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TOP TEN FAMILY VACATION TIPS

- 1) **Play by the pool.** When the desert sun gets a little too warm, everyone enjoys a dip. Take the kids to the sand-entry pool for a fun afternoon. Read or soak up the sun on a lounge chair by any of the three, large pools on-site while the kids splash around. Whet your appetites without stepping indoors at the pool bar.
- 2) **Enjoy breakfast in bed.** A laid-back start to the day within the comfort of the guest room can do wonders for family bonding. Turn on cartoons for the kids and relax with a section of the newspaper delivered to your door, cup of complimentary coffee and a delicious item off the gourmet room service menu.
- 3) **Have s'more.** Not every family knows how to pitch a tent but at Renaissance Esmeralda, every family can share delicious memories and tell favorite ghost stories over a campfire. With the outdoor firepits and Glo Lounge's creative menu including s'mores, "street tacos" and homemade donuts in brown paper bags, everybody can be a kid again – without worrying about the bears.
- 4) **Take pictures.** It's not every day that the kids get to start their day swimming and end it at the Living Desert Zoo. Take pictures, and spend time together sharing your favorite experiences and making an album when you return home.
- 5) **Kids rule.** Give the kids the reigns by letting them pick activities or dining choices. They will appreciate the opportunity to be in charge, and it will take the pressure off of you!
- 6) **Camp for kids. Spa for parents.** The kids will have a blast at Camp Oasis where they can do arts and crafts, make delicious snacks, and swim. You will enjoy visiting the intimate, full-service spa on-site, Spa Esmeralda indulging in any of the signature treatments such as the "Couples Retreat" with an aromatherapy bath, interactive facial mud mask and an aromatic massage or a "Couples Floral Ritual" designed to refresh the mind and body.

- 7) **Two words: date night.** It's important to re-group away from the kids during a family vacation. Arrange for one of the resort's experienced and qualified sitters to stay with your children while you enjoy a candlelit meal at Sirocco or a seat near the orchid garden at Cava.
- 8) **Explore Indian Wells.** While staying at the Renaissance Esmeralda, we encourage you to explore and discover the extraordinary. There are plenty of family-friendly things to do in Indian Wells. Visit the Living Desert Zoo & Gardens, the Children's Discovery Museum, or the Palm Springs Air Museum to start off the adventure.
- 9) **Breathing room.** Allow for some unscheduled, free time in each day's itinerary. If someone wants to hit the links at the 18-hole PGA golf course next door or read a book by the pool, let them go for it.
- 10) **Keep a journal.** When you have so much fun in such a short period of time, it's amazing how much you can forget. Every night take a few minutes to gather the whole family together and share your favorite experiences from the day. Write them in a journal, and your memories will last a lifetime.

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