

Close to Home

Spring into action, or wile away the day with play. Whatever your motive for the spring season, these packages are sure to delight both the lion and the lamb in you

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The Viceroy Palms Springs

■ TRY A LITTLE TENDERNESS

What: Deluxe accommodations, Champagne and chocolate covered strawberries, in-room daily breakfast for two, a 50-minute couple's massage at **Spa Moulay** and a lakeside dinner for two at **Japengo**
Where: Hyatt Regency Lake Las Vegas Resort, Spa & Casino, www.lakelasvegas.hyatt.com
When: March through the end of the year
Price: Starting from \$765
Escape Hatch: Situated 17 miles from the Las Vegas Strip, overlooking Lake Mead, there's no need to shield your eyes from the neon lights



⚡ KID FRIENDLY

What: For parents who want to paint the town with their

children in tow, this package includes tickets to the **Shark Reef at Mandalay Bay** for two adults and two children, access to **Mandalay Bay Beach**, featuring a wave pool and 11 acres of sand, a welcome snack for children, children's robes, complimentary children's in-room movie or one hour of video games daily and a \$25 credit per person, per day toward incidentals
Where: Four Seasons Hotel Las Vegas, www.fourseasons.com/lasvegas
When: May 29 onward
Price: Starting from \$250
Do Not Disturb: Package includes special savings on a second room so mom and dad can enjoy some nightlife

■ SWING INTO SPRING

What: A room, daily breakfast, a round of golf per person, per paid night at either the **Tournament Player's Club of Scottsdale** (Home of the PGA Tour's *FBR Open*) or the adjacent **TPC Desert Course**, transportation to and from golf courses, free sleeve of TPC golf balls, use of the resort's fitness center
Where: The Fairmont Scotts-

dale Princess, www.fairmont.com/scottsdale
When: Through April 3
Price: Starting from \$929
Play Your Heart Out: Package includes unlimited golf for same day play on both courses



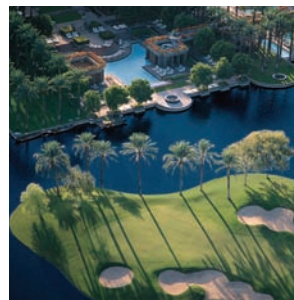
⚡ HIKE AND BIKE

What: Three nights in a luxurious casita guestroom, two 50-minute spa treatments, one half-day hiking expedition and one half-day biking excursion with professional guides from **Arizona Outback Adventures**; includes use of gear, water and snacks, transportation to and from adventure sites and daily breakfast for two in **Crescent Moon** or through in-casita dining
Where: Four Seasons Resort

⚡ SHOP AND SUN

What: A shopping expedition fit for a star — a free VIP coupon book with offers for use at 90 nearby outlets such as **Prada**, **Gucci**, **Dolce and Gabbana** and **Versace**; a **Hollywood Regency**-designed deluxe room; a nurturing foot and leg treatment and a set of two Chamomile tea infusers to help you recover and relax upon your return to your room
Where: Viceroy Palm Springs, www.viceroypalmsprings.com
When: March onward
Price: Starting from \$269
We never close: The adult-only swimming pools are open 24 hours and call your name for a midnight dip

Scottsdale at Troon North, www.fourseasons.com/scottsdale
When: April 14-17 and May 19-22
Price: Three-night package is \$905 per night
No whining allowed: For the spa treatment included, go for the *Therapeutic Massage* designed to relieve muscle soreness



www.hermosainn.com
When: March onward
Price: Starting from \$545
Historic Value: The Hermosa Inn is one of only a few remaining authentic haciendas in Arizona

■ HEAVEN ON EARTH

What: The lap of luxury — Grand Deluxe Suite, a \$400 **Peninsula Spa** credit and two monogrammed Peninsula Spa bathrobes
Where: The Peninsula Beverly Hills, <http://beverlyhills.peninsula.com/>
When: April 7-16 and May 26-29
Price: \$1000
Romancing the Stone: Opt for the *Journey down the Nile* body treatment to really get away from it all



⚡ TWINKLE TOES

What: A girls' weekend away in a deluxe guestroom for two, a bottle of wine via room service, two 75-minute *Lushly Pedicures*, a paraffin treatment, sugar scrub and therapeutic foot massage, take-home nail polish and unlimited use of **Spa Avania's** fitness center
Where: Hyatt Regency Scottsdale Resort and Spa at Gainey Ranch, www.scottsdale.hyatt.com
When: May 1-31
Price: Starting from \$545
Guilt Free Shopping: Also included per person is a *Westcor Shopping and Dining Incentive* book worth over \$800 for use at **Scottsdale Fashion Square** or any of the 11 Arizona Westcor shopping centers

■ THE ART OF THE COWBOY

What: A civilized stay in the Wild West. One night in a deluxe casita, buffet breakfast for two, an excursion for two to **Frank Lloyd Wright's Taliesin West** and a gift book, a copy of *The Cowboy's Dream: The Mythic Life and Art of Lon Megargee*, dinner for two in the celebrated **LON's** restaurant, Champagne and dessert "art" at turnout
Where: The Hermosa Inn,

⚡ CULTURE CLUB

What: Education of the fun variety. Tickets for two to one museum of your choice: **Los Angeles County Museum of Art** (LACMA), **Museum of Contemporary Art** (MOCA) at **California Plaza** or **MOCA** at the **Geffen Contemporary**. Overnight accommodations, daily breakfast for two at **Jer-ne Restaurant + Bar** or ordered through in-room dining
Where: The Ritz-Carlton, Marina Del Rey, www.ritzcarlton.com/hotels/marina_de_l_rey
When: Through March 31
Price: Starting from \$309
Snoop Around: *The Masters of American Comics Exhibit* at MOCA features **Charles Schulz's** comics among 900 other original drawings by comic geniuses