-all-inclusive basis including return economy class flights and private transfers.

Book it: Inspiring Travel Company

Have I tempted you to add any of these amazing family holidays to your 2020 travel plans?

Please note: these family holidays in 2020 are subject to availability. T&Cs apply. Prices quoted apply to selected weeks and selected accommodation types.

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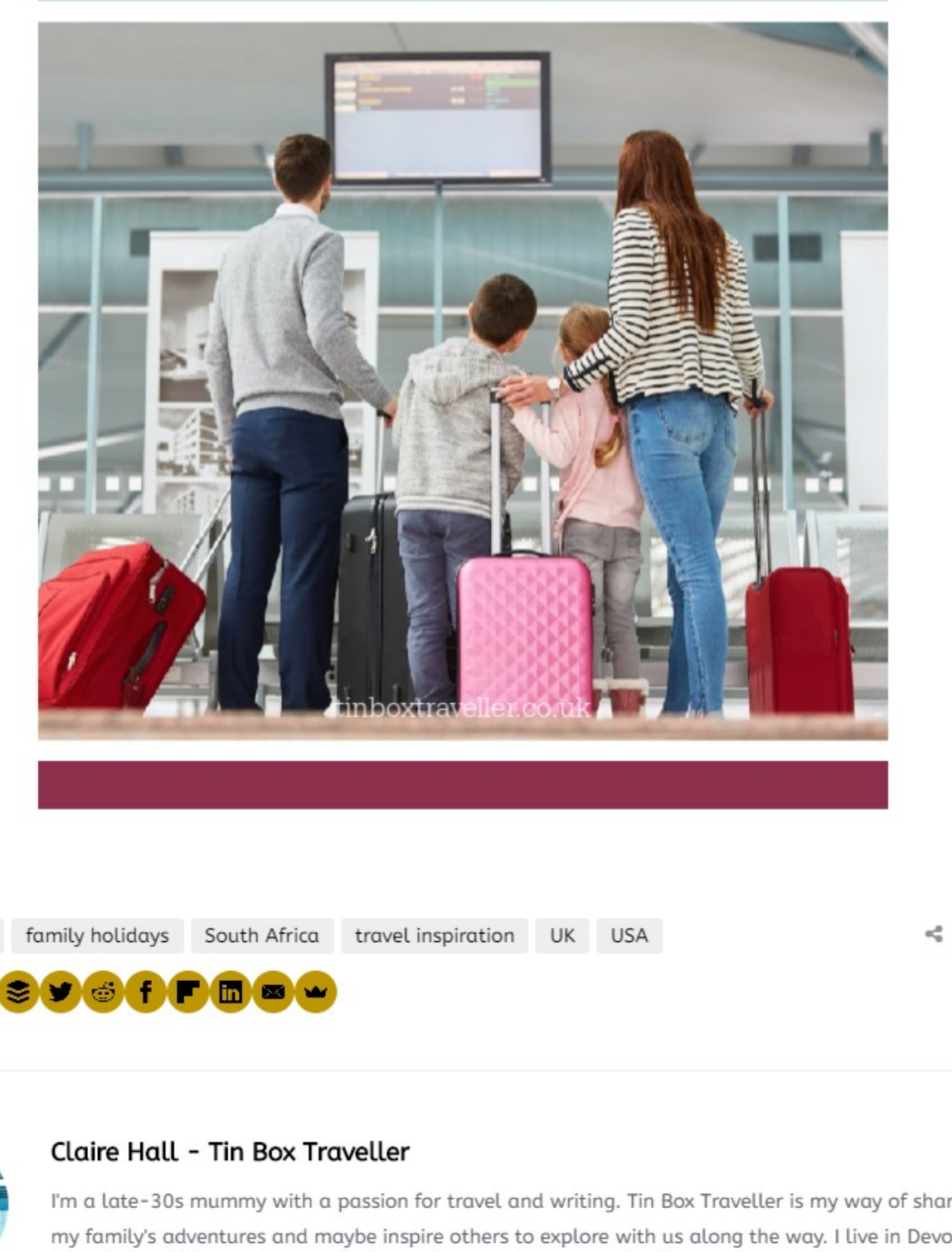
Looking for inspiration for family holidays in 2020? Why not save this post for later.



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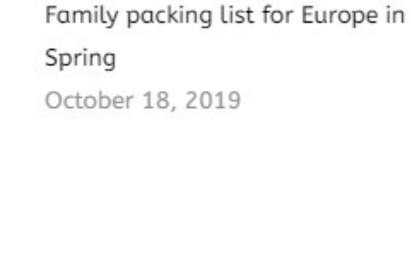

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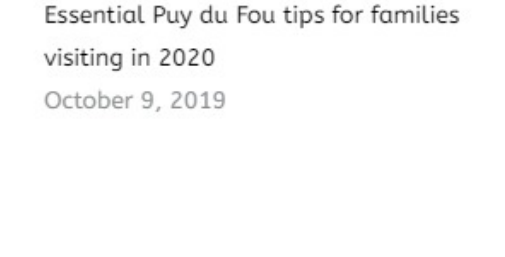

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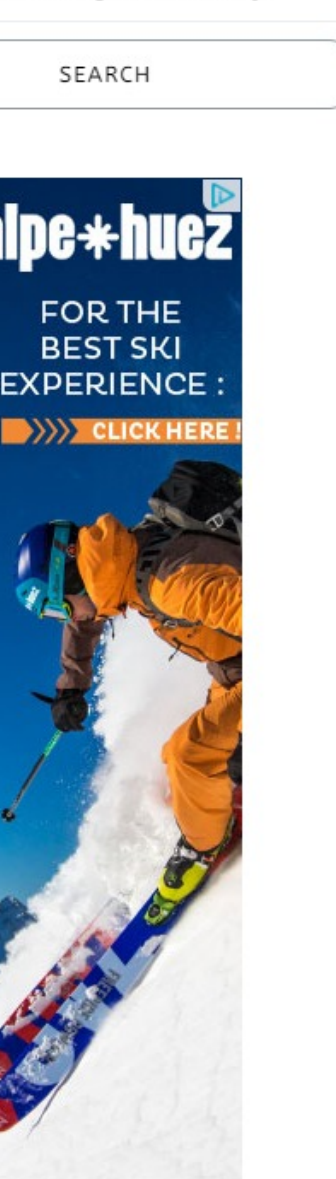

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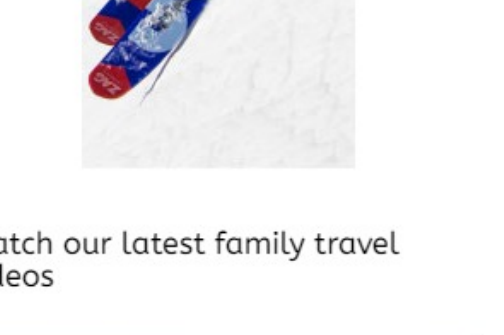

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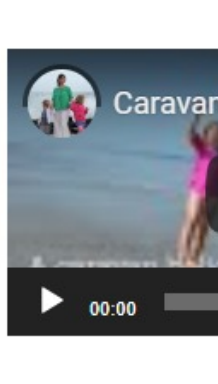

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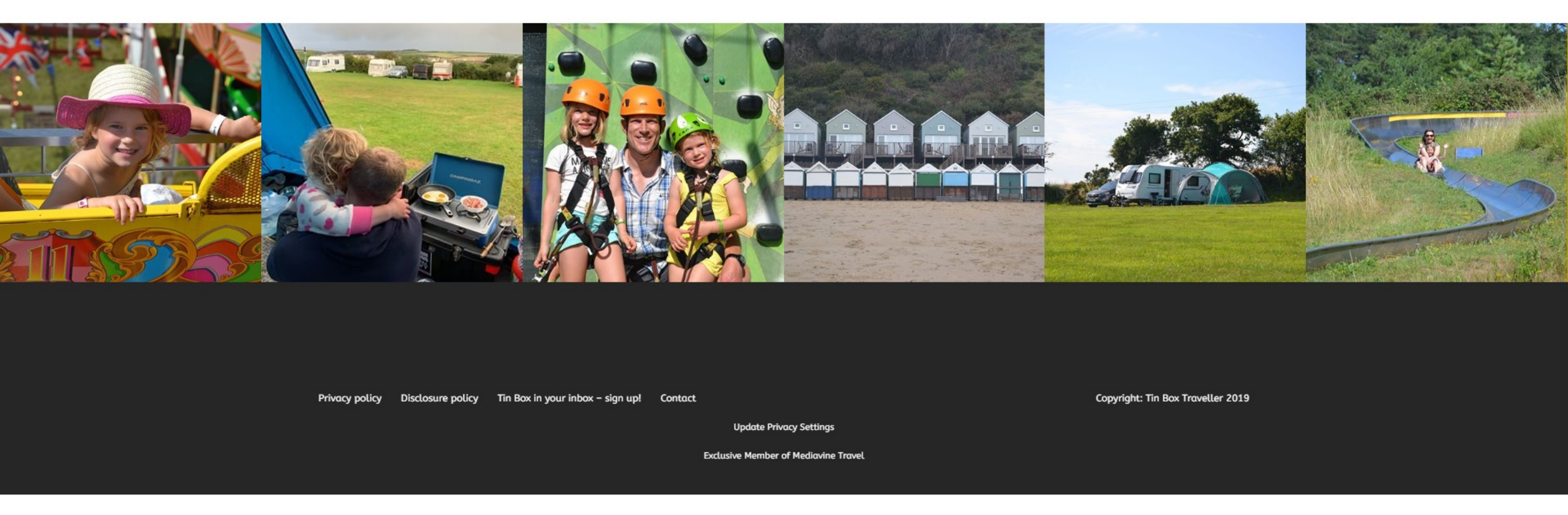

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