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MAKING *Waves*

FROM DIVING IN THE CARIBBEAN TO RESTORING ANCIENT ARTIFACTS IN NEPAL, SET SAIL FOR A VACATION OF A LIFETIME

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BELIZE AND COZUMEL: A DIVER'S PLAYGROUND





APP EXCLUSIVE

As if an iPhone could get any better, right? Well, in January, it did just that. **Voyage Prive**, the largest private travel sale site with more than 6 million members, introduced the Voyage Prive iPhone app. Unique and convenient features are right at your fingertips, including the Select and Save option allowing you to bookmark your favorite deals before buying. Real-time sale notifications also insure you never miss limited-time offers that often go as quickly as they come. To download, visit apple.com/itunes and search for Voyage Prive. Download and away you go!



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THE FANTASTIC UNITE

Looking for a fun and easy way to create and share travel experiences? Look no further, because Austin-based **HomeAway Inc.** and social traveling site **GoGoBot.com** have come together to offer more than 230,000 vacation rental listings all across the world.

Complete with user reviews, GoGoBot.com offers travel recommendations from friends and family by tapping into the power of social networking. And with HomeAway Inc. being the worldwide leader in online vacation rentals in 120 countries, you'll be able to find the perfect place to get away.



HIDDEN OASIS

An elegant, bungalow-style boutique resort only accessible by boat or helicopter is one of the many things that make **Biras Creek Resort** so intriguing. Tucked in a private lagoon on the Island of Virgin Gorda in the British Virgin Isles, Biras Creek is a true hidden oasis. With white sand beaches and turquoise waters as far as the eye can see, this island getaway is a true oasis for swimming, sailing, snorkeling and simply just frolicking in the water.

Biras Creek is offering a number of specialty packages this summer. Our favorite is the British Virgin Islands Sailaway, a seven-night package that includes two nights spent aboard the Crystal Clear, a sailing yacht that comes with all meals and drink provided on board. Or book the Getaway for Two, a five-night stay during which you can lounge in the sun on a private white sand beach or enjoy a number of island activities, including hiking, snorkeling, windsurfing or sea kayaking. Additional packages are also available. biras.com.



LA LA LAND

If your summer travel plans include a trip to the bright lights of L.A., be sure to stay at the **W Los Angeles – Westwood**. Starting Memorial Day weekend, the swanky hotspot is offering their WET Pool programs.

Have a splash at Show Me the Movies!, the hotel's popular summer cinema series, featuring Hollywood's biggest hits, including "The King's Speech" and "The Social Network." The best part is, while you're enjoying your flick poolside, proceeds benefit the Make-a-Wish Foundation of Greater Los Angeles.

Just because you're on vacation doesn't mean you can't fit in a workout or two. On Saturdays, join celebrity trainer Kit Rich in an hour-long fitness class featuring her unique approach to Pilates, yoga, cardio and weights. And after class, reward yourself with a refreshing mimosa.

In the mood for a little vino? Check out Wine Down at W, a monthly wine tasting event, featuring an array of reds, whites and sparkling wines. Or tantalize your taste buds with W's Around the World, where executive chef Dakota Weiss serves up special menus with global influences. wlosangeles.com



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