

Vacations

2013 Editorial Calendar

In every issue, Vacations presents eight to ten stories covering great destinations, incredible vacation values and unfamiliar sojourns, all accompanied by a vivid array of photos. Additionally, each issue contains two major features stories offering in-depth coverage of a central theme. Here are the topics developed for 2013:

January/February

A Year of Fantastic Vacations. Our month-by-month guide is packed with irresistible travel ideas, from warm-weather escapes in January to romantic honeymoon destinations in June to holiday getaways in December. Celebrate Earth Day in April at an eco-friendly resort, squeeze in a last-minute family getaway in August before school starts or celebrate fall harvests on a wine country escape. We'll also highlight our favorite festivals and seasonal celebrations.

March/April

Vintage Vacations. Hotels with history add character to your stay in the Caribbean, Florida, Hawaii, Arizona and California. * **Cruising Can Be Good For You.** We spotlight healthy dining options, fitness centers and wellness programs at sea, plus active shore excursions that get you moving. * **Italy, A to Z.** Our favorite things in the country of "la dolce vita." * **Unique Safari Lodgings.** Luxurious tented camps, a coffee plantation and a hotel with a hidden game-viewing shelter are among our top picks in the safari countries of Africa. * **Spotlight on Canada.** A photo essay of travel experiences up north, such as riding the rails in the Canadian Rockies, mingling with the polar bears of Manitoba and sampling the Vancouver food scene.

May/June

Savor the Mediterranean on a Cruise. Discover the culinary highlights of the region, from local markets and food-centric souvenirs to epicurean shore excursions. * **Resorts With Outstanding Children's Programs.** These hotels offer youth-oriented entertainment and activities that go above and beyond the norm. * **Favorite Features of Our National Parks.** Stargaze at night, photograph the fauna and flora, go bird-watching or catch the perfect sunset in these preserves.

July/August

Sailing the Po River. Uniworld's River Countess cruises the northern Italian waterway from Venice. * **Out-of-the-Ordinary Museums.** Bored by Botticelli? These museums celebrate the offbeat, the eccentric and the notorious. * **8 Ways to Cool Off.** Escape summer's heat with getaways at sea and on land.

September/October

See the Sights by Riverboat. Cruise the Columbia and Snake rivers in the Pacific Northwest, the Danube and Rhine in Europe, the Mekong in Southeast Asia and more. * **Hawaiian Spa Retreats.** The Aloha State has some of the most sumptuous spas around, frequently offering treatments that use local ingredients. * **Bahamian Bargains.** Take a break this fall with a value-priced vacation on a cruise ship or at a beachfront resort.

November/December

Adventures Abroad. Escorted tours simplify the process of visiting exotic locales like Antarctica, Costa Rica, the Galapagos and Tanzania. * **An Unplugged Vacation.** Want to completely disconnect? Get away from it all at these havens. * **Fun Food Scenes.** Flavorful things are happening at hotels and resorts with on-site farms and gardens, culinary classes, chef's tables and more.