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IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO NAB A LAST MINUTE CHRISTMAS BREAK

If you're looking for something different this Christmas, or fancy spending the silly season somewhere different, then a last minute Christmas break is the ideal way.

Flight Centre's PR manager, Marie Pilkington said Christmas is the perfect time to make the most of the public holidays and getaway on holiday.

"Christmas has a different meaning for everyone, however the majority of Kiwis take the time over the holiday period to enjoy a relaxing break. While many travel further afield to visit friends and family, there are still many New Zealanders looking to celebrate the season somewhere different," Ms Pilkington said.

Below is a list of Flight Centre New Zealand's best last minute Christmas breaks.

Fiji Island - Sonaisali Island Resort
Just a three minute boat ride from the main island of Viti-Levu, Sonaisali Island Resort is a true island escape.

Take the family with return airfares, five nights 4.5-star accommodation in a beachfront hotel room with American buffet breakfast daily and airport transfers from **$1,299*** ex Auckland, **$1,399*** ex Wellington or Christchurch, per person, twin share. Children from **$629*** per person. Add one extra night from an additional $59* per person. And as a bonus, kids eat at no charge from the kids menu when accompanied by an adult (up to two children 0-11 years). Sales until 14 November 2009 for travel 20 - 31 December 2009 and 3 - 10 January 2010.

Fiji Coral Coast - Outrigger on the Lagoon
Rediscover Fiji with the enchanting Coral Coast and the Outrigger on the Lagoon five-star resort. Voted as Trip Advisor's 2009 Traveller's Choice Award Top 10 Best for Families in the South Pacific, The Outrigger on the Lagoon is deluxe accommodation in Fiji.

Packages including return airfares, five nights five-star accommodation in a superior resort view room and airport transfers from **$1,339*** ex Auckland, **$1,439*** ex Wellington or Christchurch, per person, twin share. Children from **$629***per person and bonus kids eat at no charge from the kids menu when accompanied by an adult (up to two children 0-11 years). Sales until 14 November 2009 for travel 20 - 27 December 2009.

Melbourne - Hotel Ibis

A trip to Melbourne for Christmas is the ideal way to take a break this Christmas, while still getting all your Christmas shopping in!

Hop over the Tasman this Christmas with return airfares, two nights accommodation with full breakfast daily from **$1,199*** ex Auckland, **$1,399*** ex Wellington or **$1,259*** ex Christchurch. Add on a Melbourne sightseeing tour from $85* per person and the second adult tours at no additional cost. Sales until 14 November 2009 for travel 20 - 31 December 2009 and 1 - 10 January 2010.

Gold Coast - Mantra Legends
Famous for its sandy white beaches, exhilarating theme parks and vibrant night life, the Gold Coast has something for everyone. Why not take a break this Christmas and enjoy the stunning Queensland weather.

Try Christmas on the Gold Coast with return airfares and four nights four-star accommodation from **$1,299*** ex Auckland, **$1,455*** ex Wellington or **$1,315*** ex Christchurch, per person, twin share. Children from **$749*** per person.

For further details, more last minute Christmas breaks and bookings, call 0800 427 555 or visit www.flightcentre.co.nz

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