

# Holidays with a difference

## **Rest, relax, refresh, renew**

Need to take a break from the traditional types of holiday? Want to do something different for a change? With our fantastic range of HOLIDAYS WITH A DIFFERENCE, you can choose something other than a one-or-two-week sand, sun and sea holiday. Explore our extensive selection of holidays. After all, they are **precious** times to rest, relax, refresh, and create new memories.

## **Pencil and Paintbrush**

Art courses for all levels of experience, from beginner to advanced. Choose from courses in acrylics, oil, watercolour, pastels or charcoal. Staying on the **stunning** French island of Corsica, off the coast of Italy, we explore beaches, mountains and valleys, taking time to breathe in the beautiful landscapes and to be inspired to explore our artistic journey. These breaks draw people from all over the world, with recent visitors from countries like Brazil, Australia and Europe enjoying the small towns and villages that Corsica has to offer. They are the perfect place to relax over dinner and a glass of locally produced wine or Corsica Cola!

Travel, accommodation and all meals provided. We supply all art materials – but feel free to bring along your favourite tools, if you wish.

## **A Change of Pace**

Try one of our cycling holidays for a welcome change of pace. You can go so much further and see so much more from a saddle... We sort out your itinerary, organize your accommodation, transport your luggage, provide all food and drink, and we even supply your bike, helmet and all the cycling paraphernalia you need. You can choose from locations all over Central and South America – but if you fancy a trip closer to home, we also offer cycling holidays across the UK and Europe, too. You can choose the level of difficulty you like – from gentler trips along flat, quiet roads to **hardcore** challenges along mountain and off-track trails.

All you need to do is to organize your flights – and we'll even give you guidance with that, too.

## **On the Farm**

Try a holiday with a difference on a real working farm! Get up early to help the farmer milk the cows, feed the chickens, collect eggs from the hen-house and bacon from the larder... all ready for breakfast! While on our farm holidays, you will see **lovely** British countryside, tucked away in the middle of nowhere. Perfect places for switching off from hectic day-to-day life. With plenty of walks to enjoy, fishing, kayaking, canoeing or rowing on the river, a little horse-riding... you can slow down, take in the views and replenish your energies.

Accommodation and all meals provided. We also offer weekend and mid-week breaks at certain times of the year, depending on availability. Please ask.

## **Salsa Colombia!**

What better place to learn salsa than in the 'world capital of salsa' – Cali, in Colombia! Salsa is in the soul of Cali's two million people, and the dance floors of the city never sleep – they are packed until the early hours... and beyond! Immerse yourself in the salsa beat, and learn the moves with our two-week *Salsa Colombia!* package. We've picked the best of the city's 200 salsa schools, and this studio is where you will be taught by seasoned teachers, accustomed to teaching novices as well as more experienced dancers.

Accommodation is provided in the romantic old town quarter of San Antonio, away from the hustle and bustle of the city. Brunch and dinner are included. Arrange your own flights, and we'll pick you up and drop you off at the airport. No hassle, no worries ... simply *Salsa Colombia!*



**1. Read the website quickly. Are the sentences true or false?**

- 1 This company provides a wide range of holidays. TRUE/FALSE
- 2 'Holidays with a difference' are sand, sun, and sea breaks of one or two weeks. TRUE/FALSE
- 3 All holidays provided by this company are in the UK. TRUE/FALSE

**2. Read the website again. Choose the correct options to complete the summary.**

'Holidays with a difference' are aimed at people who <sup>1</sup> *want to get a suntan / want to do something different / want to relax by the sea*. This company provides a range of different breaks, involving a variety of activities. For the 'Pencil and Paintbrush' holidays, it is <sup>2</sup> *useful / unnecessary / essential* to have artistic experience in advance. These breaks take place in <sup>3</sup> *Brazil / Italy / France*, and they allow people to paint, draw and relax. Customers <sup>4</sup> *must / cannot / may* bring their own art materials. This company also provides cycling holidays of different levels of difficulty. For these, customers need to <sup>5</sup> *bring their own equipment / book their own flights / get a visa for Central or South America*, but everything else is provided. Another holiday option allows customers to take a relaxed rural break from fast-paced urban lives. These breaks are called <sup>6</sup> *A Change of Pace / On the Farm / Salsa Colombia!* and they involve a variety of peaceful activities in the countryside. With this option, customers <sup>7</sup> *can / must / might be able to* stay for only a few days during the week. The final break described on the page is for people who love to <sup>8</sup> *eat / dance / sleep*. It takes place in Cali, Colombia, where there are 200 salsa schools, <sup>9</sup> *all of which / some of which / one of which* customers will attend during their stay. Dancers of any skill level are welcome and they will be taught by <sup>10</sup> *experienced / famous / novice* teachers.

**3. Find the words in bold in the text and choose the best definitions for them.**

- 1 **precious**  
A very valuable  
B very expensive
- 2 **stunning**  
A shocking  
B very attractive
- 3 **hardcore**  
A gentle  
B extreme
- 4 **lovely**  
A friendly  
B beautiful
- 5 **package**  
A a set of things bought together  
B a box containing a gift