



Happy days for all the family

CHILD FRIENDLY

WITH Easter and the April school holidays approaching, Australia's popular Holidays With Kids magazine has teamed with a number of leading award-winning properties to offer hot family deals.

Among the packages are:

□ Sea World Resort, Gold Coast, from \$159 per adult, per night, twin share, including entry to Sea World, children 4-12 years staying and eating free (includes one plush toy per booking);

□ Hyatt Regency Coolum, Sunshine Coast, from \$445 per room per night for a two-bedroom villa, family of four, including breakfast and group golf and tennis classes.

□ Happy Hallidays Holiday Park on the beach near Forster on the NSW mid north coast, from \$700 for five nights for a family of up to five in a two-bedroom villa, including children's activities. Linen supplied.

Details: www.holidayswithkids.com.au

Nestle in at Noosa

IF you are in need of a family getaway on the Sunshine Coast, Noosa Tropicana has a five-night deal in a spacious two-bedroom, self-contained apartment with balcony from \$210 per night.

The offer applies to stays until April 30, excluding Easter, subject to availability.

The retreat features a heated lagoon style swimming pool and spa that's surrounded by gardens, along with an undercover barbecue area.

Details: (07) 5449 0222,
www.noosatropicana.com.au

Club Med choices

CLUB Med's family resorts in Asia want to look after the kids — free.

The retreats are inviting children — aged four to 11 years who travel with their parents — to stay, eat and play at no charge, paying only for flight and transfers.

You can choose from seven resorts, including Indonesia's Bintan Island near Singapore, Bali's Nusa Dua and Cherating Beach in Malaysia.

Club Meds at Thailand's Phuket and Mauritius, which have been recently refurbished for families, are also included in the program.

Prices include flights, accommodation, three buffet meals daily, open bar and snacking service, Kids Clubs, nightly entertainment and transfers and taxes.

A seven-night holiday to Club Med Nusa Dua starts at \$2547 per adult, \$969 per child. At Malaysia-Cherating Beach, the prices are \$2876 and \$1100 respectively, at Thailand's Phuket \$2504 and \$880 respectively.

The deal is on sale until April 30 for travel until October 31.

Details: 1800 258263, www.clubmed.com.au

Crawly creatures

AFTER the success of the Christmas holidays, the Crawly Creatures exhibit at the Sunshine Coast's UnderWater World will be crawler than ever at Easter.

Visitors to the park at Mooloolaba will see the world's largest crab, the Japanese giant spider crab, along with a number of

other creepy crawly creatures.

Visitors can also get interactive with the giant burrowing cockroach, the rhino beetle and the hermit crabs.

UnderWater World is open daily from 9am to 5pm, entry to the New Crawly Creatures exhibit free with admission (adults \$26.50, children (3-15yrs) \$16, concession \$19, family of four \$73).

Details: www.underwaterworld.com.au

Disney's sea range

IMAGINE coming face to face with massive whales and colourful fish, and weaving through ancient underwater ruins — without getting wet.

The latest attraction to come to Disneyland will take you to new depths in an amazing yellow submarine on a quest to find Nemo.

Disney's Finding Nemo Submarine Voyage takes you deep underwater to meet Bruce the Shark, Gill, Peach and Crush along with other memorable characters from the animated film.

The voyage is the latest attraction at Disneyland Park in Los Angeles, and is just one of the exciting adventures for kids both big and small.

Harvey World Travel has packages from \$2089 per person from Sydney that include Air New Zealand air fares, four nights' accommodation near the park and a two-day Disneyland Hopper Resort Park Ticket. Pre-payable taxes are also included.

Details: 132 757, www.harveyworld.com.au

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Water features: Some of the fun activities at Sea World Resort