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Get cheap ski passes, cruise to Christmas markets or take a tour of Peru's highlights

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1. Channel Islands ferry break

Overlooking the harbour in Jersey's vibrant capital of St Helier, the four-star Royal Yacht Hotel offers 109 elegant, modern bedrooms alongside its sea-focused restaurants and awardwinning spa, Sirène. Until Dec 30, every fourth night at the hotel is free.

Four nights from £661pp, B&B, including return ferry with a car from Poole, departing Oct 21, 5. Hike the Inca Trail condorferries.co.uk

2. Save on ski-lift passes

Indefinitely, every second pre-booked lift pass will be half-price at many European resorts through Iglu Ski. The options include Tignes and Val d'Isère in the French Alps. Two lift passes there now

cost from £567 in total, having been £756. You could stay at cosy Hotel Le Paquis, enjoying its fantastic glacier views and fire-heated bar.

Seven nights from £849pp, B&B, including flights and transfers, departing Jan 4, igluski.com

3. Christmas markets cruise

Tui River Cruises has trimmed the price of eight of its advent-season voyages in Europe. Reduced by £116, one is Festive Flavours, which, setting off on Dec 8, sees the contemporary, 77-cabin Skyla take a five-night round-trip from Mainz along the Rhine. The calls include Cologne, where a cathedral-side market and chocolate museum vie for attention, and Bonn, with its giant ice-skating rink.

Seven nights from £977pp, full board, including flights and transfers, tui.co.uk

4. Cheap flights to Asia

Until Thursday, Malaysia Airlines is offering reduced rates on fares across some routes from Heathrow. In Asia, the options span flights to Kuala Lumpur,

Singapore, Bali, Vietnam and Thailand. Stopover services to Melbourne, Sydney and Perth in Australia are also on offer, along with options to Auckland, New Zealand. Travel before June 30 next year, excluding the Christmas and Easter holiday periods.

Return flights to Da Nang, Vietnam, from £669, malaysiaairlines.com

Youth travel agency Kilroy is advertising 25 per cent savings on a trip of a lifetime to Peru. It's a G Adventures small-group tour, which begins in ancient Cusco before encompassing a hike along the Inca Trail to Machu Picchu, and two days in Amazonia, looking for caimans and anacondas with naturalists. The tour starts on Oct 29. Book by Oct 15.

Eleven nights from £1,655pp, B&B, including transfers, some activities and 11 other meals; flights extra, kilroy.co.uk













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