

This issue of HSBC *Premier* has six very special offers, giving you the chance to indulge yourself in some of the finer things in life. Choose from an exclusive break in a private Tuscan hilltop estate, a stay at the sumptuous Dar Liqama in Marrakech, autumn in Hong Kong, a sprawling Scottish country hotel, pampering treats in the heart of London or some fine Royal Derby china. And, of course, you can always choose more than one...

HSBC PREMIER GLOBAL SERVICES

One of the benefits of your HSBC *Premier* account is access to Global Services, which can help in numerous ways with your travel arrangements. It can:

- make flight reservations and book hotels
 - arrange car rentals
 - provide concierge services, including locating tickets for theatres and sporting events (even when they are supposedly sold out); make restaurant reservations, book conference rooms, hire mobiles, laptops, temporary staff and interpreters
 - help in retrieving lost or stolen luggage
- For further information about HSBC *Premier* Global Services, please contact your Relationship Manager



GREAT SCOT

Find perfect peace in Perthshire

The Kinross hotel sits in the heart of the valley of the River Tay, nestled in 9,000 acres of Perthshire countryside, an hour's drive from Edinburgh.

Privately owned by the Ward family since 1920, Kinross is a blend of old world charm and contemporary pampering, with beauty treatments at the Retreat and a renowned kitchen with its own smokehouses to bring out the best in local ingredients, including freshly-caught salmon and haddock.

HSBC *Premier* customers can stay at

the hotel for the exclusive price of £325 per room per night.

The cost includes dinner, breakfast (inc. VAT) for two people, as well as a fishing lesson or clay pigeon shooting and afternoon tea for two on return to the Main House.

For reservations call the hotel on +44 (0)1796 482 440, or send an email to enquiries@kinrossdestate.com and mention you are an HSBC *Premier* customer. The offer remains valid until 31 March 2005.

TOP TABLE

Classic porcelain with Royal approval

HSBC *Premier* customers can make significant savings on tableware items from one of Britain's most prestigious and historic porcelain makers, Royal Crown Derby. Queen Victoria granted



the Derby Crown Porcelain Company its charter in 1877, enabling it to use the word 'Royal' in its title.

Today the company makes an exquisite range of the highest quality porcelain tableware, both contemporary and classic. You can see the ranges on www.royal-crown-derby.co.uk, or call +44 (0)1332 712800 for brochures. HSBC *Premier* customers are offered 25 per cent off any item which they purchase and should mention HSBC *Premier* when ordering.

Prices include delivery within the UK, for overseas orders please enquire.

MOORISH LUXURY Chic retreat in Marrakech

HSBC *Premier* customers are offered an exclusive package at the luxurious Dar Liqama property, set in its own grounds on the fringes of Marrakech, Morocco.

Up to 16 guests (in eight en suite rooms) can enjoy this luxurious, traditional property meticulously updated with every modern comfort. The Moorish architecture provides arched walkways that give onto flower-scented courtyards, there are two private pools to enjoy as well as an underground *hammam*, cinema room, and tennis court. Beyond the grounds of the Dar Liqama the Atlas Mountains rise majestically; this is a magical place.

Central to the experience will be the cookery school, where your resident chef will teach the subtle spicing of local dishes. As well as your chef, there will also be a concierge, housekeepers and sommelier, who will organise a vintage champagne tasting, as well as guide you to the best of North Africa's increasingly excellent wines. Also included is a guided tour of the Marrakech souks, and dinner at one of the country's best restaurants.

All trips and transfers are by limousine, food, wines, staff and excursions are included, and itinerary and menus will be arranged prior to departure. The cost for 16 people (a further 12 can be accommodated at nearby Dar Luisa, prices on request) is €30,000 for five days and four nights. The trip is to be made in spring 2005. Transport to Marrakech not included, but can be arranged.

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UNDER THE TUSCAN SUN

Your own hilltop estate – with Michelin-starred chef and sommelier

The morning breaks warm and with a little late-spring mist; the smell of coffee and fresh bread fills the beautiful palazzo at the centre of the hilltop Tuscan estate. More precisely, for a few days at least, it's *your* hilltop estate. A quick swim, perhaps, or stroll around the four acres of walled garden, before breakfast. Then a private master class with Angela Hartnett, Michelin-starred chef of London's Connaught hotel, before a private helicopter trip to a wonderful light lunch taken at a closed-to-the-public part of the famous Tignanello vineyard, and tasting with legendary winemaker Piero Antinori.

Welcome to the most exclusive short break you'll probably ever experience – you and your family, or business associates, enjoying the incredible Villa Lucia for five days in total luxury and privacy.

Angela Hartnett will be resident at all times and to prepare meals and give informative but informal cookery classes. You'll have the full-time services of a fine sommelier, with a tasting of vintage champagne one night, and access to Italy's finest and rarest wines. Dinner at Enoteca Pinchiorri in Florence, one of Italy's finest restaurants, has also been organised.

For culture lovers, a private tour to Florence with an acclaimed local guide is included, again (as with all outings except those by helicopter) by chauffeured limousine. Finally, back to Pisa airport for the return leg of your private jet flight home.

The cost for this trip is €100,000 for six people* leaving from British or western European airports. All wine, meals, services, excursions are included as described; if any part of the itinerary changes we will make every effort to substitute with like-for-like events and personnel. The trip is to take place in spring 2005, exact dates by agreement. A full itinerary will be designed before the trip to meet personal requirements.

*Up to 42 people can be accommodated at Villa Lucia and the beautiful converted houses in the grounds – we will quote for extra food and wine, but cannot arrange ground transport except with prior notice and at extra cost. Also, the excursions as listed here are highly exclusive and not for large numbers of people.

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READER OFFERS

PARTY IN THE PARK

Win a pampering night-in

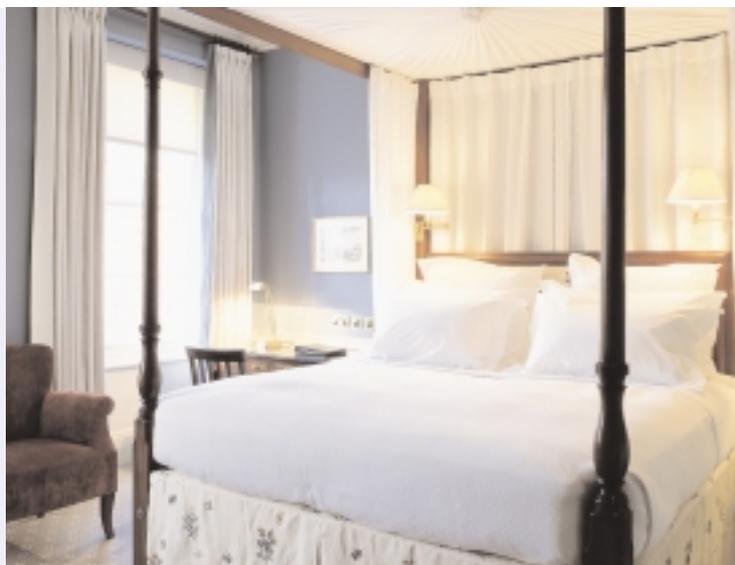
Elegant townhouse hotel The Royal Park, on the edge of London's Hyde Park, has created the most indulgent night-in imaginable in partnership with Heaven at Home, the home pampering team. The 'Heavenly Spa' weekend offers you a luxurious in-room spa experience, with your very own therapist for the evening, on hand to create blissful beauty treatments instilling complete relaxation and tranquillity in the comfiest of surroundings.

The Heaven at Home team arrive with scented candles, bejewelled pedi-slippers and a selection of fresh fruit, ready to whip up bespoke facial blends whilst you settle down with complimentary champagne and canapés for an evening of pure indulgence.

To complete your sensuous stay, you will receive a complimentary glass of Bucks Fizz upon arrival, and afternoon tea with warm scones served in the cosy drawing room.

The prize includes three hours with a Heaven at Home therapist, an Executive Double or Twin room, complimentary parking (subject to accommodation), Penhaligons bath oil, body lotion and candle, continental breakfast in your room, afternoon cream tea and a bottle of champagne and canapés.

Please send your name and address on a postcard to: HSBC *Premier* Competition, The Royal Park Hotel, 3 Westbourne Terrace,



Lancaster Gate, London W2 3UL. Closing date 31 November 2004. Prize must be taken by 31 January 2005, subject to availability. The Royal Park is also offering HSBC *Premier* customers a special weekend rate of £115 per room, per night, plus VAT for an Executive Double or Twin Room (normally £135). The offer includes continental breakfast, newspapers, a glass of whisky or sherry upon check-in, afternoon tea, and a glass of champagne with canapés in the evening. Weekend rates are subject to a minimum two-night stay on a Friday, Saturday or Sunday. Valid until 31 December 2004, subject to availability.



THE SWEET LIFE

Celebrate the new season in style in Hong Kong

HSBC *Premier* customers are invited to celebrate the annual Mid-Autumn Festival at Mandarin Oriental, Hong Kong with exclusive discounted rates, complimentary upgrades – and a little something special for those with a sweet tooth.

Mandarin Oriental, Hong Kong enjoys a prime location in the heart of this vibrant city, with access to the best in shopping, dining, sightseeing and nightlife. Enjoy elegant room accommodation at a special rate of HK\$1,888 (£129) a night, with a complimentary upgrade to a Harbour View room.

If you stay at the hotel during October and November, you'll receive a personal tour of the hotel's chocolate room (by appointment only and subject to availability) and an exclusive Mandarin Oriental chocolate treat.

Rates are for room only and are subject to a 10 per cent service charge and three per cent government tax. For reservations call the hotel on +852 2522 0111 or send an email to mohkg-reservations@mohg.com

Please quote the magazine on making your reservation. The offer is valid until 30 November, 2004.