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Check into one of the new **Tree House Suites** in the grounds of country-house hotel Chewton Glen (01425 282212; chewtonglen.com) at New Milton in Hampshire. The six new structures, set high in the canopy, open on 1 August. They sleep four to six, and promise to offer the same five-star standard of luxury as the renowned hotel. Down on the ground, there's a children's club, sporting activities including tennis lessons, more than 50 hectares of grounds and a beach to explore, as well as a top spa and restaurant. Rates start at £600 per night.

Two new villas overlooking the **Bay of Kalkan in Turkey**, are available to rent through Exclusive Escapes (020-8605 2500; exclusiveescapes.co.uk). Korsan Guney and Korsan Kuzey both have five bedrooms, an infinity pool, shaded games area, private beach platforms and kayaks available. From £12,900 per property per week, based on 10 sharing, including



Private practice: The Isle of Eriska Hotel Spa & Island costs £10,000 a night

return flights to Dalaman from the private terminal at Stansted and 4x4 rental.

You could also hire your own private **Scottish island**. The Isle of Eriska Hotel Spa & Island is available for exclusive use for the first time. The five-star hotel is set on its own beach and has a 3 AA Rosette restaurant, golf course,

pool, tennis courts and spa. And you'll really impress your friends by suggesting you should all arrive in style on the 120-hectare island in a helicopter or seaplane. You'll certainly need a few well-heeled fellow travellers to fill the 25 bedrooms - the property costs from £10,000 per night (minimum two-night stay), just for bed and breakfast.

Sun guaranteed

Head to the far south of Italy for sun-drenched days on **Puglia's beaches**. Long Travel (01694 722193; long-travel.co.uk) is offering free B&B at Masseria Torre Coccaro, near Fasano, for children aged up to 12 this summer. This 39-room five-star hotel is set in a 17th-century *masseria* that counts a chapel among its charming buildings.

Facilities are thoroughly modern, including a slick beach club and a children's mini-club. Restaurant options include a fish, oyster, and sushi bar on the beach. Soccer, beach volleyball, ceramics, and cookery lessons are just some of the activities available. A week for a family of four costs from £2,604, excluding flights. Ryanair (0871 246 0000; ryanair.com) flies to Bari from Stansted from £119; British Airways (0844 493 0787; ba.com) flies from Gatwick from £248.

Mauritius dodges the extreme monsoon weather that can hit the



Some like it hot: the Mount Cinnamon Beach Club and Resort in Grenada

Indian Ocean in summer and is still pleasantly warm, hovering around 21C. Following a £60m rebuild, Trou aux Biches Resort & Spa on the island's north-west coast is laid out like a village with 333 suites and villas set in tropical gardens along the shore, within easy reach of bustling Grand Baie. Among its many attractions are kids' clubs for those aged three to 16 years and a

Clarins spa. Beachcomber Hotels (01483 445685; beachcombertours.co.uk) offers seven nights in a two-bedroom suite from £6,350 for a family of four, including return flights from Heathrow with Air Mauritius, transfers and half board.

Take an early summer holiday to avoid the risk of Caribbean storms at **Mount Cinnamon Beach Club & Resort** (001 473 439 4400; mountcinnamongrenadahotel.com) in Grenada. This small property - which has 21 suites and villas, all with kitchenettes - has rustled up some useful deals to lure holiday-makers to its white-sand shores. They include free child places and meals, and babysitting discounts. Caribtours (020-7751 0660; caribtours.co.uk) offers seven nights for the price of five from £4,822, based on two adults and two children sharing a two-bedroom suite, room only, with return Virgin Atlantic flights from Gatwick and transfers.

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Holiday parks

Siblu (0871 911 2288; siblu.com) is hoping to lure weary parents to its holiday parks in France with the promise of bolstering a family holiday with a health and well-being break. Saunas, hot tubs and massages feature at a number of its venues, such as **Le Bois Masson**. In

as egg and spoon races, to keep the competition light-hearted. A one-week stay at the **Sanguli Parc on the Costa Dorada in Spain**, in a three-bed mobile home sleeping up to six, costs from £1,377 including ferry crossings.

Deals on summer holidays are