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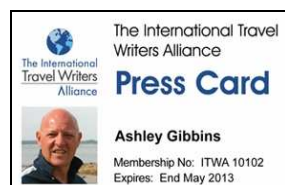
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The Alliance press card



The International Travel Writers Alliance Press Card now provides Alliance journalists with formal recognition of their status and standing – and a roving ambassador's role - in the profession.

See Appendix one for the directory of opportunities for press card holders.

Registering with the Alliance

To register with the Alliance visit : www.itwalliance.com, and register as a :

- **Member** : travel writers, broadcasters and photographers
- **Editor** : commissioning editors
- **Partner** : travel and tourism industry organisations, or
- **Agency** : agency representatives with travel or tourism clients

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Opportunities

Alliance members looking to take advantage of any of the following opportunities should be on assignment, with a commission or able to obtain one.

Demand Media

Demand Media studios are currently looking for well-qualified travel writers/bloggers to become regular contributors to its network of popular travel sites.

Contributors are paid twice per week and their articles can reach millions of new readers every day.

Visit : www.demandstudios.com. A new writer application can be found at www.demandstudios.com/Signup.

Job opportunities

The **International Travel Writers Alliance Job Shop** is a new and developing resource of information on jobs for journalists - across the world.

It also enables the Alliance's partners to place - and journalists to receive - information on in-house jobs, special assignments or one-off projects.

Senior Editor - Cooking Light Books

New York, New York

Time Inc.

http://www.jobtarget.com/c/job.cfm?job=13779732&site_id=14773

Publications Editor

Missoula, Montana

Outdoor Writers Association of America

http://www.jobtarget.com/c/job.cfm?job=13785939&site_id=14773

Hot Topics Editor needed for Computing Reviews

New York, New York

Computing Reviews (CR)

http://www.jobtarget.com/c/job.cfm?job=12522467&site_id=14773

Online Editor (4018U)

Berkeley, California

University of California, Berkeley

http://www.jobtarget.com/c/job.cfm?job=13765646&site_id=14773

For more information on these and other jobs visit : www.itwalliance.com and click **Job shop**

9 To 5 The Musical, Newcastle UK

9 To 5 The Musical, which showcases the music of Dolly Parton runs at Newcastle Theatre Royal from 15 to 20 July 2013.

Set in the 1980s, it centres on three office workers who turn the tables on their sexist, egotistical, lying, hypocritical bigot of a boss. The Newcastle Theatre Royal is one of the UK's finest regional theatres.

Visit : www.9to5themusical.co.uk and www.theatreroyal.co.uk. For press tickets contact : Natalie Joyce at natalie.joyce@theatreroyal.co.uk.

Working with the Alliance

The following travel industry partners and agencies have registered with the Alliance and are keen to work with Alliance travel writers, editors, broadcasters and photographers.

Other Alliance partners and agencies can be found at www.itwalliance.com.

Partners

Mons Region Tourist Office, Belgium

The Mons Region Tourist Office provides information about the area of Mons and organizes guided tours, daytrips and city trips.

The Mons Region Tourist Office also welcomes journalists in collaboration with the Belgian Tourist Offices of Wallonia and Brussels.

It is involved in the development of projects linked with the UNESCO sites, Mons 2015 European Capital of Culture and the memorial tourism in the frame of the commemorations 2014/2018.

Visit : www.monsregion.be. Contact : Michel Vasko at michel.vasko@ville.mons.be.

Tourism Ireland (Netherlands)

Tourism Ireland are responsible for the promotion of Ireland overseas.

Ruairi Lehmann is in charge of publicity for the Dutch market and organises a number of press trips for Dutch journalists and bloggers.

Visit : www.ierlandmediaroom.nl. Contact : Ruairi Lehmann at rlehmann@tourismireland.com

Whistling Arrow (Asia)

Whistling Arrow creates and manages a select number of highly distinctive small group adventures in Asia. These range from unique pilgrimage treks around sacred peaks in the Tibetan Himalaya to amazing island – hopping expeditions in Northern Palawan, The Philippines.

All its trips are culturally immersive and original in design and allow our clients to explore the wilder more awe-inspiring corners of the world's most diverse continent.

Visit : www.whistlingarrow.com. Contact : Adrian Bottomley at adrian@whistlingarrow.com.

RIGHT-tourism.org

RIGHT-tourism.org is a charity-run information website which gives tourists the chance to find out how they can see/interact with animals while they are on holiday - but without harming them.

Information is listed under every country in the world, and within different categories.

There is also a series of expert articles on different issues, such as 'Beasts of Burden' and 'Animal Attractions', while a Your View section gives tourists the chance to feed in their personal comments, pictures and videos from their travels.

Tour operators who share the RIGHT-tourism ethos are listed.

Visit : www.RIGHT-tourism.org. Contact : Chris Pitt at chris@careforthewild.com.

The Hoste, Norfolk UK

The Hoste is a four star boutique retreat located in Nelson's county and surrounded by countryside, unspoilt coastline, acclaimed nature reserves, picturesque villages and historic market towns.

A little more than a two hour's drive from London, this collection of hotels and luxury cottages with its two AA rosette restaurant and beauty spa, is located in one of Norfolk's loveliest villages, Burnham Market.

Visit : www.thehoste.com. Contact :Kate at kate@thehoste.com.

The Convention and Visitors Bureau of Nice, France

Nice, on the French Riviera in the South of France a city of multiple perfumes and flavours with the gentle lifestyle is as much due to the city's beauty as to its exceptional climate.

The *Cours Saleya* and its markets will reveal their unexpected treasures and stimulate taste-buds. Flower markets, fruit and vegetable markets, fish markets.

The Old City - with its picturesque narrow streets has even more treasures in store.

Visit : www.en.nicetourisme.com. Contact : Nadja Graf at nadja.graf@otcnice.com.

Visit Devon, UK

Visit Devon has launched Active Devon, a multimedia advertising campaign to attract tourists to the County.

The campaign will communicate the beauty, breadth and quality of experiences and attractions in Devon - whatever the weather.

The Devon Tourism Partnership (DTP), which manages the Visit Devon brand, is made up of :

- The Dartmoor Partnership
- English Riviera Tourism Company
- Heart of Devon
- North Devon+
- Destination Plymouth
- Visit South Devon
- Devon County Council, and
- the Devon Association of Tourism Attractions.

Visit : www.VisitDevon.co.uk. Contact : Ashley Chapman at ashleychapman@weareonshore.com.

The Family Holiday Association (UK)

The Family Holiday Association has been working to provide domestic short breaks for the most needy children and their families for over 35 years.

The chance to enjoy a break away from the stresses of daily life is something that many of us take for granted, but thousands of UK children have never had the chance to enjoy a holiday. Typically, a family granted a short break stays in a caravan in a UK seaside town.

The charity has found that these simple holidays can have a positive effect on mental health, help strengthen relationships within the family and give family members a fresh perspective, providing them with the motivation to make positive changes to their lives. Holidays do matter.

Visit : www.familyholidayassociation.org.uk. Contact : Angie Watson at angie@familyholidayassociation.org.uk.

News

The Québec City International Festival of Military Bands, Québec, Canada

21 to 25 August 2013

The 15th Québec City International Festival of Military Bands brings together military orchestral bands from around the world.

During the six days of festivities, bands from Canada, Germany, Belgium, United States, Chile and France will perform. Concerts are staged in a wide range of venues, and there are parades, a TATTOO, and Grand Concert.

Visit : www.quebecattoo.net. Contact : Mélissa R Laforest at mlaforest@fimmq.com

Hilton Hotels Sunderland

Hilton Hotels group is to build a new hotel at Sunderland's bringing forward Stadium Park. Work is due to start in early 2014 with completion due in summer 2015.

Visit : www.sunderland.gov.uk. Contact : Claire Buchan at claire@sortedpr.com.

New titles from Rough Guides

Rough Guides have published 16 new or fully revised and updated titles including :

- The Rough Guide to Kent, Sussex and Surrey
- The Rough Guide to Morocco
- The Rough Guide to Iceland
- Pocket Rough Guide Lisbon
- Pocket Rough Guide Amsterdam
- Pocket Rough Guide Barcelona
- The Rough Guide to Dordogne & the Lot
- The Rough Guide to Provence & the Côte d'Azur
- The Rough Guide to Mallorca & Menorca
- The Rough Guide to Kenya
- The Rough Guide to Singapore
- The Rough Guide to Mexico
- The Rough Guide to Crete
- The Rough Guide to Canada
- The Rough Guide to Sardinia
- The Rough Guide to Cyprus
- The Rough Guide to Turkey
- Pocket Rough Guide Amsterdam, and the
- Pocket Rough Guide Barcelona

Visit : www.roughguides.com. Contact Tom Waller at tom.waller@uk.dk.com.

Kids Week in London theatres

1-31 August 2013

The annual London theatre *Kids Week* encourages young people to experience the magic of live theatre.

During *Kids Week* one child aged 16 or under can go free to participating shows when accompanied by an adult paying full price, and up to two extra children can go for half price. Children can also take part in free activities and events on stage and backstage at many of the West End's venues.

Visit : www.kidsweek.co.uk. Contact : Matthew Brown at : matthewb@soltma.co.uk

Care for the Wild

Wildlife charity *Care for the Wild* have published a report on the Tiger Temple in Kanchanaburi, Thailand, where visitors are offered the chance to get up close and personal with 'rescued' tigers.

While the temple poses as a tiger sanctuary, the report highlights concerns around animal welfare, health and safety, and false marketing (the temple doesn't contribute to conservation).

Visit : www.careforthewild.com/what-we-do/campaigns/temple-of-lies and www.RIGHT-tourism.com.
Contact : Jenny at staff@Careforthewild.com.

Hotel Granvía, Barcelona

Barcelona's historic Hotel Granvia, built in 1870 has reopened after a major refurbishment.

The hotel, which offer 58 completely unique rooms, is located in the heart of Barcelona, just steps away from Plaza Catalunya and the Paseo de Gracia. It is one of the Nuñez i Navarro Hotels' collection of Barcelona properties.

Visit : www.nnhotels.com. Contact : Alba Plana at pr@orbyce.com.

Terraneo music festival, Šibenik, Croatia

7 to 9 August 2013

The new Terraneo music festival will be staged in a disused military facility just outside the coastline town of Šibenik, and will feature over 120 acts including My Bloody Valentine, Azealia Banks and Calxico.

Visit : www.terraneofestival.com. Contact : Tim Thackray at Tim.Thackray@Rooster.co.uk.

The Johnny Cash Museum

The Johnny Cash Museum, which has opened in downtown Nashville, has a collection that features the earliest known Johnny Cash letters and documents as well as the handwritten manuscript to the last song he wrote.

There are also displays of awards, costumes and instruments and an extensive focus on Cash's life including his childhood and early adulthood and his service in the United States Air Force.

Visit : www.johnnycash.com and www.visitmusiccity.com. Contact : Mark Logsdon at tennessee@deep-south-usa.com.

Venice Yours Too, Respect It

Venice Yours Too, Respect It is a new campaign that asks visitors' to do as the Venetians do when spending time in the Lagoon City.

A list of ten requests, including not wearing bathing suits in the city; not feeding the pigeons in St Mark's Square and not buying fake goods from street vendors, has been printed in seven languages in a bid to nudge tourists' behaviour in the right direction.

Widely regarded as one of the world's most beautiful cities, Venice relies on tourism for its main economy and attracts 20 million visitors every year.

Visit : www.venice-tourism.com. Contact : Stefania Gatta at stefania.gatta@enit.it.

Ryanair flights between Rijeka, Croatia, and London

Ryanair will start flights between Rijeka and London starting from July 2013.

Located in the Kvarner region, Rijeka has a number of tourist attractions, including the Modello Palace, the Croatian National Theatre and provides access to the nearby islands of Krk, Cres and Rab.

Visit : www.ryanair.com/en and www.croatia.hr. Contact : Tim Thackray at Tim.Thackray@Rooster.co.uk.

Leads

BirdLife Malta

BirdLife Malta, the oldest environmental organisation in Malta, strives to conserve wild birds and their habitats on this island in the Mediterranean Sea.

In particular, it is fighting the indiscriminate and illegal hunting of a range of migrant and protected birds who use the islands as a landfall stopover.

Bird lovers can join the organisation and help fight the illegal hunting of birds on Malta for an annual subscription of €22.

Visit : www.birdlifemalta.org. Contact : springwatch@birdlifemalta.org.

The Foghorn Requiem at Souter Lighthouse, South Shields, UK

22 June 2013 at 12.30pm

The Foghorn Requiem, written by British composer Orlando Gough, will be performed by three North East brass bands to a sound drop from vessels of all shapes and sizes.

The vessels anchored off the coast at South Shields will sound their horns to the musical score.

The free event will be the highlight of a month-long Festival of the North East initiated by musician Kathryn Tickell to celebrate and raise awareness of the social and cultural heritage of the region.

Visit : www.foghornrequiem.org and www.southtyneside.info. Contact : Emma Walker at emma@sortedpr.com.

Italy by first class rail

US based Sceptre Tours is offering an "Italy In Luxury" package that is one of the best ways to see the country.

This journey begins in Rome for three nights at the five-star Hotel Bernini Bristol, located in a 19th-century Roman palace.

On the fourth day, there is first class travel by train, capital of Tuscany, for three nights at the four-star Grand Hotel Baglioni.

On the seventh day, there is travel by first class rail to the Venetian Lagoon for two nights in the four-star Hotel Palazzo Stern, just steps from Saint Mark's Square and the Grand Canal.

Visit : www.SceptreTours.com. Contact : Jane Coloccia at Jane@JCCommunicationsllc.com.

Volcanoes of Washington Bike Tour

Bicycle Adventures is offering Volcanoes of Washington Bike Tour, an eight-day/seven-night ride from Seattle, WA, to Portland, OR.

The route goes by way of some of the 20 major volcanic centers paralleling the Pacific Ocean and comprising the Pacific Northwest's Cascade Mountains.

The most notable of the volcanoes by virtue of being the most recent to erupt is Mount St. Helens that claimed over 50 lives when it erupted on May 18, 1980. Others include Mt. Rainier, which erupted in 1854, Mt. Hood and Mt. Adams.

Bicycle Adventures is a Pacific Northwest-based active travel company specializing in two-wheel tours in North America, Hawaii and New Zealand,

Visit : www.bicycleadventures.com. Contact : Sara Widness at sara@widnesspr.com.

Tropic Journeys in Nature, Ecuador

Ecuador's ecotourism company, Tropic Journeys in Nature leads tours through Ecuador's most engaging landscapes.

These include the El Cajas massif that has been added to UNESCO's 12 newly designated International Biospheres for its ecological importance in the conservation and protection of biodiversity.

The El Cajas massif zone includes 232 lakes scattered through one million hectares in four provinces (Azuay, Cañar, Guayas and El Oro) and protected areas including the Cajas National Park.

Visit : www.destinationecuador.com and www.tropiceco.com. Contact : Dave Wiggins at dave@travelnewssource.com.

Hall's Croft, Stratford upon Avon, UK

Hall's Croft, the 17th century marital home of Susanna, daughter of William Shakespeare, is celebrating its 400th anniversary in 2013.

The house was built in 1613 for Dr. John Hall and his wife Susanna, who lived there until Shakespeare's death in 1616, after which they moved into New Place, which was left to them in Shakespeare's will.

Hall's Croft is celebrating with a number of special events; including birthday celebrations, live theatre in the garden and a live Jazz evening.

Visit : www.shakespeare.org.uk. Contact : Tanya Aspinwall at Tanya@marketingaloud.co.uk.

Everest app

Everest, the world's highest mountain, has a new application enabling iOS users to take a tour of the mountain in 3D or 2D

The new iOS app called Mount Everest 3D enables users to take a tour of the world's highest peak from any angle on the mountain.

The app can be downloaded for free, although it does contain in-app purchases, via Apple's App Store at: itunes.apple.com/en/app/mount-everest-3d/id616704353?mt=8.

Google bike routes

Google is expanding its bike trail routes and bike-friendly roads on Google Maps.

Cycling directions and turn-by-turn navigations will be available in Germany, France, Poland, Ireland, Luxembourg, and Liechtenstein.

Google already offers bike navigation to Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, The Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, and the UK — and Australia.

Cycle directions for Google Maps was first released in 2010 in the US and Canada.

Google is also users to add bike trails, lanes and suggested routes to Google Maps using Map Maker.

The China Outbound Tourism Research Institute

The China Outbound Tourism Research Institute is a leading independent research institute for information relating to the Chinese outbound tourism market.

In 2012 China overtook the USA and Germany in terms of the number of travels and of the amount spent.

The China Outbound Tourism Research Institute will launch the China Outbound Market Intelligence from July 2013.

This is a 36 page online publication, providing the tourism industry with the essential intelligence, insights and background information about current and future developments of the Chinese outbound tourism market.

As Chinese tourists have gained more travel experience there has been a shift from package tours and sightseeing to an emphasis on self-organised activity packed holidays.

Visit : www.china-outbound.com. Contact : Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Arlt at press@china-outbound.com.

What's on

The Salzburg Festival

19 July to 1 September 2013

The Austrian city of Salzburg lives up to its reputation as one of the world's great festival cities with the summer long Salzburg Festival season offering over 4,000 music and theatre events.

Beyond the festival events themselves, the medieval streets and the squares of Salzburg's historic city centre comes alive with visitors entertained by all manner of buskers.

Visit : www.salzburgerfestspiele.at/summer and www.salzburg.info. Contact : Gunda Bleckmann at Bleckmann@salzburg.info.

10 Fest Azores

20 to 29 June 2013

The archipelago of the Azores is staging 10 Fest Azores, a ten day food festival where renowned and Michelin Star chefs from around the world represent the Azores' delicious cuisine and dishes.

The festival, which takes place for 10 consecutive nights at the Anfiteatro Restaurant in Ponta Delgada on the island of São Miguel, will see the chefs preparing 10 dinners representing traditional and modern takes on Azorean cuisine, for approximately 700 travellers and guests.

The festival will also feature barmen, winemakers and sommeliers from around the world.

Visit : www.azoreschoice.com and www.visitazores.com. Contact : David Wilson at david.wilson@kbc-pr.com.

The Tour de Pologne, Poland

27 July to 3 August 2013

The Tour de Pologne road cycling race is the most prestigious Polish sporting event, which was first held in September 1928.

Visit : www.tourdepologne.pl. Contact : press@langteam.com.pl.

The Diamond Jubilee Macau Formula 3 Grand Prix

The Diamond Jubilee Macau Grand Prix, Macau, China
9 and 10 and 14 to 17 November 2013

The Macau Grand Prix is one of the biggest events of the year in Macau is celebrating its diamond jubilee racing and celebrations over two weekends.

More than 350 competitors as well as thousands of motor sports fans are expected to descend on the city for the event, which represents the climax of the Formula 3 calendar. Macau is located 40 miles from Hong Kong on China's south coast

Visit : www.macau.grandprix.gov.mo. Contact : Sarah Habicht at sarah@humewhitehead.co.uk.

Gay Pride events in the UK

Birmingham Pride

Annually May

England's second largest city, in the west Midlands region of the country, hosts its Pride festival at the end of Spring and, welcomes 100,000 visitors over the weekend to highlights such as its Cabaret Marquee, dance arena and funfair, plus 50,000 spectators to its Carnival Parade – it looks set to be another remarkable weekend.

Visit : www.birminghampride.com and www.visitbirmingham.com.

London Pride

25 to 29 June 2013

London Pride is one of Europe's largest non-ticketed events, which comes to a close with a carnival of music, floats and dancing, drawing a huge crowd of spectators. London's established gay neighbourhoods include Soho, Vauxhall and the East End.

Visit : www.pridelondon.org and www.visitlondon.com.

Brighton Pride

3 and 4 August 2013

Brighton is often promoted as the 'Gay capital of England' and its 2013 Gay Pride event will be its 21st anniversary. Most of the action takes place in Kemptown, where visitors will find a vibrant café culture and many of the larger bars and clubs.

Visit : www.pridebrighton.org and www.visitbrighton.com.

Liverpool Pride

3 August 2013

More than 20,000 people visited the inaugural Liverpool Pride festival in 2010 and last year's Nautical but Nice theme saw that number more than double with 52,000 visitors. Liverpool's gay quarter is concentrated around Stanley Street.

Visit : www.liverpoolpride.co.uk and www.visitliverpool.com.

Manchester Pride

16 to 26 August 2013

Manchester Pride is a ten-day festival of art, culture, sport, music, film and heritage events, showcasing the talents of the city's LGBT population. Manchester's gay village runs along the waterfront strip of Canal Street.

Visit : www.manchesterpride.com and www.visitmanchester.com.

Cardiff Mardi Gras

31 August 2013

Cardiff hosts its first Mardi Gras in 2013 with a parade travelling through the city centre before arriving at Coopers Field for the start of the main stage activities to the backdrop of Cardiff Castle.

Cardiff's gay scene is focused on the two central strips of Charles Street and Bute Terrace.

Visit : www.cardiffmardigras.co.uk and www.visitcardiff.com.

Visit : www.visitbritain.com. Contact : stuart.kirby@visitbritain.org.

The Rhythmtree World Music Festival, Isle of Wight

19 to 21 July 2013

The Rhythmtree Festival, which features a wide range of world music, will see performances by Ginger Baker and his newly formed quartet, the Jazz Confusion, and Dele Sosimi's Afrobeat Orchestra.

Visit : www.redfunnel.co.uk. Contact : Emma Liasides at Emma.Liasides@fourbgb.com.

Reasons to write about

Ancient civilisations for the over 50s

Saga Travel, which is the UK's leading provider of holidays, products and services for people aged 50 with a travelling partner of 40 or over, offer a range of archaeology tours including :

Archaeology in Rhodes

The chance to discover the history lying at the heart of this Greek island and learn about the legacy left by the Knights of St John, including visits to the Palace of the Grand Masters, the Street of the Knights in Rhodes Old Town, and Kameiros , one of Greece's best-preserved classical cities.

Crete and the Minoan Culture

Ancient Crete, which was the heart of the Minoan kingdom, has left behind a wealth of archaeological treasures to be seen at the ruins of Górtyn city with its amphitheatre and circus remnants, and the Palace of Knossos.

Malta's Ancient Legacies

Malta has a fascinating archaeological history from prehistoric times to Roman rule, including the UNESCO World Heritage site Ggantja temples which are among the world's oldest man-made religious structures.

Archaeology in the Land of the Pharaohs

This tour explores the distinctive architecture of the Pharaohs and takes in the Great Pyramid of Giza, the only one of the original Seven Wonders of the World left relatively intact, as well as the Luxor temple, Egypt's best preserved temple, Edfu, and the temples of Ramses II at Abu Simbel.

Jordan, Land of Ancient Wonders

This Jordanian tour visits ancient temples, castles and ruined cities including : the Roman city of Jerash, the prehistoric valley of Wadi Rum, the Dead Sea and the city of Petra, one of the 'New' Seven Wonders of the World.

Visit : www.sagaholidays.co.uk. Call : Carl Catterall at carl.catterall@saga.co.uk.

The beaches of Columbia

Two of Colombia's Caribbean beach locations have been nominated in the Best Beach Destinations in South America category for the World Travel Awards (WTA).

These are San Andres, an island covering 27sqkm situated 700km from the Colombian mainland, and Tayrona National Park, a protected beach area near Santa Marta on the country's north coast.

San Andrés is a coral island in the Caribbean Sea lying near to the islands of Providencia and Santa Catalina. Enjoying English and Spanish influence it offers a range of beach, water-sports, diving and ecotourism pursuits.

One of Colombia's most popular national parks, Tayrona is situated on the jungle-covered coast at the foot of the Sierra Nevada de Santa Marta.

The park stretches along the coast from the Bahía de Taganga near Santa Marta to the mouth of the Río Piedras, 35km to the east.

The scenery varies from sandy beaches along the coast in the north to rainforest at an altitude of 600m on the southern limits of the park.

San Andres and Tayrona National Park will compete against :

- Fernando de Noronha Beach and Ipanema Beach in Brazil
- Mar del Plata in Argentina
- Playa el Agua and Isla de Margarita in Venezuela, and
- San Andreas Island and Acapulco Beach in Chile for the coveted title.

Last year's winner was Copacabana beach in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil.

Visit : www.colombia.travel and www.worldtravelawards.com. Contact : Vikki Carley at vikki@axistravelmarketing.com.

Birdwatching at Anse Chastanet, Saint Lucia

The Caribbean resort of Anse Chastanet is set within 600 acres of lush vegetation on the island of Saint Lucia.

This makes it a base for bird-lovers looking to spot rare and exotic birds.

To showcase this, Anse Chastanet has launched a five day bird watching package.

As a UNESCO World Heritage Site, Anse Chastanet and its surrounding area near the southwest town of Soufriere attracts a wide range of tropical wildlife.

Across the wider island, the dramatic landscape changes of dry coastal areas, lush rainforest, scrub forests and sea cliffs mean that a whole host of species are present and guests can experience the very best of its birdlife.

Visit : www.ansechastanet.com. Contact : Charlotte Hill at Charlotte@grifcopr.com.

Spitfire display, Historic Dockyard Chatham, UK

The Spirit of Kent Spitfire from Biggin Hill Heritage Hangar will perform a flying display at the Salute to the '40s held at The Historic Dockyard Chatham on 21st and 22nd September.

The 20 minute display at 14:30 on both days at this year's Wartime weekend, will be flown by Dan Griffith who is the Chief Pilot for the Biggin Hill Heritage Hangar and an ex-RAF Pilot.

The event will also have 1940's music and entertainment, Home Front re-enactors and civilian displays, vintage vehicles, military encampments, Spitfire and Hurricane replicas on the ground, the dockyard's own WW2 Destroyer HMS CAVALIER, plus all the galleries, ships and attractions of The Historic Dockyard.

The Biggin Hill Heritage Hangar is dedicated to the continued operation of several Supermarine Spitfires & a Hawker Hurricane.

Visit : www.thedockyard.co.uk/salutetothe40s and <http://bigginhillheritagehangar.co.uk>. Contact : Gail James at email at gjames@chdt.org.uk.

Sporting events in Antigua and Barbuda

Cricket

The England cricket team will be playing One Day Internationals against the West Indies in Antigua on 28 February and 02 and 05 March 2014.

In Antigua, cricket is played all over the island from the beaches and village greens to international matches at the Sir Vivian Richards Cricket Stadium.

Visit : www.richierichardsoncricketacademy.com.

Sailing

The Antigua Sailing Week takes place from 26 April to 02 May 2014. Visit : www.sailingweek.com.

The Caribbean Dinghy Championship takes place from 15-17 November 2013. Visit : www.caribbean-sailing.com.

The Antigua Charter Yacht Show takes place from 06-12 December 2013, a showcase of the world's most magnificent yachts and Nelson's Pursuit Race on 31 December 2013. Visit : www.antiguayachtshow.com.

Kite boarding

Antigua's Nonsuch Bay Resort offers expert tuition with kite boarding courses taking place on Green Island Reef Marine Reserve, an uninhabited island ten minutes boat ride from Nonsuch Bay. Visit : www.nonsuchbayresort.com.

Fishing

Antigua and Barbuda stages a number of tournaments including The 6th Annual Francis Nunes Jr. Memorial Fishing Tournament at Nelson's Dockyard on 28 September 2013 and the Barbuda Independence Fishing Tournament on 26-27 October 2013.

Visit : www.antiguabarbudasportfishing.com.

Hiking

Antigua's rainforest hiking tours in Walling's Dam, The Pillars of Hercules, a natural rock formation, or the first beach Columbus landed on in Carlisle Bay.

Hiking can be done with the Environmental Awareness Group or the 5 am hikers, a group that hikes every Saturday morning at 5 am.

Visit : www.eagantigua.org.

Visit : www.visitantiguabarbuda.com. Contact : Anna Wolstenholme at anna@firstpr.co.uk.

Festivals in the Yukon

The Yukon is the westernmost and smallest of Canada's three federal territories.

Yukon River Quest: Race to the Midnight Sun

The Yukon River Quest: Race to the Midnight Sun is world's longest annual canoe and kayak marathon

The 444-mile wilderness adventure paddling race is held on the Yukon River from Whitehorse to Dawson City in Canada's Yukon Territory during the last week of June (26-30 June, 2013).

It is known as the “Race to the Midnight Sun,” as paddlers race round-the-clock under a sky that never gets dark.

There are just two mandatory rest stops of 10 hours over the course of the entire event.

There are currently 66 teams registered for the 2013 race with paddlers from nine countries: Canada, United Kingdom, Japan, USA, Poland, Australia, Germany, Austria, and New Zealand.

Visit : www.yukonriverquest.com.

The Adäka Cultural Festival

The Yukon in June is the Adäka Cultural Festival (21-27 June, 2013) celebrates and showcases Yukon First Nations arts and culture.

The festival programme includes traditional and contemporary music, dance, drumming, arts and crafts, storytelling, film, artist demonstrations, workshops and cultural presentations.

Visit : www.adakafestival.ca

Other Yukon festivals include :

- The Yukon Sourdough Rendezvous
- Dawson Discovery Days
- Klondike Outhouse Races
- Yukon International Storytelling Festival Yukon Quest Dog Sled Race Frostbite Music Festival, Dawson City Music Festival.

Visit : www.travelyukon.com. Contact : Lisa Chamberlain at travelyukon.uk@btinternet.com.

A place to stay

Wynyard Hall Hotel, Tees Valley, UK

The Wynyard Hall Hotel, which is located in 150 acres of historical parkland, is to invest £4m in developing a range of attractions and initiatives.

A redevelopment of the hotels walled garden will see the establishment of a new Rose Garden containing the biggest variety of roses in Europe along with water features, statues, Italian terraces and picnic areas

There will also be the creation of a state-of-the-art cookery school with additional event space and accommodation, a grand marquee which will house up to 400 guests and a visitor centre which will include a café, farm and gift shops and a delicatessen.

Visit : www.wynyardhall.co.uk. Contact : Sarah at sarah@sortedpr.com.

The Jumeirah Port Soller Hotel & Spa, Mallorca

The Jumeirah Port Soller Hotel & Spa is located on the rugged northwest coast of Mallorca.

Built on a cliff overlooking the fishing village of Port Soller, the hotel enjoys sea views on one side, and has a back drop of the Tramuntana Mountains - recently declared a UNESCO Heritage Site - on the other.

Port Soller, a small and tranquil fishing village is known for its horseshoe bay and port in the heart of the Soller valley with its orange, lemon, and olive orchards and Sierra de Tramuntana mountain range.

Visit : www.jumeirah.com/mallorca. Contact : Shula Pannick at spannick@thecommunicationgroup.co.uk.

Morgan's Rock Hacienda and Ecolodge, Nicaragua

Eric and Carolina Poncon, the owners of Morgan's Rock Hacienda and Ecolodge, located in Playa Ocotal State, Nicaragua, have announce plans to create a second boutique lodge destination on a 5,000-acre coffee plantation in the north of the country.

The new lodge will comprise 15 guest bungalows created by regional artisans from local materials.

Morgan's Rock itself is located on a mile-long sandy beach, frequented year-round by nesting sea turtles. Nearly half of the 4,500-acre property is a government-designated reserve with the rest low-impact agricultural land and sustainable tropical forestland.

Morgan's Rock is two hours by car from Managua, the capital of Nicaragua, on the Southern Pacific Coast.

Visit : www.morgansrock.com. Contact : Sara Widness at sara@widnesspr.com.

Wilderness Safaris, Zimbabwe

Wilderness Safaris offer three of the most diverse areas in Zimbabwe on a seven nights and eight days trip with luxury accommodation throughout.

The journey begins and ends at the Victoria Falls at Davison's Camp or Little Makalolo Camp in the eastern Hwange National Park.

There's also stops at the Changa Safari Camp on the shores of Lake Kariba and Ruckomechi Camp on the Zambezi River, adjacent to Mana Pools National Park.

Visit : www.wilderness-safaris.com. Contact : Nadia Walford at nadia@grifcopr.com.

YTL Hotels

YTL Hotels owns and manages a prestigious collection of resorts, hotels and Spa Villages in Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia, China, Japan, France and the UK.

In July 2012, the company added Gaya Island Resort, a luxurious resort on the exotic tropical island of Borneo to it's portfolio and December 2012 opened The Majestic Hotel Kuala Lumpur.

Visit : www.ytlhotels.com. Contact : Hannah Summers at Hannah@grifcopr.com.

Beachcomber Hotels, Mauritius

Beachcomber Hotels has a portfolio of properties in Mauritius including :

Trou Aux Biches Resort & Spa, Mauritius

Located in the Northern region of Mauritius, Trou aux Biches sits on one of the best beaches on the island, with two kilometers of white sand.

Paradis Hotel & Golf Club, Mauritius

The Paradis Hotel with its 18 hole golf club is located at the tip of the Le Morne peninsula surrounded by 5km of chalk-like sandy beaches.

Le Canonier, Mauritius

Le Canonier is located on Cannon Point in the North West of Mauritius, and area dotted with the relics of a bygone age, including a number of cannons that used to defend the island.

Visit : www.beachcomber-hotels.com. Contact : Nicole Lovett at Nicole@grifcopr.com.

The Anantara Doha Island Resort & Spa, Qatar

The Anantara Doha Island Resort & Spa, Qatar will open in early 2014 on an island, that is a short speedboat transfer from Doha's downtown.

The new hotel joins the Anantara Hotels, Resorts & Spas portfolio, which has three properties in Abu Dhabi, UAE.

Visit : www.anantara.com. Contact : Chloe Amsden at chloe@bethcooperpr.co.uk.

Ararat Park Hyatt Moscow

Ararat Park Hyatt Moscow, is located in the heart of the city, within immediate vicinity of the Bolshoi Theatre and only a few minutes walk from the Kremlin, Red Square, the Parliament house and the central business district.

Visit : moscow.park.hyatt.com. Contact : Nadia Walford at nadia@grifcopr.com.

The Royal Horseguards', London

The Royal Horseguards' fine dining restaurant, One Twenty One Two, has been named one of the top eateries in the world by TripAdvisor users.

The restaurant, which is headed up by executive head chef Ben Purton, is known for its high quality traditional British cuisine with a European twist.

The Royal Horseguards is a five star property overlooking the River Thames at Embankment.

Visit : www.theroyalhorseguards.com. Contact : Stacey Stockwell at Stacey.Stockwell@sirecomms.com.

Amari Buriram United, Thailand

Thailand-based ONYX Hospitality Group into add the Amari Buriram United, a 60-room football themed hotel in Thailand's North Eastern province, Buriram, to its portfolio.

Buriram is well known in Thailand for its rich history and football.

The province 143 temple ruins, including the most spectacular Angkor monument in Thailand.

Amari Buriram United is one element of a project designed to establish Buriram as one of the country's top 5 tourism and sports destinations.

Visit www.onyx-hospitality.com. Contact : Natalie Schofield at natalies@hillsbalfour.com.

Travel guides

The following travel publishers will provide review copies to Alliance members.

AA Travel Guides

Visit : www.shop.theaa.com/store/travel-guides.
Katie Stephens at katie.stephens@theaa.com.

Anova Books

www.anovabooks.com. Helen Ponting at
hponting@anovabooks.co

Berlitz

www.berlitzpublishing.com.

Bradt Travel

www.bradtguides.com. Rachel Fielding at
rachel.fielding@bradtguides.com

Brit's Guide

www.foulsham.com. Margaret Lashbrook at
margaret.lashbrook@lineone.net or Sue Wilkins at
wilkins@foulsham.com.

Cicerone

www.cicerone.co.uk. Contact : Sarah Spencer at
sarah@cicerone.co.uk

Eland Publishing

www.travelbooks.co.uk. Barnaby Rogerson at
barnaby@travelbooks.co.uk.

Fisher's Travel SOS

www.fisherstravelsos.com. Furgan Syed at
furqan.syed@fisherstravelsos.com.

Global Travel Publishers

www.africa-adventure.com. Kate Bandos at
kate@ksbpromotions.com.

Globetrotters LogBook

www.globetrotterslogbook.com. Giedo Claes at
giedo@globetrotterslogbook.com

Inn House Publishing

www.innhousepublishing.com. Kathryn McWhirter at
kathrynmcwhirter@btopenworld.com.

Insight

www.insightguides.com. Julia Spence at
julia.spence@ukonline.co.uk.

In your pocket guides

www.inyourpocket.com. Craig Turp at
editor@inyourpocket.com.

Jane's Smart Art Guides

www.JanesSmartArt.com. Jane McIntosh
at MJM@JanesSmartArt.com

Jonglez Publishing

www.jonglezpublishing.com. Alexandre They at
alexandre@editionsjonglez.com.

Kuperard Publishers

www.kuperard.co.uk. Contact : Geoffrey Chesler at
geoffreychesler@btinternet.com.

Morris Communications

www.themilepost.com. Contact Kate Bandos at
kate@ksbpromotions.com.

Odyssey Books & Guides

www.odysseypublications.com. Contact : Caroline
Eden at caroline@odysseypublications.com

Oxygen Books city-lit

www.oxygenbooks.co.uk Malcom Burgess at
malcolm@oxygenbooks.co.uk

Rough Guides

www.roughguides.com. Contact :
press@roughguides.com

Summersdale travel publications

www.summersdale.com. Contact : Dean
at dean@summersdale.com.

Take two Books

www.taketwobooks.com Sarah Duvalle at
Sarah@taketwobooks.com.

Turnleft

www.turnleftguides.com Contact: Nick Buteau at
nick@turnleftguides.com

Alliance initiatives

The International Travel Writers Alliance Press Card



The Alliance introduced its press card to meet a number of specific objectives.

1 : Industry recognition

The Alliance press card provides our journalists with formal and industry-wide recognition of their status as a professional travel writer, editor, broadcaster and/or photographer.

The Alliance is the world's largest association of professional travel journalists and also has links to over 4,000 travel industry representatives worldwide.

These partners have welcomed the opportunity to work ever more closely with press card holders.

2 : Opportunities for press card holders

We are developing an ever growing number of specific opportunities for our press card holders.

The current package of opportunities for is attached as Appendix one to each issue of the Alliance's fortnightly bulletin.

In addition, Alliance press card holders receive :

- a) the card itself, formally confirming membership of the International Travel Writers Alliance
- b) the Alliance members logo for use with email signature and on websites and stationery, and
- c) membership of the Alliance Press Card Holders LinkedIn group, which enables additional networking opportunities.

The fee

The fee for the card (including all postage, packaging and taxes) is as follows :

- a one-year card : GBP45/EUR58/USD75/CAD74/AUD72
- a two-year card GBP75/EUR97/USD125/CAD124/AUD119 or
- a three-year card GBP100/EUR129/USD167/CAD165/AUD159.

When paying from outside the UK, payment can currently only be accepted via PayPal which incurs an 8% administrative cost, which will make the fee as follows:

- a one-year card : GBP49/EUR63/USD81/CAD80/AUD78
- a two-year card : GBP81/EUR105/USD135/CAD134/AUD129
- a three-year card : GBP108/EUR139/USD180/CAD178/AUD172

For more information contact : Ashley Gibbins at Ashley@itwalliance.com

The Global Travel ITWA Prepaid MasterCard

The **The International Travel Writers Alliance** has launched its **Global Travel ITWA Prepaid MasterCard**, a new initiative brought to you in partnership with *Global Currency Exchange Network*, one of the UK's leading foreign exchange companies.



The Prepaid Card is a smart and cost effective way to carry euros or dollars abroad.

Simply preload your Card then use it like a debit card to pay for goods at thousands of shops, restaurants and other outlets.

For more details and to apply for The Global Travel ITWA Prepaid MasterCard visit :

<https://itwa.gcencurrencycards.com/?r=1952>

The Alliance Syndication Network

The **Alliance Syndication Network** will be of interest to those who have online travel publications including travel websites and blogs, bulletins and newsletters etc.

The concept for the **Syndication Network** is a simple one, with each Syndicate member providing brief information on their own publication.

From then on each Syndicate member will agree to consider publishing a sentence on - and link to - features produced by other members in the Syndicate, when asked to do so.

The Alliance will publish a regularly updated **Syndication Network directory**, which will provide the information Syndicate members will need to liaise with other members.

By co-operating in this way, each Syndicate member should be able to increase the circulation of their own features considerably - and attract dedicated followers in the process.

For more information contact : Ashley Gibbins at Ashhley@itwalliance.com.

The International Travel Writers Alliance Job Shop

The **International Travel Writers Alliance Job Shop** is a developing resource of information on jobs for journalists - across the world.

It will enable the Alliance's partners to place - and journalists to receive - information on in-house jobs, special assignments or one-off projects.

Alliance journalists will be able to :

- set up **Job Alerts** so as to be notified if a job is posted that matches the journalists skills or interests
- create an anonymous job seeker profile or upload a CV for potential employers to search through, and
- access job searching tools and tips

Alliance partners will be able to :

- search the **Alliance Job Shop** CV database of qualified candidates
- manage jobs and applicant activity on the Alliance website, and
- limit applicants to those who meet your requirements

To find out more visit : www.itwalliance.com and click **Job shop**

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Katie Stephens at katie.stephens@theaa.com.

Anova Books

www.anovabooks.com. Helen Ponting at
hponting@anovabooks.co

Berlitz

www.berlitzpublishing.com.

Bradt Travel

www.bradtguides.com. Rachel Fielding at
rachel.fielding@bradtguides.com

Brit's Guide

www.foulsham.com. Margaret Lashbrook at
margaret.lashbrook@lineone.net or Sue Wilkins at
wilkins@foulsham.com.

Cicerone

www.cicerone.co.uk. Contact : Sarah Spencer at
sarah@cicerone.co.uk

Eland Publishing

www.travelbooks.co.uk. Barnaby Rogerson at
barnaby@travelbooks.co.uk.

Fisher's Travel SOS

www.fisherstravelsos.com. Furgan Syed at
furqan.syed@fisherstravelsos.com.

Global Travel Publishers

www.africa-adventure.com. Kate Bandos at
kate@ksbpromotions.com.

Globetrotters LogBook

www.globetrotterslogbook.com. Giedo Claes at
giedo@globetrotterslogbook.com

Inn House Publishing

www.innhousepublishing.com. Kathryn McWhirter at
kathrynmcwhirter@btopenworld.com.

Insight

www.insightguides.com. Julia Spence at
Julia.spence@ukonline.co.uk.

In your pocket guides

www.inyourpocket.com. Craig Turp at
editor@inyourpocket.com.

Jane's Smart Art Guides

www.JanesSmartArt.com. Jane McIntosh
at MJM@JanesSmartArt.com

Jonglez Publishing

www.jonglezpublishing.com. Alexandre They at
alexandre@editionsjonglez.com.

Kuperard Publishers

www.kuperard.co.uk. Contact : Geoffrey Chesler at
geoffreychesler@btinternet.com.

Morris Communications

www.themilepost.com. Contact Kate Bandos at
kate@ksbpromotions.com.

Odyssey Books & Guides

www.odysseypublications.com. Contact : Caroline
Eden at caroline@odysseypublications.com

Oxygen Books city-lit

www.oxygenbooks.co.uk Malcom Burgess at
malcolm@oxygenbooks.co.uk

Rough Guides

www.roughguides.com. Contact :
press@roughguides.com

Summersdale travel publications

www.summersdale.com. Contact : Dean
at dean@summersdale.com.

Take two Books

www.taketwobooks.com Sarah Duvalle at
Sarah@taketwobooks.com.

Turnleft

www.turnleftguides.com Contact: Nick Buteau at
nick@turnleftguides.com

The International Travel Writers Alliance

AllWays traveller



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www.itwalliance.com

AllWays traveller provides independent travellers with an equally independent view of the world from the professional travel journalists in the Alliance

www.allwaystraveller.com

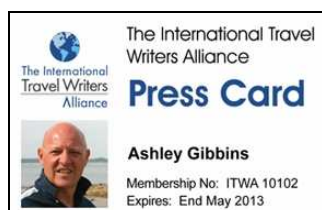
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Appendix one



The Alliance press card holders directory

June 2013



The following press trip opportunities are offered to press card holders by the Alliance's travel industry partners worldwide.

When getting in touch with the media contact in an entry, Alliance card holders should quote their press card number and be prepared to show their card if, and when, requested. Alliance partners have been requested to ask for a member's press card number.

For more information on obtaining an **International Travel Writers Alliance Press Card** contact Ashley@itwalliance.com

NB : **New entries to the directory are highlighted blue**

Opportunities A to E

- 40Berkeley, Boston
- Abbots Brae Hotel, Dunoon, Argyll, Scotland
- Adelboden, Switzerland
- Adventure Cat Sailing, San Francisco Bay
- The Aegean Suites Hotel, Skiathos, Greece
- Africa Safari Holidays
- **Ahms Resorts, Thailand**
- **Aikbank Farmhouse, Yorkshire, UK**
- Akamas Villas, West Cyprus
- **Alta Badia, Italy**
- Asa Ransom House, New York State
- Atlantic City, New Jersey
- **Audio Tours USA**
- Aurora Expeditions
- Bath Tourism Plus
- Benidorm
- Bloomington, Minnesota
- **Bon Vivant (London)**
- Bournemouth, UK
- Brandywine Valley, Pennsylvania
- Bright Consortia
- The Broadway Collection New York
- BusyBus, Liverpool & Chester – UK
- Camp Denali & North Face Lodge, Alaska
- Cannizaro House
- Captain Cook Cruises, Australia
- The Castle Inn Hotel, Lake District UK
- Champagne-Ardenne Tourisme The Charles Cotton Hotel, UK
- Charming Hotels Madeira
- Ciclismo Classico
- City Running Tours-Chicago
- **The Classic Air Force, Newquay, UK**
- **Coastline Villas, Corsica, Ibiza and Mallorca**
- Colorado
- Colorado River & Trail Expeditions
- **Coombe Abbey, Coventry, UK**
- **The Copamarina Beach Resort, Puerto Rico**
- Crans Montana, Switzerland
- DDG Retreat, Spain
- Derbyshire Country Houses, UK
- D-Hotel Maris, Maris, Turkey
- Diallo Tours, West Africa
- **Discover Walks : London, Paris, Barcelona, Rome, Prague, Lisbon, St Petersburg and San Francisco.**
- **Dom Pedro Laguna Beach, Fortaleza, Brazil**
- The DRG Retreat, Spain
- The Ebrington Arms, UK
- The Elphinstone Hotel, Scotland
- The Essex Inn, Chicago
- EUROPA-PARK, Germany
- Experience Nottinghamshire

F to J

- Finland
- Focus Hotels
- Four Pillars Hotels, UK
- Frontier Travel
- Frontiers Travel
- Generator Hostels, Europe
- Greater Miami and the Beaches, Florida
- Great Hotels of the World
- Group Travel World
- The Great Lakes USA
- The Haweswater Hotel, Cumbria UK
- Helpful Holidays, UK
- Hidden Pousadas Brazil
- Hilton Head Island, South Carolina
- Historic House Hotels, UK
- Hotel d'Europe, Avignon, France
- The Hotel Fort Canning, Singapore
- Hotel H1898, Barcelona
- **HouseTrip**
- Hungary
- Holidaylettings
- Home Base Holidays
- Home land Tours'
- The Horseshoe Inn, Scottish Borders
- The Hoste, Norfolk UK
- Independence Missouri
- The Inn on Fifth, Naples, Florida
- The InterContinental Marseille - Hotel Dieu, France
- Juneau, Alaska The Katikies Hotel and

K to O

- Kirini Suites and Spa, Santorini Greece
- Ker & Downey Botswana
- Kempinski Russia
- Kissimmee
- Knock Castle Hotel and Spa, Scotland
- Kempinski Hotels Worldwide
- **Kempinski Hotel Barbaros Bay, Turkey**
- Kempinski Gold Coast City, Ghana
- Košice, Slovakia
- La Residencia Mallorca
- Linthwaite House, Cumbria UK
- **Livigno, Italy**
- LocalGuiding, worldwide
- The Loch Melfort, Scotland
- The Lot Valley, France
- Lovelady Shield, Cumbria
- Love Loch Lomond, Scotland
- Macau, China
- **Madesimo, Italy**
- Malawi, Africa
- Mallorca Hotels: Hotel Bon Sol Resort & Spa, Hotel Tres and Hotel Dalt
- Mercy Hotel Lisboa, Lisbon
- The Montcalm at The Brewery London City
- Montes e Vales, Portugal
- The Moevenpick Resort & Spa Dead Sea
- Murada, and Hotel Mar i Vent, Mallorca
- Michael Neave Kitchen and Whisky Bar, Edinburgh
- The Marriott Paris Champs-Elysees, Paris
- Mir Corporation
- **Mohonk Mountain House, New York State**
- Myanmar (formerly Burma)
- Myrtle Beach Seaside Resorts
- Newcastle Gateshead Marriott Hotel Metrocentre
- New York Circle Line Sightseeing Cruises
- Niagara, USA
- **No.1 Traveller : Heathrow Terminal 3, Gatwick North and South Terminals, Stansted and Birmingham Airport.**
- **Norfolk Hideaways, UK**
- The Oetker Collection, Europe
- ON AIR WORLD radio
- One World Trekking
- Orient-Express Hotels
- The Otago Central Rail Trail, New Zealand

P to T

- The Palace of Versailles, France
- The Palms Hotel & Spa, South Beach, Miami
- The Pheasant Inn, Cumbria UK
- Pembrokeshire, South West Wales
- Philadelphia, PA
- Phoenix Park Bike Hire
- Pocono Mountains, Pennsylvania
- **Poole, Dorset UK**
- Pismo Beach, California
- Québec, Canada
- **Rabbie's tours (UK)**
- The Ramada Encore Hotel, Gateshead
- Ravenstone Manor, Cumbria UK
- The Renaissance Paris Arc de Triomphe, Paris
- **Reykjavik Bike Tours, Iceland**
- **Reykjavik Segway Tours, Iceland**
- Rockford, Illinois
- Rosalie Bay Resort, Dominica
- Royal Demeure luxury hotels, Italy
- The Royal Park and The Cranley, London
- Rushton Hall, Northamptonshire, UK
- Saigon Streets, China
- Sail Lofts St Ives
- Scotland's Personal Hotels
- Secret London
- Senderos (Latin America)
- **Shakespeare Country, UK**
- Shieldhill Castle Hotel, Scotland
- Silversea Cruises Sugnall Hall, Staffordshire, UK
- **South Oxfordshire, UK**
- Swaziland and Malawi
- Talbot County, Maryland USA
- The Taskonaklar Boutique Hotel, Turkey
- theExplorateur
- Three Nelson Hotels in Cheshire, UK
- Tipi Adventure, Herefordshire UK
- Tongabezi Lodge, Zambia
- Tontine Hotel
- Towan Valley, Cornwall, UK
- Truro, Cornwall, UK
- The Valley Forge, Pennsylvania

U to Z

- **Verbier, Switzerland**
- The Villa Rosa Hotel, Nairobi
- Visit Orlando
- VisitCornwall
- Visit Oxfordshire
- Visit South East England
- Wedgwood the Restaurant, Edinburgh
- Welcome to Yorkshire, UK
- Wilderness Scotland
- The West Somerset Railway
- WildJunket Magazine
- **Windsor and the Royal Borough, UK**
- www.cornwallscottages.co.uk
- the Yukon, Canada
- Zambian Dawn Safaris

40Berkeley, Boston

40Berkeley, located in the heart of Boston, is New England's largest hostel and a leading budget traveler destination on the East Coast. It is one of *HostelWorld's* forTop 10 Hostels in the US.

40Berkeley will be delighted to consider providing accommodation to Alliance press card holders able to profile the hostel in their features.

Visit : www.40Berkeley.com. Contact : Oliver Mernick-Levene at 40berkeleyhostel@gmail.com.

Abbots Brae Hotel, Dunoon, Argyll, Scotland

The Abbots Brae Hotel is a four star family hotel located In Dunoon on the Cowal Peninsula.

The award winning hotel sits in 2 acres of woodland and boasts stunning views across the River Clyde estuary.Eight spacious bedrooms are individually named after places within the Cowal Peninsula, with each room displaying photographs and the history related to the place-name.

The hotel will always be happy to hear from Alliance press card holders who are interested in writing about this part of Scotland.

Visit : www.abbotsbrae.co.uk. Contact : Colin Macpherson at info@abbotsbrae.co.uk.

Adelboden, Switzerland

Adelboden is a traditional mountain village at the end of the Engstligen valley in the Bernese Oberland region of the Swiss Alps.

From Adleboden the cable cars and ski lifts to take visitors up to some of the most spectacular Alpine scenery.

From December to early-May, Adleboden's snow covered mountain slopes are a magnet for winter sports enthusiasts.

From June to October, the mountainsides turn into a lush green tapestry of grass that carpets the area.It is then the walkers and bikers who come to Adelboden.

Adelboden will be delight to hear from Alliance press card holders on assignment.

Visit : www.adelboden.ch. Contact : Adrian Roesti at a.roesti@adelboden.ch.

Adventure Cat Sailing Charters, San Francisco

Adventure Cat Sailing Charters has a fleet of spacious catamarans that take guests on a stable, safe ride combining the exhilaration of fresh air and waves on our deck with the protection and outstanding views from our covered cabin.

It's the chance to enjoy some of the Bay's most popular attractions up close with sailings around Alcatraz Island, directly underneath the Golden Gate Bridge and back to gaze at the city's famed skyline.

There's also the chance to see pelicans, sea lions, dolphins, and even the occasional whale.

Adventure Cat Sailing Charters will be delighted to consider offering its cruises to Alliance press card holders who are able to feature the experience,

Visit : www.adventurecat.com. Contact : Sharon Schrum at sharon@adventurecat.com.

The Aegean Suites Hotel Skiathos, Greece

The Aegean Suites Hotel, Skiathos, Greece is located on a hillside among olive trees on the quiet outskirts of Skiathos town's port. It is an all-suite property overlooking the Aegean Sea.

With approximately 1,000 different types of herbs growing across Skiathos the hotel's Herb Hikes are an interesting, informative and educational as well as a good form of exercise and a chance to see some of the islands most beautiful sites.

The Aegean Suites Hotel will be happy to hear from Alliance press card holders interested in making arrangements to visit the hotel.

Visit : www.aegeansuites.com. Contact Kathryn at Kathryn@ophirpr.co.uk.

Africa Safari Holidays

Africa Safari Holidays will be happy to offer any press trip services to Alliance press card holders who are looking to travel to East Africa.

Visit : www.africasafariholidays.net. Contact : Agnes Njagi at info@africasafariholidays.net

Ahms Resorts, Thailand

Founded in 2003, the AHM hotel group comprises three fully owned resorts in Koh Samui, Phuket and Hua Hin as well as akyra Chura Samui, which is managed by the group.

Aleenta Hua Hin-Pranburi

Aleenta Hua Hin-Pranburi, the former beach house of AHMS Hotels Owner, Anchalika Kijkanakorn who turned it into Thailand's first boutique resort is located on 16km stretch of golden sands on Paknampran Beach, 20 minutes south of Hua Hin

It is known for gourmet dining sourced from its organic farm and laid-back beachfront experiences at its.

Visit : www.aleenta.com/huahin

Aleenta Phuket-Phang Nga

Sister property Aleenta Phuket-Phang Nga is located on the 20km long Natai Beach, and specialises in healthy, romantic retreats for couples, with yoga, spa, slow-food dining and a turtle release programme.

AKARYN

On Koh Samui, the AKARYN is located on the 400m-long Hanuman Bay near to Chaweng, and offers authentic gourmet food, including the 100 candles dining on the rocks experience, a reef regeneration project as well as sprawling and very private pool villa accommodation.

Visit : www.akaryn.com

akyra

The *akyra* Chura Samui Close is located on Chaweng Beach and is an adults only resort for young couples within easy reach of the island's top shopping and entertainment hotspots.

Visit : www.theakyra.com

The AHM hotel group will be delighted to consider offering accommodation to Alliance press card holders on assignment.

Contact : Lysbeth Fox at Lysbeth@foxpr.co.uk.

Aikbank Farmhouse, Yorkshire, UK

The Aikbank Farmhouse provides 5-star self-catering accommodation on the outskirts of the Lake District and the Yorkshire Dales.

Sleeping up to 10 people, the farmhouse dates back to the 18th century and is situated in 17 acres of private countryside.

Despite looking like an archetypal farmhouse from the outside, every room in Aikbank has been carefully designed and includes giant, Missoni candles and Timorous Beasties lamp bases and shades, mis-matched Mulberry voile curtains and a framed Manolo Blahnik silk scarf.

The Aikbank Farmhouse is located a 5-minute drive from junction 36 of the M6 at the foot of the Farleton fells.

The market town of Kirkby Lonsdale, the focus of the painting by J.M Turner for its charming Ruskin's View, is a 10-minute drive away.

The Aikbank Farmhouse will be delighted to consider providing accommodation to Alliance press card holders on assignment.

Visit : www.aikbank-lupton.com. Contact : Julie Darroch at julie.darroch@lakespr.co.uk.

Alta Badia, Italy

Alta Badia is a ski resort in the Dolomites of northern Italy, in the upper part of the Val Badia in South Tyrol offering a mix of skiing, scenery and gourmet food.

The climate in Alta Badia is a typical alpine microclimate with mild summers and long and cold winters.

From December to February average temperatures are below zero and night time temperatures can fall to minus 20°C. However there is an average of 100 days of sunshine between December and March is the norm.

Alta Badia will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who are interested in producing features on the region.

Visit : www.altabadia.org. Contact : Lynsey Devon at lynsey@heavenpublicity.co.uk.

Akamas Villas, West Cyprus

Launched in 2010, Akamas Villas is a luxury villa company based in West Cyprus, currently offering 40 luxury holiday-rental properties. Villas are situated in the mountainous conservation areas of Chrysochou Bay, Agarka, Polis, Latchi and Neo Chorio.

Akamas Villas will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who are able to review one or more of the Akamas Villas.

Visit : www.akamas-villas.com. Contact : Leila Stocker at leila@turtle-pr.com.

will be delighted to consider offering accommodation to Alliance press card holders on assignment.

Visit : www.aleenta.com/phuket. Contact : Lysbeth Fox at lysbeth@foxpr.co.uk.

Asa Ransom House, New York State

Asa Ransom House, which is a charming Clarence New York bed and breakfast, built in 1853, is romantic and secluded, but only 15 minutes away from Buffalo and 28 miles from Niagara Falls.

Guests enjoy glowing fireplaces in winter and spacious grounds full of herbs and flowers in the summer and can explore Buffalo, the beauty of Niagara Falls, and the charm of historic Clarence. In 2013 Asa Ransom House is featuring three day "Retreats" by Tina Tompkins Ames from February through October

Asa Ransom House will be delighted to consider requests for accommodation from Alliance press card holders who are on assignment and able to feature the establishment.

Visit : www.asaransom.com. Contact : Bob Lenz at info@asaransom.com.

Atlantic City, New Jersey

From New Jersey's tallest lighthouse to deep sea fishing, and everything in between, you can always find exciting things to do in Atlantic City.

Relaxing at one of the Atlantic City casino spas, the excitement of 24/7 gaming, the thrill of a royal flush or finding a new pair of shoes, the sand in between your toes or visiting one of the many attractions – whatever your pleasure, it is always more pleasurable in AC.

Atlantic City attractions and activities include antique shops, museums and cultural attractions, piers and arcades, an aquarium and much more and culture and history including Atlantic City Historical Museum and Art Center on Garden Pier, the Absecon Lighthouse and the Atlantic City Aquarium.

The Atlantic City Convention & Visitors Authority will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who are able to feature the city.

Visit : www.atlanticcitynj.com. Contact : Greg Evans at g.p.evans@btinternet.com.

Audio Tours USA

Boston / Chicago / New York / Philadelphia / San Francisco / Washington DC

Audio Tours USA will be happy to provide complimentary MP3-based or app-based (iOS or Android) audio tours to Alliance press card holders.

Each tour contains 20-25 audio tracks highlighting the top sites and attractions in a given US city. The average track is 5-6 minutes.

The apps also incorporate photo's, location based functions, and all the information you need including hours of operation, prices, phone numbers & website address.

The tours were professionally prepared by travel experts and narrated by a radio show host. The tours provides the background and history to each site which makes the visit more interesting and meaningful.

The sites highlighted include iconic landmarks, historical sites, nature spots, sport venues, recreation areas, famous buildings, and top museums. The tours can be used in advance or as you visit.

Visit : www.bvtours.com. Contact : Shani Kaplan at contact.bvtours@gmail.com

Aurora Expeditions

Aurora Expeditions is an Australian-owned adventure company specialising in Expedition cruises to wild and remote places.

In its quest to seek destinations that push the boundaries of travel, Aurora has purposely kept the number of participants on each departure small, allowing more intimate encounters with wildlife and cultures, and lessening its impact on the regions visited.

Each voyage is led by a team of expert naturalists, geologists, historians, staff and crew who help to unlock the wonders of these special places with the use of flexible, innovative itineraries.

Aurora Expeditions will be delighted to consider providing Alliance press card holders with trips for review purposes.

Visit : www.auroraexpeditions.com.au. Contact : Fiona Twyford at fiona@auroraexpeditions.com.au.

Bath Tourism Plus

Bath Tourism Plus will host press visits for Alliance press card holders to the Georgian and UNESCO World Heritage city of Bath.

Visit : www.visitbath.co.uk. Contact : Audra McSherry at audra_mcsherry@bathtourism.co.uk

Benidorm, Spain

Benidorm is a coastal resort on the Costa Blanca in the province of Alicante, Valencia, Spain.

With its unique microclimate, Benidorm is the perfect all year-round resort with a wide range of accommodation to suit all tastes and budgets from 5* resort hotels to campsites.

The Visit Benidorm Tourist Board will be delighted to consider press requests from Alliance press card holders.

Visit www.en.visitbenidorm.es. Contact Cathryn Hicks at cathryn@douggoodmanpr.com for more information.

Bloomington, Minnesota

With a beautiful location on the banks of the Minnesota River, the city of Bloomington has much to offer travellers.

It is home to the world-famous Mall of America® and the Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge, Water Park of America and an extensive system of hiking and biking trails.

Another popular Bloomington destination is the Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge, spanning 14,000 acres, with miles of hiking and biking trails, prime bird-watching opportunities, and an extensive visitors center.

Bloomington Tourism will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who are able to feature the state.

Visit : www.bloomingtonmn.org. Contact : Fiona Pettitt at fiona@cellet.co.uk.

Bon Vivant (London)

Bon Vivant, which is London's premier concierge service, advises on and arranges every travel, lifestyle and leisure need.

The Bon Vivant personal concierge will arrange holidays, recommend and book restaurants and bars, source tickets for the theatre, concerts and VIP events, and advise on a range of lifestyle services.

Bon Vivant will be delighted to hear from Alliance members in London on assignment who can profile the service.

Visit : www.bonvivant.co.uk Contact : Emyr Thomas info@bonvivant.co.uk.

Bournemouth, UK

Bournemouth in the county of Dorset on the south coast of England is one of the UK's most popular destination for tourists and a regional centre for leisure, entertainment, culture and recreation.

Bournemouth Tourism will be happy to hear from Alliance press card holders who are able to feature the destination..

Visit : www.bournemouth.co.uk. Contact : Sheron Crossman at Sheron.Crossman@Bournemouth.gov.uk.

Brandywine Valley, Pennsylvania

The Brandywine Valley is located in Chester County, the home to Longwood Gardens, the inspiration of Pierre S. du Pont. Other du Pont attractions include Hagley, Neumours and Winterthur.

Three generations of the famed artistic Wyeth family were inspired by the region and the Brandywine River Museum houses the work of N.C., Andrew and Jamie Wyeth among other American artists.

Media giant QVC is headquartered in Chester County, producing 24-hour broadcasts and offering behind-the-scenes studio tours. Local wineries have flourished and the Brandywine Valley Wine Trail features tours, tastings, special events and more. And that's only half the story!

The Brandywine Valley will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who are able to feature the area.

Visit : www.brandywinevalley.com Contact: Greg Evans g.p.evans@btinternet.com

The Bright Consortia

Bright is a group of 14 specialist tour operators, cruise companies, tourist boards etc that provide training to independent local agents through a series of workshop dinners across the UK.

Bright will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who work with the travel trade press.

Visit : www.brightconsortia.com. Contact Doug Goodman doug@douggoodmanpr.com.

The Broadway Collection New York

The Broadway Collection New York, a group of 24 new and classic Broadway musicals, will host Alliance press card holders with a commission.

Visit : www.broadwaycollection.com. Contact : Della Tully at Della.Tully@btinternet.com

BusyBus, Liverpool & Chester, UK

Sightseeing tour BusyBus, will host Alliance press card holders (with a guest) on a review basis.
Visit: www.busybus.co.uk. Contact : Vera de Ruiten: vera@busybus.co.uk

Camp Denali & North Face Lodge, Alaska

Camp Denali & North Face Lodge are two wilderness lodges located in the center of Denali National Park, Alaska.

The two lodges have been family owned and operated for over sixty years and offer unparalleled views of Mt. McKinley, exquisite food, a welcoming atmosphere, and guided hikes and outings led by knowledgeable naturalist guides.

Camp Denali & North Face Lodge will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who are able to feature the lodges and would like review the accommodations.

Visit : www.campdenali.com. Contact: Katherine Schake at katherine@campdenali.com.

Cannizaro House, Wimbledon UK

Cannizaro House is a 300 year old Georgian mansion located 16km from central London in 34 acres of parkland.

All of its forty-six bedrooms have been individually designed and benefit from recently refurbished bathrooms complete with rain showers.

The property has undergone a £3million renovation with the highlight being The Orangerie, an al fresco conservatory offering Mediterranean artisan cuisine.

Its award-winning restaurant serves European dishes and during summer months al fresco dining can be enjoyed on its large terrace.

Cannizaro House will be delighted to consider providing accommodation of Alliance press card holders on assignment.

Visit : www.cannizarohouse.com. Contact : Lysbeth Fox at lysbeth@foxpr.co.uk.

Captain Cook Cruises, Australia

Captain Cook Cruises operates a fleet of 16 vessels and offers a choice of over 150 cruises weekly throughout Australia and Fiji.

These range from the Great Barrier Reef to the islands of Fiji, from the bays and beaches of Sydney Harbour to the outback vastness of the Murray River basin.

Captain Cook Cruises is a family-owned, Australian 'small ship' cruise operator and the recipient of numerous awards including :

- Australian, New South Wales, Tropical North Queensland and South Australian 'Tourism Awards for Excellence'
- Fiji Visitors Bureau 'Best Cruise Line', and
- the Australian Federation of Travel Agents 'Best Cruise Line'.

Captain Cook Cruises will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who would like to review and feature their cruises

Visit : www.captaincook.com.au. Contact : Brooke Tolar at pr@captaincook.com.au

The Castle Inn Hotel, Lake District UK

The Castle Inn Hotel is a four star family hotel located in the northern Lake District. The property offers large spacious rooms and is situated just moments from Lake Bassenthwaite and close to Skiddaw, one of the area's most popular peaks.

The Castle Inn is always happy to hear from Alliance press card holders who are interested in stories about the Lake District.

Visit : www.castleinncumbria.co.uk. Contact : Samantha Marsh at samantha@infinitypublicrelations.co.uk

Champagne-Ardenne Tourisme

Champagne-Ardenne Tourisme is four French departments boasting historic sites and châteaux, walking and cycling routes, a variety of sports, superb natural scenery and Champagne will be pleased to consider press visits for Alliance press card holders.

Visit : www.champagne-ardenne-tourism.co.uk. Contact: Doug Goodman at doug@douggoodmanpr.com

Charles Cotton Hotel, Hartington, Derbyshire, UK

For over 275 years the hotel has been welcoming customers through its doors. It is a world-renowned destination for anyone who loves walking and fishing and outdoor pursuits.

There are very strong links with fishing, in particular, given that the hotel is named after one of the authors of *The Compleat Angler*, Charles Cotton, which he co-wrote with his very good friend Sir Izaak Walton.

Charles Cotton was born at Beresford Hall, less than 3 miles from Hartington, which was set high above Beresford Dale.

Unfortunately, over centuries the hall fell into disrepair and all that remains of Charles's birthplace is a tower, which stands just to the east of where the hall once stood.

Alliance press card holders able to review are welcome to stay at the hotel and explore dales that you can walk to from the hotel; there is also fishing available for those who may wish to review for sporting magazines.

Visit : www.charlescotton.co.uk. Contact : Simon Turton at simon@operapr.com.

Charming Hotels Madeira

The Portuguese-owned group Charming Hotels Madeira has a luxurious collection of boutique hotels, which are lovingly restored Manor Houses, traditional from Madeira and known as "Quintas".

Charming Hotels will be pleased to offer Alliance press card holders special rates on accommodation.

Visit: www.charminghotelsmadeira.com. Contact: Antonio Silva at asilva@charminghotelsmadeira.com

The Classic Air Force at Newquay - Cornwall Airport, UK

The Classic Aircraft Trust preserves a unique collection of airworthy aircraft of the UK's post-war era.

These exhibits, with the exception of a DC3, are all British aircraft from the 1950's and 1960's, both military and commercial. These include the de Havilland Dragon Rapide and Dove, Vampire and Meteor, and just arrived, a BAC 1-11.

This Classic Air Force, is housed in its own 'living museum' at Newquay Aerohub, in Cornwall.

Entrance is free to Alliance press card holders and their families and it may be possible to also organise a flight in one of the historic aircraft.

Visit : www.classicairforce.com. Contact : Malcolm Ginsberg at malcolm@ginsberg.co.uk.

Coastline Villas, Corsica, Ibiza and Mallorca

Coastline offers luxury villas on the islands of Corsica, Ibiza and Mallorca.

The portfolio comprises 30 villas from romantic retreats to sprawling family farmhouses, with some by the sea and others high on hillsides and privacy a main feature.

Coastline will be delighted to consider offering accommodation to Alliance press card holders able to feature one or more of its properties.

Visit : www.coastline.co.uk. Contact : Lynsey Devon at lynsey@heavenpublicity.co.uk.

Colorado

The US state of Colorado is a four-season destination offering world-class adventure and recreational pursuits, a thriving arts scene, a rich cultural heritage, flavorful cuisine, and renowned ski resort areas.

The state's breathtaking natural landscape boasts natural hot springs, hundreds of lakes and rivers, 10 national parks and monuments and 54 mountain peaks that top 14,000 feet.

The Colorado Tourism Office will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who are able to feature the state.

Visit : www.colorado.com. Contact : Fiona Pettitt at fiona@cellet.co.uk.

Colorado River & Trail Expeditions

Colorado River & Trail Expeditions (CRATE) was founded in 1971 and specializes in deluxe multi-day rafting expeditions with an emphasis on off-river exploration.

The company originally started on the Colorado River in the Grand Canyon, but today operates throughout Utah and Canyonlands National Park on the Green and Colorado Rivers and Alaska and Canada on the Tatshenshini and Alsek Rivers.

Colorado River & Trail Expeditions will be delighted to consider providing Alliance press card holders with trips for review purposes.

Visit www.crateinc.com. Contact : Walker Mackay at walkmin@crateinc.com.

Ciclismo Classico

Ciclismo Classico will consider offering tours to Alliance press card holders with a commission.

Ciclismo Classico is a specialised "boutique" tour operator that offers authentic and exciting cycling vacations.

Its well-crafted educational trips in Italy, France, Spain, Austria and New England are active immersions into local art, language, music and, of course, delicious cuisine.

Visit : www.ciclismoclassico.com. Contact : Adam York at adam@sublimepub.com

City Running Tours-Chicago

City Running Tours-Chicago will give free 5k running or walking tours to Alliance press card holders.

Visit : www.cityrunningtours.com/chicago. Contact : Marlin Keesler at marlin@cityrunningtours.com

Coombe Abbey Hotel, Coventry, UK

Originally build in the 12th century as a Cistercian Abbey, Coombe Abbey has been restored to its former glory and has retains many of its original features.

Set in 500 acres of parkland overlooking formal gardens created by Capability Brown, the property is suited to a short break, wedding or conference – or even a medieval banquet!

Coombe Abbey will be delighted will be delighted to consider requests for accommodation from Alliance press card holders on a suitable assignment.

Visit : www.coombeabbey.com. Contact : Bernice Saltzer at bernice@sortedpr.com.

The Copamarina Beach Resort, Puerto Rico

The Copamarina Beach Resort, located on Puerto Rico's south-western coast, is a landscaped 20-acre tropical resort with a sandy beach fronting the Caribbean Sea.

Copamarina Beach Resort has 106 guest rooms with either a garden or sea view, two suites and two villas in a romantic, private setting.

Guests have full use of the beach, two swimming pools, jacuzzis, tennis courts, fitness centre and the Bodyderm Spa.

The Copamarina Beach Resort, which is a member of Great Hotels of the World, will be delighted to consider providing accommodation to Alliance press card holders on assignment.

Visit : www.copamarina.com and www.ghotw.com. Contact : Ashleigh Silverman at asilverman@ghotw.com.

Crans Montana, Switzerland

Crans-Montana is a Alpine ski resort in south western Switzerland, in Valais canton.

Located on a plateau in the Valais region of Switzerland, Crans-Montana enjoys spectacular views stretching from the Matterhorn to Mont Blanc.

It is in the sunniest region of the Alps and enjoys more than 300 days of sunshine each year. The Plaine Morte glacier, at an altitude of 3,000 meters and accessible by cable car, provides some of the most challenging runs and one of the longest pistes at 12km.

Crans Montana will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders able to feature the resort.

Visit : www.crans-montana.ch. Contact : Katrina Blunden at katrina@insightsmc.com.

DDG Retreat, Spain

The DDG Retreat is located on the coast of Costa del Sol, 500 meters above the sea just outside one of the most picturesque Pueblo Blanco - Casares.

The village of Casares, which is located 14 kilometres from the bustling and cosmopolitan Costa del Sol, offers the visitor the most authentic character of those mountain villages that have preserved an ambience of quieter times.

Andalucia offers :

- eight hundred kilometres of coastline
- over three hundred days of sunshine a year
- two national parks, whales, orcas and dolphins
- the largest number of protected natural areas in Spain
- an historic and artistic heritage unique in the world,
- towns with local festivities all twelve months of the year, and
- a cuisine which features top quality produce.

The DDG Retreat will be delighted will be delighted to consider requests for accommodation from Alliance press card holders on a suitable assignment.

Visit : www.ddgretreat.com. Contact : Teresa Thomason at teresa@teresathomason.com.

Derbyshire Country Houses, UK

Derbyshire Country Houses owns 3 listed halls, which are available for private and corporate use.

- Lea Hall was the early childhood home of Florence Nightingale
- Harthill Hall dates back to the 1200s, and
- Riber Hall offers 11 self-catering apartments that cater for adults only.

All have been very tastefully restored and are very much at the higher end of the market.

Derbyshire Country Houses will be delighted to consider requests for accommodation from Alliance press card holders on a suitable assignment.

Visit : www.derbyshirecountryhouses.com. Contact : Simon Turton at simon@operapr.com.

D-Hotel Maris, Maris, Turkey

The five star D-Hotel Maris enjoys a cliff top location in a conservation area on the Datca Peninsula with views over the sea and small islands.

It has 200 rooms, five beaches and its own desert island. The popular resort of Marmaris is 35 km and Dalaman Airport 125 km away. The nearby mountain village of Bayır is best known for its ancient plane tree that stands in the main village square next to the mosque and is said to be 2300 – 2500 years old.

The D-Hotel Maris will be delighted to consider offering accommodation to Alliance press card holders on assignment.

Visit : www.dhotel.com.tr/en. Contact : Lysbeth Fox at lysbeth@foxpr.co.uk

Diallo Tours, West Africa

Diallo Tours are located in Mbour, Senegal, West Africa, which is the region's most vibrant fishing centre and is located approximately 84km from Dakar, the capital of Senegal.

Situated at the most western tip of West Africa, Senegal and its border sharing neighbour, the Gambia, provide a gateway to discover and explore Africa.

Daillo Tours will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders on assignment.

Visit : www.diallotours.com. Contact : Abdoulaye at info@diallotours.com.

Discover Walks : London, Paris, Barcelona, Rome, Prague, Lisbon, St Petersburg and San Francisco

Discover Walks offers fascinating walking tours of London, Paris, Barcelona, Rome, Prague, Lisbon, St Petersburg and San Francisco.

The off-the-tourist-path tours and activities are led by natives of each city and are designed to be flexible and to get below the surface of each destination.

Discover Walks will be delighted to provide Alliance press card holders with a tour of one of their cities.

Visit : www.discoverwalks.com. Contact : Alexandre Gourevitch at alexg@discoverwalks.com.

Dom Pedro Laguna Beach, Fortaleza, Brazil

The Dom Pedro Laguna Beach Villas & Golf Resort enjoys a beachfront location on the Aquiraz Riviera, Fortaleza, Brazil

The resort offers a golf course, watersports, fitness centre, massage treatments and numerous dining options.

Located 40 minutes from Fortaleza, the capital of the northern Brazilian state of Ceara, Dom Pedro Laguna is set within a 300 hectare ecological resort and leisure complex with 2km of coastline and year-round temperate weather thanks to its proximity to the equator.

The Dom Pedro Laguna Beach, which is a member of Great Hotels of the World, will be delighted to consider providing accommodation to Alliance press card holders on assignment.

Visit : www.dompedro.com and www.ghotw.com. Contact : Ashleigh Silverman at asilverman@ghotw.com.

The Ebrington Arms, UK

The Ebrington Arms is a 17th Century inn in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty in the rolling hills of the Cotswolds at Ebrington near Chipping Campden, Gloucestershire.

This Cotswold country pub offering award-winning food (awarded 2 rosettes by The Michelin Guide) and ales (winner of the CAMRA North Cotswolds Pub of the Year 3 times in a row) will be delighted to consider offering review accommodation on a case by case basis.

Visit : www.theebringtonarms.co.uk. Contact : Anna Sharp at anna@asharppr.com.

The Elphinstone Hotel, Biggar, Scotland

Situated in the centre of Biggar, thirty miles outside of Edinburgh, the Elphinstone Hotel is a traditional and charming Coaching Inn, with a history going back over 400 years.

The Elphinstone Hotel will be delighted to consider hosting Alliance press card holders able to review.

Visit : www.elphinstonehotel.co.uk. Contact : Su Hesketh at su@crimsonedge.co.uk.

The Essex Inn, Chicago

The Essex Inn has a fine location on Michigan Avenue, in the heart of downtown Chicago, minutes from Chicago's finest attractions.

It provides excellent accommodations and free extras including free shuttle around downtown, rooftop pool, fitness centre and free wireless internet.

The Essex Inn will be delighted to consider requests for accommodation from Alliance press card holders who are on assignment and able to feature the establishment.

Visit : www.essexinn.com. Contact : Fiona Pettitt at fiona@cellet.co.uk.

EUROPA-PARK

EUROPA-PARK, which is Germany's biggest theme park, located in the tri-border region of Germany, France and Switzerland, offers guests more than 100 attractions and international shows in 13 European themed areas, over 90 hectares.

EUROPA-PARK will be delighted to offer complimentary entrance press card holders plus one other where they have a written commission and on presentation of the card.

Visit : www.europapark.com. Contact : presse@europapark.com.

Experience Nottinghamshire

Experience Nottinghamshire invites Alliance press card holders to visit Robin Hood country. There will be the chance to see the Major Oak in Sherwood Forest, try your hand at archery, visit England's oldest pub and meet Robin Hood himself on a special guided tour.

Website: www.experiencenottinghamshire.com/robin-hood. Contact: Erin Huckle at erin.huckle@experiencenottinghamshire.com

Finland

Located between East and West, with snowy winters and warm, light-filled summers, Finland offers a number of fascinating contrasts.

Its unspoilt forests, as well as its thousands of islands and lakes, offer plenty of opportunities for visitors to enjoy beautiful natural surroundings.

The Finns are also considered to be cool – a bit quiet and reserved. However, they are actually warm, friendly, hospitable and especially honest people once you get to know them.

Visit Finland, the Finnish Tourist Board will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who are interested in feature the country.

Visit : www.visitfinland.com. Contact : Henri Anundi at henri.anundi@visitfinland.com.

Focus Hotels

Focus Hotels invite Alliance press card holders to review their three and four-star properties located in key destinations across the UK.

Visit : www.focushotels.co.uk. Contact : Nat Frogley at nat@bacall.net

Four Pillars Hotels, UK

Four Pillars Hotels is an independent company, which currently operates six predominantly four star hotels in Oxfordshire and Gloucestershire and the Cotswolds.

- **Tortworth Court Four Pillars Hotel** This four-star is a stately Victorian country hotel located in 30 acres of landscaped grounds 18 miles north of Bristol in South Gloucestershire. The hotel has its own arboretum housing over 300 rare and exotic trees.
- **Cotswold Water Park Four Pillars Hotel** This contemporary four-star hotel is situated in a lakeside setting in a 55-acre conservation parkland area in The Cotswolds.
- **Oxford Spires Four Pillars Hotel** This four-star hotel is located half a mile from the centre of the city in 40 acres of protected parkland. This French Renaissance-style chateau houses the Rothschild Collection of art treasures and a fine Victorian garden with a Roccoco style aviary.
- **Oxford Thames Four Pillars Hotel** This four-star hotel is housed partly within historic medieval buildings three miles from the centre of Oxford in 30 acres of parkland leading down to the River Thames.

The four-star Oxford Witney Four Pillars Hotel is located close to the market town of Witney. The Cotswold Wildlife Park is nearby.

Four Pillars Hotels will be delighted to consider providing Alliance press card holders with accommodation for review purposes.

Visit : www.four-pillars.co.uk. Contact : Lucy Mayes at lucy@humewhitehead.co.uk.

Frontier Travel

Frontier Travel organise tailor-made holidays to Canada in both Summer and Winter.

The company will consider offering individual press trips for Alliance press card holders who can get commissions from UK national newspapers, websites or high end publications with large circulations.

Visit : www.frontier-canada.co.uk and www.frontier-ski.co.uk. Contact: Sandra Potter at sandrapotter@frontier-travel.co.uk.

Frontiers Travel

Frontiers Travel will consider offering tours to Alliance press card holders on assignment. Frontiers Travel specialise in the finest worldwide fly fishing and shooting destinations.

Visit : www.frontierstravel.com. Contact : Adam York at adam@sublimepub.com

Generator Hostels

Generator is Europe's fastest growing hostel brand. With nearly 4,000 beds across six properties, the award-winning group's portfolio will increase to eight and more than 5,200 beds in 2013 with two new hostels opening in Barcelona (March) and Berlin Mitte (May).

Generator will achieve one million bed nights across its design-led properties located in Berlin, Copenhagen, Dublin, Hamburg, London and Venice. Guests can book instantly using the company's award-winning iPhone app as well as via the main website.

Generator Hostels will be delighted to consider offering review accommodation to Alliance press card holders.

Visit : www.generatorhostels.com. Contact : Suzanne Seyghal at Suzanne.Seyghal@generatorhostels.com

Greater Miami and the Beaches, Florida

Greater Miami and the Beaches consists of a diverse group of neighborhoods.

Vibrant and contrasting areas – from ocean resort towns to the urban core, planned suburbs to pristine rural land, complemented by villages rooted in history – are woven into Miami's fascinating and diverse tapestry.

The Greater Miami Convention & Visitors Bureau is an independent not-for-profit sales and marketing organization whose mission is to attract visitors to Greater Miami and the Beaches for leisure, business and conventions.

The Greater Miami Convention & Visitors Bureau will be delighted to consider press trips for Alliance press card holders on assignment.

Visit : www.miamiandbeaches.com. Contact : Lois Kettlewell at Lois.Kettlewell@fourcommunications.com.

Great Hotels of the World

Great Hotels of the World offers an unrivalled collection of the best 4 and 5 star luxury hotels and resorts.

Each hotel is selected for its dedication to the highest standards of luxury, unique sophistication, surroundings and innovative facilities.

Great Hotels of the World will be delighted to consider providing Alliance press card holders with accommodation for review purposes.

Visit : www.ghotw.com. Contact : Ashleigh Silverman at asilverman@ghotw.com.

The Great Lakes USA

The Great Lakes is the largest expanse of freshwater in the world with a unique and diverse landscape.

This region which is the size of continental Europe includes the U.S. states of Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, Wisconsin and Indiana with its capital city of Indianapolis.

Great Lakes USA will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who are able to feature the region.

Visit : www.greatlakesnorthamerica.co.uk. Contact : Fiona Pettitt at fiona@cellet.co.uk.

Group Travel World

Group Travel World is the best selling magazine for organisers of group travel in Europe. To read a sample issue online : www.grouptravelworld.com/sample-issue

Alliance press card holders can receive a hard copy of *Group Travel World*, by post (anywhere in the world). Print subscribers also get online access to the magazine.

Those interested should email Harley Denham with name card number and full postal address.

Visit : www.grouptravelworld.com. Harley Denham at Harley.Denham@grouptravelworld.com.

The Haweswater Hotel, Cumbria UK

The Haweswater Hotel, an art-deco hotel located next to the secluded Haweswater Reservoir, Cumbria, UK, will be happy to consider offering accommodation to Alliance press card holders.

Visit : www.haweswaterhotel.com. Contact : Samantha Marsh at samantha@infinitypublicrelations.co.uk

Helpful Holidays, UK

Helpful Holidays, UK will consider offering accommodation to Alliance press card holders with a commission from suitable media.

Visit: www.helpfulholidays.com. Contact: Pat Edgar at PRMatters@dsl.pipex.com

Hertz car hire

tx247 is the partner of Hertz car hire and the Hertz Golf and Drive initiative.

Hertz car hire, the world's leading vehicle renting organisation, operates from more than 8,500 locations in 150 countries worldwide.

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Contact : Alexander Graham at alexgraham@tx247.co.uk.

Hg2 city guides

The Hg2 city guide series has launched its new mobile applications available for iPhone, iPad and iPad mini.

The apps covering 49 cities and ski resorts are individually downloadable and provide an insider's guide to hotels, restaurants, bars, clubs, shops, sights and spas.

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Cities covered to date include :

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Berlin	Istanbul	Moscow	Tokyo
Beirut	Johannesburg	Mumbai	Toronto
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Hg2 will be delighted to offer its city guide apps free to Alliance press card holders who are able to review the app.

Visit : www.hg2.com. Contact : Marilyn MacDonald at marilyn@hg2.com

Hidden Pousadas Brazil

Hidden Pousadas offers independent travellers recommendations for uniquely beautiful places to visit and stay in Brazil.

Alliance press card holders with commissions for Brazil can enquire about staying at Pousadas within the special collection, outside of high season.

Visit : www.hiddenpousadasbrazil.com. Contact : Fola Odumosu at folo@hiddenpousadasbrazil.com

Hilton Head Golf Island, South Carolina

Golf enthusiasts can find over 30 world-class quality golf courses on the Hilton Head Golf Island, many of which have been sculpted by golf course architects as Robert Trent Jones Sr., Pete Dye and Jack Nicklaus.

Hilton Head Island itself is a Low country resort town located on an island of the same name in Beaufort County, South Carolina, USA, 20 miles north of Savannah, Georgia and 95 miles south of Charleston.

Alliance press card holders are invited to request a round or two when able to feature the facilities on Hilton Head Golf Island.

Visit : www.hiltonheadgolfisland.com. Contact : Glenn Gray at ggray@buffalocommunications.com.

The Historic House Hotels, UK

The Historic House Hotels comprise :

- Bodysgallen Hall in North Wales
- Hartwell House in Aylesbury, and
- Middlethorpe Hall in York.

Each building is at least 300 years old.

In 2008 the group was gifted to the National Trust, by donation, to ensure their long-term protection and with all profits benefiting the houses and the charity.

Historic House Hotels will be delighted to consider requests for accommodation from Alliance press card holders on a suitable assignment.

Visit : www.historichousehotels.com. Contact : Alison Buxton at alison.buxton@gmail.com.

Holidaylettings

Holiday Lettings offers a range of traditional and unique villas, cottages and apartments worldwide and will consider arranging accommodation at its listed properties for Alliance press card holders.

Visit : www.holidaylettings.co.uk. Contact: Emilie and Kate on press@holidaylettings.co.uk

Home Base Holidays

Home Base Holidays is pleased to offer one year complimentary home exchange membership to Alliance press card holders on assignment to cover home swap or budget holiday ideas.

Visit : www.homebase-hols.com. Contact : Lois Sealey at info@homebase-hols.com

Home land Tours', Israel

Home land Tours' provide small group and individual tours for those looking to strengthen their faith by visiting the land that is key to a deeper understanding of the Word of God.

All of its guides are licensed by the Ministry of Tourism and are very knowledgeable professionals and specialise in :

- Historical, Heritage and Cultural Tours of Israel
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- Bible College Study Groups
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Visit : www.home-land-tours.com. Contact : Ofer at ofer@home-land-tours.com.

The Horseshoe Inn, Scottish Borders

The Horseshoe Inn is situated in a former blacksmiths shop in Eddleston within the picturesque Scottish Borders, five miles north of Peebles.

It has an award-winning fine dining restaurant, a bar and bistro as well as eight individually decorated bedrooms within the Lodge, a former Victorian primary school.

The Horseshoe Inn will be delighted to consider hosting Alliance press card holders able to review.

Visit : www.horseshoeinn.co.uk. Contact : Su Hesketh at su@crimsonedge.co.uk.

The Hoste, Norfolk UK

The Hoste is a four star boutique retreat located in Nelson's county and surrounded by countryside, unspoilt coastline, acclaimed nature reserves, picturesque villages and historic market towns.

A little more than a two hour's drive from London, this collection of hotels and luxury cottages with its two AA rosette restaurant and beauty spa, is located in one of Norfolk's loveliest villages, Burnham Market.

The Hoste will be delighted to consider offering accommodation to Alliance press card holders for review purposes.

Visit : www.thehoste.com. Contact :Kate at kate@thehoste.com.

Hotel d'Europe, Avignon, France

Hotel d'Europe, one of the oldest hotels in the world, is located in the centre of Avignon, a vibrant city with a relaxed cafe culture and intriguing history.

Dating back to 1799, this historical hotel has a gourmet restaurant and range of luxurious rooms and suites, most of which have views of the romantic streets of Provence.

The city's medieval bridge – immortalised in the children's rhyme Sur le Pont d'Avignon – is well worth visiting, and only five minutes' walk from the hotel. The Palace of the Popes – built in the 14th Century when the Catholic Church split briefly from Rome – is another attraction.

The Hotel d'Europe exudes an old-world charm and elegance in the heart of one of the most beautiful areas of France – truly the finest deluxe destination in Provence.

The Hotel d'Europe, a Great Hotel of the World, will be delighted to consider requests for accommodation from Alliance press card holders on a suitable assignment.

Visit : <http://www.ghotw.com/hotel/home/heurope.htm>. Contact : Ashleigh Silverman at asilverman@ghotw.com.

Hotel H1898, Barcelona, Spain

Hotel H1898, from Nuñez i Navarro Hotels Collection, has been placed in the top 10 Hotels in Barcelona by the Global Review Index.

Located in central Barcelona, Hotel 1898 is within walking distance of Boqueria Market, Las Ramblas, and Placa de Catalunya. Nearby points of interest also include Barcelona Cathedral and Gran Teatre del Liceu. Hotel Features.

The hotel will be happy to host Alliance press card holders who are producing features about about Barcelona.

Visit : www.hotel1898.com. Contact : pr@orbyce.com.

The Hotel Fort Canning, Singapore

The Hotel Fort Canning, which forms part of Fort Canning Park - an historical landmark in the heart of Singapore, will be delighted to consider hosting Alliance press card holders on assignment.

Once used as a base for the British Far East Command pre/post World War II in Singapore, the Hotel Fort Canning has been restored and re-opened as a chic boutique hotel with 86 rooms and suites, two restaurants and a THANN Spa.

Visit : www.hfcsingapore.com. Contact : Karen Luard at kp@KPcommunications.co.uk.

HouseTrip

HouseTrip, which is one of the world's largest holiday rental booking sites, offers self catering holiday rentals, which are available to book with the owners direct.

The HouseTrip portfolio has over 170,000 properties in hundreds of destinations worldwide, ranging from country cottages and spacious villas with private swimming pools to city centre apartment. It caters for those looking to rent entire house, apartment, castle or boat and then to live like a local.

HouseTrip will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders on assignment. The company has specific criteria, which they will discuss on an individual basis

Visit : www.housetrip.com. Contact : Ryan Levitt at rlevitt@housetrip.com.

Hungary

Hungary is located in Central Europe and bordered by Austria, Slovakia, Ukraine, Romania, Serbia, Croatia and Slovenia. It is a popular tourist destinations, with Budapest, its capital, regarded as one of the most beautiful in the world.

Despite its relatively small size, the country is home to many World Heritage Sites, UNESCO Biosphere reserves, the second largest thermal lake in the world (Lake Hévíz), the largest lake in Central Europe (Lake Balaton) and the largest natural grassland in Europe (Hortobágy).

Hungarian Tourism will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders able to feature the country.

Visit : www.gotohungary.com. Contact : Karin Jones at media@gotohungary.co.uk.

Independence Missouri

Independence Missouri is happy to work with Alliance press card holders on assignment and will consider lodging, food and admission to attractions and will create customized itineraries.

Visit : www.visitindependence.com. Contact : Janeen Aggen at janeena@sbcglobal.net.

Indianapolis, Indiana

Indianapolis - the Circle City has it all. An artificial city laid down on the swampy marshes of a non-navigable river, Indy should have been a sleepy, small-town state capital.

Today two downtown landmarks, Monument Circle and Indiana War Memorial Plaza, are among America's great urban spaces. With a diverse roster of residential areas, from downtown's quaint Lockerbie Square to its retro Fountain Square to funky Broad Ripple not far away, Indy feels like home.

While famous for fast cars, Indianapolis is winning praise for reinventing the bicycle and pedestrian experience and the city enjoys a rich African-American legacy and unique local cuisine linked to history and cherished traditions

Visit : www.visitindy.com. Contact : Morgan Greenlee at MGreenlee@visitindy.com.

The Inn on Fifth, Naples, Florida

The Inn on Fifth is a luxurious, 87-room boutique hotel in the heart of downtown Naples in Southwest Florida will be delighted to consider accommodations for Alliance press card holders on assignment.

In December 2012, the Inn opened an additional 32 new club level suites.

Visit : www.innonfifth.com. Contact : Katharina Lane at katharina@hayworthcreative.com

The InterContinental Marseille - Hotel Dieu, France

The InterContinental Marseille - Hotel Dieu overlooks the Vieux Port, in the oldest district in Marseille known as the Panier.

Marseille is the vibrant capital of Provence and the hotel is housed in a listed historical monument dating back to the 18th century. Nearby the Calanques have been designated a Unesco World Heritage site.

The InterContinental Marseille - Hotel Dieu, France will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who are in Marseille and able to review the hotel.

Visit : www.ihg.com/intercontinental/hotels/gb/en/marseille/mrsha/hoteldetail . Contact : Self Lucy at lucyself@hors-norme.com.

Juneau, Alaska

Juneau, Alaska's scenic capital city, has cosmopolitan charm and rich history combined with the stunning wilderness of the Tongass National Forest and the bountiful waters of the Inside Passage.

Juneau is Southeast Alaska's hub with convenient air and ferry service to Inside Passage communities and to Glacier Bay National Park, Seattle (only 2 hours) and Anchorage.

Visitors can :

- enjoy Alaska's most accessible glacier
- fly over the Juneau Icefield
- discover the State Museum
- gaze at humpback and orca whales
- take a glacier cruise
- tour a historic gold mine
- ride the Mount Roberts Tram
- savour fresh Alaskan seafood
- shop downtown galleries, and
- catch salmon and watch sea lions, seals, eagles and bears.

Juneau also has a thriving arts community with a local symphony, two major state wide music festivals, an award-winning theatre and countless local artists.

The Juneau Convention and Visitors Bureau will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who are able to feature the city.

Visit : www.traveljuneau.com. Contact : Elizabeth Arnett at elizabeth.arnett@traveljuneau.com.

The Katikies Hotel and Kirini Suites and Spa, Santorini, Greece

Santorini is an island in the southern Aegean Sea, about 200 km (120 mi) southeast of the Greek mainland. It is the largest island of a small, circular archipelago and forms the southernmost member of the Cyclades group of islands

The Katikies Hotel

Located 300ft up on the cliffs of the village of Oia, Katikies is a free form architectural property of stairs, bridges, cubist cottages and views over the island's volcanic basin.

In the evenings, the Katikies Dinner restaurant has four tables suspended on a rooftop veranda on the volcano's rim.

Kirini

Located on the edge of the village of Oia, the Kirini Suites and Spa has been newly renovated for 2013, all of which look out over the Caldera and the Aegean.

The Katikies Hotel and Kirini will be delighted to consider offering accommodation to Alliance press card holders with a 'high end' assignment.

Visit : www.katikieshotelsantorini.com and www.kirini.com. Contact : Aaron Moore at aaron.moore@mediacofss.com.

Kempinski Hotels worldwide

Hoteliers since 1897, Kempinski has travelled the world in search of the most fascinating destinations without ever forgetting the finest traditions of its European heritage.

With luxury holiday resorts, business and Spa hotels around the world, every Kempinski Hotel is unique, designed for guests who value five star holidays and luxury getaways.

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Visit: www.kempinski.com. Contact: Hilary Philpott at hilary.philpott@kempinski.com

Kempinski Barbaros Bay, Turkey

Kempinski Hotel Barbaros Bay, Turkey is now offering guests an adult only silent beach with no background music, no motor boats, no phone conversations and no children.

Therapists from the resorts spa are also on hand to provide al fresco spa treatments on the beach. Located on its own private bay on the Aegean Coast of Turkey, Kempinski Hotel Barbaros Bay is made up of 24 suites and 149 rooms, each with their own view of the sea.

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Visit : www.kempinski.com/bodrum. Contact: Hilary Philpott at hilary.philpott@kempinski.com.

Kempinski Gold Coast City, Accra, Ghana

The five-star Kempinski Hotel Gold Coast City, is set to open early 2013, next to the Accra International Conference Centre, State House and National Theatre.

The hotel is the centrepiece of Accra Gold Coast City, a new downtown for the capital.

The Kempinski Hotel Gold Coast City will be delighted to consider press visits for Alliance press card holders on a case-by case basis.

Visit : www.kempinski.com/accra. Contact Kathryn Peel at kathryn@ophirpr.co.uk.

Kempinski Hotels in Russia

St Petersburg

The Kempinski Hotel Moika 22 is located in a charming and historical area, in the very heart of St Petersburg, on the Moika River, opposite the renowned Hermitage Museum and Palace Square. The Hotel is just two minutes walk from the Nevsky Prospect and close to all major sights and shopping.

Moscow

The 5 star Hotel Baltshug Kempinski Moscow offers the best views of the Kremlin. Located in the heart of Moscow.

Gelendzhik

The Kempinski Grand Hotel Gelendzhik, is a new luxury resort and congress hotel on the Black Sea coast of Russia.

Kempinski will be pleased to consider providing accommodation to International Travel Writers Alliance press card holders on a case-by-case basis.

Visit: www.kempinski.com. Contact: Hilary Philpott at hilary.philpott@kempinski.com.

Kissimmee

Kissimmee, a short drive south of Orlando, puts visitors right in the middle of all the areas attractions including Walt Disney World®, Universal Orlando® and SeaWorld® Orlando.

There is also the chance to go flying across the water on a thrilling airboat ride and discover a world alive with tropical birds, turtles and legendary alligators.

Travel to Old Town or tour the brick-lined streets of Celebration, where colorful restaurants offer a variety of dining options and unique shopping possibilities.

The Kissimmee Convention and Visitors Bureau will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who are able to feature the area.

Visit : www.visitkissimmee.com. Contact : Fiona Pettitt at fiona@cellet.co.uk.

Ker & Downey Botswana

Ker & Downey Botswana, located in the heart of the Okavango Delta and Moremi Game Reserve, will be pleased to consider press visits to Alliance press card holders with a commission.

Visit : www.kerdowneybotswana.com. Contact : Honour Schram de Jong at honour@honourway.com

KOŠICE – Tourism, Slovakia

Košice, the second largest city in Slovakia, is situated on the river Hornád at the eastern reaches of the Slovak Ore Mountains, near the border with Hungary.

The city has a well preserved historical centre with heritage protected buildings in Gothic, Renaissance, Baroque, and Art Nouveau styles and the St. Elisabeth Cathedral, Slovakia's largest church.

KOŠICE - Tourism, the official tourist authority for the Košice, will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who are interested in visiting the city on assignment.

Visit : www.visitkosice.eu. Contact : Ivana Takacsova at ivana.takacsova@visitkosice.eu.

La Residencia Mallorca

La Residencia, Mallorca will consider offering one or two night's bed and breakfast accommodation from mid September-May to Alliance press card holders with a commission.

Visit : www.laresidencia.com. Contact : Louise Davis at louise.davis@laresidencia.com

Linthwaite House Hotel, Lake Windemere, Cumbria, UK

Located on 14 acres of peaceful, picturesque grounds and overlooking Lake Windemere, Linthwaite House is a luxury hotel in the Lake District.

The hotel's grounds are perfect for a peaceful stroll and trout fishing is available in the estate's own tarn.

Linthwaite House will be delighted to consider hosting Alliance press card holders able to review.

Visit : www.linthwaitehousehotel.com. Contact : Su Hesketh at su@crimsonedge.co.uk.

Livigno, Italy

Located in the Lombardy region of the Italian Alps, Livigno has been awarded the title of Best European Resort at the 2012 World Snow Awards.

The resort offer great skiing with carnival in February a highlight of the ski season.

Summer in Livigno offers a range of activities to the slopes with cycling being a particularly popular activity.

Livigno will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who are interested in producing features on the region.

Visit : www.livigno.eu. Contact : Lynsey Devon at lynsey@heavenpublicity.co.uk.

LocalGuiding

LocalGuiding is an online service connecting travellers with independent, local tour guides in destinations worldwide. It currently has guides in over 500 destinations in 100 countries worldwide - and is recruiting new guides all the time.

LocalGuiding has tour guides in :

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Austria	Czech Republic	Jamaica	Philippines	Thailand
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Barbados	Ecuador	Jordan	Portugal	Tunisia
Belarus	Egypt	Kazakhstan	Puerto Rico	Turkey
Belgium	England	Kenya	Republic of	Uganda
Belize	Estonia	Kyrgyzstan	Serbia	Ukraine
Bhutan	Ethiopia	Latvia	Romania	United Arab
Bolivia	France	Lithuania	Russia	Emirates
Bosnia and	Georgia	Malawi	Saint Kitts and	USA
Herzegovina	Germany	Malaysia	Nevis	Uruguay
Botswana	Greece	Malta	Scotland	Uzbekistan
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Bulgaria	Honduras	Mexico	Slovakia South	Vietnam
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Canada	Hungary	Morocco	South Korea	Zimbabwe
Chile	Iceland	Myanmar	Spain	

LocalGuiding will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders looking for a local tour guide in the destinations it covers.

Visit : www.LocalGuiding.com. Contact : Robert Blessing at rb@localguiding.com.

Loch Melfort Hotel, Argyll, Scotland

The Loch Melfort is a family run hotel on the coast of Argyll, set in the Scottish West Highlands. All rooms have sea views over Asknish Bay towards Jura, Shuna and Scarba.

The Asknish Bay Restaurant has been awarded two Rosettes by the AA every year since 2000.

The Loch Melfort will be delighted to consider hosting Alliance press card holders able to review.

Visit : www.lochmelfort.co.uk/. Contact : Su Hesketh at su@crimsonedge.co.uk.

The Lot Valley, France

The Lot Valley comprises the Départements through which the river Lot flows are, from its source, Lozère, Cantal, Aveyron, Lot and Lot-et-Garonne.

In 1980, the five local government bodies set up an organisation called l'Entente to coordinate and run Lot Valley development. Its task: to continue the economic, environmental, tourist and hydraulic development of the Valley.

An ambitious economic development programme covering waterway tourism and the valorisation of the environment fixed the major objectives : to facilitate the growth of a new tourist destination, while preserving the environment.

After 40 years of hard work the Lot Valley is on the point of becoming a prime tourist.

l'Entente will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders able to feature this region.

Visit : www.valleedulot.com. Contact : Stephanie Khaou at lotvalley1@gmail.com.

Lovelady Shield, Cumbria, UK

Lovelady Shield is an elegant Georgian Country House Hotel near Alston, Cumbria. It stands on the site of a former 13th century convent on the banks of the River Nent and within secluded gardens and un-spoilt countryside.

The hotel can also act as a base from which to visit the UK's Lake District, Hadrian's Wall, the North Pennines, Durham Cathedral and the Yorkshire Dales.

The hotel has 2 rosette awards from the AA , and their restaurant provides elegant surroundings in which to enjoy the award winning cuisine prepared by our Master Chef, Barrie Garton.

Lovelady Shield will be delighted to consider hosting Alliance press card holders able to review.

Visit : www.lovelady.co.uk. Contact : Su Hesketh at su@crimsonedge.co.uk.

Love Loch Lomond, Scotland

Love Loch Lomond is a group of tourism operators passionate about the Loch Lomond and Clyde Sea Lochs area will be delighted to host press visits for Alliance press card holders as well as to offer a range of story ideas and activities.

Visit: www.lovelochlomond.com. Contact: Johanna Campbell at Johanna@johannacampbell.com.

Macau

Macau, which is a Special Administrative Region of China since 1999, is located on China's south coast, 40 miles from Hong Kong.

It enjoys a Portuguese-Chinese heritage and, in 2013, celebrates the 500th anniversary since the arrival of the Portuguese in Macau in the 16th century.

The destination's distinctive blend of cultures is reflected in the Historic Centre of Macau, a UNESCO World Heritage Site comprised of over 20 historic Sino-Portuguese buildings.

East-meets-West flavours are incorporated in Macanese cuisine, which features influences from Portugal, China, South America, Africa, India and Malaysia.

Macau also hosts a wealth of colourful events and festivals including :

- the Macau International Fireworks Display Contest, one of the biggest of its kind in the world, and
- the Macau Grand Prix, when tourists and locals will line the streets creating a party atmosphere as both cars and motorcycles separately race on one of the most demanding circuits in the world.

Macau Tourism will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who are on assignment and able to feature the destination.

Visit : www.macautourism.gov.mo. Contact : Sarah Habicht at Sarah@humewhitehead.co.uk.

Madesimo, Italy

Madesimo is a classic mountain ski resort typical of the Italian Alpine region with the 'ski-holiday' launched by the Italian Touring Club in the resort in 1911.

Surrounded by mountains and Alpine landscapes, Madesimo is a summer and winter destination and convenient for popular tourist destinations like Lake Como and St. Moritz.

Madesimo will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders able to feature this region.

Visit : www.visitmadesimo.it. Contact : Lynsey Devon at lynsey@heavenpublicity.co.uk.

Malawi, Africa

Malawi is the 'warm heart of Africa' offering a combination of lake, landscape, wildlife and culture in one of Africa's most beautiful and compact countries.

Malawi Travel Marketing Consortium is a partnership organisation of Malawi's travel and tourism industry including accommodation providers, tour and safari companies, car hire and air charter firms.

The Malawi Travel Marketing Consortium will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders.

Visit: www.malawitourism.com. Contact : Mr Kelly White at enquiries@malawitourism.com

Mallorca Hotels: Hotel Bon Sol Resort & Spa, Hotel Tres and Hotel Dalt Murada, and Hotel Mar i Vent, Mallorca

Mallorca Hotels will be pleased to offer accommodation to Alliance press card holders with a commission for city breaks to Palma and spa & yoga, cycling, walking, hiking, cultural on the island.

Visit : www.hotelbonsol.es, www.hoteltres.com, www.daltmurada.com and www.hotelmarivent.com.

Contact : Cathryn Hicks at cathryn@douggoodmanpr.com.

The Marriott Paris Champs-Elysees, Paris

The Marriott Paris Champs-Elysees, the only five-star hotel on the Champs-Elysees, will be happy to offer accommodation to Alliance press card holders who are in the city on an assignment.

Visit: www.parismarriott.com. Contact: Bernice Saltzer at bernice@sortedpr.com

The Mercy Hotel Lisboa, Lisbon

The Mercy Hotel Lisboa is a new 5* boutique luxury property located on Mercy Street, between the Chiado and Bairro Alto districts of Lisbon.

It offers the ideal base for leisure and business guests with easy access to the city and excellent facilities right on the doorstep.

Several cultural highlights, as well as excellent dining, shopping and nightlife are within easy walking distance of the hotel.

The Hotel Mercy would be pleased to consider press requests from Alliance press card holders with a commission.

Visit : www.mercyhotel.com. Contact : Cathryn Hicks at cathryn@douggoodmanpr.com

Michael Neave Kitchen and Whisky Bar, Edinburgh, Scotland

Michael Neave Kitchen and Whisky Bar has recently opened on Old Fishmarket Close in the heart of Edinburgh's old town. It is the first acquisition by the young chef who has worked with talented chefs from The Bonham and the Amber restaurant in the Scotch Whisky Experience.

Michael Neave Kitchen and Whisky Bar will be delighted to consider hosting Alliance press card holders able to review.

Visit : www.michaelneave.co.uk. Contact : Su Hesketh at su@crimsonedge.co.uk.

Mir Corporation

Mir Corporation will consider offering tours to Alliance press card holders on assignment. Mir Corporation is a well-established tour-operator specialising in tours to Russia, the Trans-Siberian Railroad and tours to Central Asia.

Visit : www.mircorp.com. Contact : Adam York at adam@sublimepub.com

Mohonk Mountain House, New York State

Mohonk Mountain House is a National Historic Landmark resort and Historic Hotel of America located in New York's Hudson Valley, 90 miles north of New York City.

Owned and operated by the Smiley Family since its founding in 1869, the resort has been welcoming guests in a beautiful natural setting for 144 years.

The Victorian castle resort has been named the Number One Resort Spa in the United States in *Condé Nast Traveler's Readers' Choice Awards*.

Year-round recreation includes a spectacular Skating Pavilion, rock climbing, and 85 miles of trails for seasonal hiking, mountain biking, snowshoeing, and cross-country skiing. The grounds feature gardens, a nine-hole golf course, tennis courts, and stables for horseback riding and horse-drawn carriage rides.

Over 40 theme programs are presented annually, including culinary classes, gardening workshops, music festivals and nature programs.

The Mohonk Mountain House will be delighted to consider hosting Alliance press card holders with an appropriate commission.

Visit : www.mohonk.com. Contact : Laura Koster at lkoster@btcmarketing.com.

The Montcalm at The Brewery London City

The Montcalm at The Brewery London City is situated in the heart of The City of London.

The grade II listed building has been restored into a luxury five star hotel, whilst preserving the heritage values being conveniently located by the Barbican and in-between Liverpool Street and Moorgate stations.

Formerly the site of Whitbread & Co, Britain's first purpose-built mass production brewery, the original building dates back from as early at 1750 when Samuel Whitbread moved his brewing operations to Chiswell Street on the 'eastern rim of Georgian London'.

The hotel offers acclaimed English cuisine at The Chiswell Street Dining Rooms and traditional British fayre at the gourmet gastropub are offered at The Montcalm at The Brewery London City.

The Moutncalm will be delighted to consider offering accommodation to Alliance press card holders.

Visit : www.themontcalmlondoncity.co.uk. Contact : Lysbeth Fox at lysbeth@foxpr.co.uk.

Montes e Vales - cultural and activity tours in Portugal.

Portugal is among the oldest countries in Europe with the same boundaries since 1297, an impressive medieval heritage and in the Douro Valley the oldest wine demarcated region in the world.

Montes e Vales provides visitors with the chance to to learn more about Portuguese wine, food and history during easy walks or biking tours.

Montes e Vales will be delighted to consider offering Alliance press card holders a tour for review purposes.

Visit : www.walkinginportugal.com. Contact : David Monteiro at info@walkinginportugal.com.

The Moevenpick Resort & Spa Dead Sea

The Moevenpick Resort & Spa Dead Sea is located on the shore of the Dead Sea in Jordan - a peaceful area with renowned health benefits.

Many visitors flock to Jordan to float in the Dead Sea, and the benefits of the high-salt content mean that the water is extremely calming and healing, offering the ultimate relaxation therapy.

The resort has 346 rooms and suites which have been tastefully decorated to ensure that all guests have a comfortable stay. There is also a Zara spa - one of the largest in the Middle East, which provides a wide variety of treatments to relax the mind, body and soul.

The Moevenpick Resort & Spa Dead Sea, a Great Hotel of the World, will be delighted to consider requests for accommodation from Alliance press card holders on a suitable assignment.

Visit : www.ghotw.com/hotel/home/moevenpick-dead-sea.htm. Contact : Ashleigh Silverman at asilverman@ghotw.com.

Myanmar (formerly known as Burma)

Myanmar, formerly known as Burma, has emerged from decades of military rule, and the South-East Asia nation is moving towards democracy and opening up economically.

With 28-day tourist visas, improved foreign exchange services, and new destinations and accommodations, Myanmar is now easier than ever to visit.

Slow Burma Travel

Slow Burma Travel is a small tour operator in Myanmar, organizing tailor-made, personalized trips throughout Myanmar.

Established in 2010, and respecting the wishes of democracy leader, Nobel Prize laureate Ang San Suu Kyi, Slow Burma Travel offers individual, family and small group trips the heartland of Myanmar, as well as more off-the-beaten-track places.

Working with locals, communities, ethnic minorities, Buddhist monasteries and NGOs, Slow Burma Travel provides deep insights into Myanmar, authentic experiences away from the tourist hordes, and moments of wonder in this long-forgotten world.

Among the trips organized include colonial heritage tours of downtown Yangon's buildings, up-country tours in search of writer George Orwell, mountain biking adventures in Shan state, and China-Myanmar trips for Tai Chi practitioners from around the world.

Alliance press card holders are invited to contact Slow Burma Travel for information and advice about travel in Myanmar. In mid-late 2013 Slow Burma Travel will be offering media familiarization trips, in association with the Myanmar tourism industry.

Visit : www.burma-travel.info and www.visit-myanmar.info. Contact : Keith Lyons at keithalyons@gmail.com.

Myrtle Beach Seaside Resorts, South Carolina, USA

Myrtle Beach Seaside Resorts is a collection of six oceanfront and ocean view condo-hotels in North Myrtle Beach and Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

Avista Resort, Prince Resort, Horizon at 77th, Grande Shores, Seaside and the Towers at North Myrtle Beach all provide the comforts of full-service resort hotels with the space and luxury of condominiums.

Each property features modern décor that reflects a coastal lifestyle and views of the pristine northern region of the Grand Strand.

Most hotels have fitness centers, an array of indoor and outdoor pools, on-site dining and access to world-class beaches.

Alliance press card holders are welcome to request a stay at Myrtle Beach Seaside Resorts when able to feature the collection of properties.

Visit: www.myrtlebeachseasideresorts.com. Contact: Jane Milbrandt at jmilbrandt@buffalocommunications.com.

Newcastle Gateshead Marriott Hotel Metrocentre

Newcastle Gateshead Marriott Hotel Metrocentre has completed a £500,000 refurbishment to its leisure facilities.

The hotel, which is next to the Metrocentre, the biggest shopping centre in Europe, will be happy to host Alliance press card holders who would like to visit the North East of the UK.

Visit : www.marriott.co.uk/hotels/travel/nclgh-newcastle-gateshead-marriott-hotel-metrocentre
Contact : Bernice Saltzer at bernice@SortedPR.com.

New York Circle Line Sightseeing Cruises

New York Circle Line Sightseeing Cruises will be delighted to host Alliance press card holders with a commission.

Visit: www.circleline42.com. Contact: Lisa Chamberlain at lisa.chamberlain@btinternet.com

Niagara, USA

The Niagara Tourism & Convention Corporation (NTCC) promotes the county as a premier destination for meetings, events, conventions, and leisure tourism by generating individual and group visitation.

Niagara Falls comprises the American Falls, Bridal Veil Falls and Horseshoe Falls. The historic village of Lewiston was the site of the first battle of the War of 1812 and the last stop for slaves escaping to freedom on the Underground Railroad.

The original Flight of Five locks that were built in 1840 still exist along the Erie Canal in Lockport. Surrounded by water, Niagara USA is also a fishing destination in and on Lake Ontario, Niagara River and Erie Canal.

The NTCC will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who are interested in doing a story on Niagara Falls or Niagara USA.

Visit : www.niagara-usa.com. Contact : MichelleBlackley at michelle@niagara-usa.com

No.1 Traveller : Heathrow Terminal 3, Gatwick North and South Terminals, Stansted and Birmingham Airport

No.1 Traveller works with airlines, businesses and individuals to offer a convenient and comfortable service to take the stress out of going to and through airports.

It offers smart chauffeur-driven airport transfers and stylish 'pay-as-you-go' airport lounges (a complete 'driveway to runway' service)

No.1 Traveller operates at Heathrow Terminal 3, Gatwick North and South Terminals, Stansted and Birmingham Airport.

No.1 Traveller is happy to offer a 50% discount rate for all International Travel Writers Alliance Press Card holders.

Those interested should contact : Charlie Spencer at Charlie.Spencer@No1Traveller.com, when wishing to make a booking with :

- Full name (as it appears on your passport)
- Flight date / time
- Flight number
- Which airport / terminal

Visit : No1Traveller.com. Contact : Charlie Spencer at Charlie.Spencer@No1Traveller.com.

Norfolk Hideaways

Norfolk Hideaways, which is a holiday cottage/self-catering holiday company with 200 coastal cottages in North Norfolk, will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders on assignment. Press trips are available and subject to dates and availability.

Visit : www.norfolkhideaways.co.uk. Contact : Danielle Howard at danielle@junglepr.com.

The Oetker Collection - Masterpiece Hotels

The Oetker Collection - Masterpiece Hotels are one-of-a-kind, five-star hotels individually designed, with a unique character and distinctive atmosphere.

They are situated in some of the world's most appealing locations, such as Antibes, Baden-Baden, Marrakesh, Paris and Vence.

The Oetker Collection will be pleased to consider offering accommodation to Alliance press card holders.

Visit : www.oetkercollection.com. Contact : Julia Perowne at jp@verypcc.com

ON AIR WORLD radio

ON AIR WORLD radio is broadcast across many radio stations in Australia with programmes available for broadcast on community and other radio stations worldwide.

Its radio travel features highlight the best things to do and see in various cities and regions around the world.

ON AIR WORLD radio is pleased to invite Alliance press card holders to supply audio interviews.

The station cannot pay for features, at this stage, but believes it could give card holders exposure to world radio networks.

The format :

Intro : *This is on air world travel radio, this week broadcasting from (location) ... This is (reporter name) and we are here with (guest name) from (attraction/location name).*

Technical :

Interviews can be recorded on Iphones or similar devices in MP3 format and would need to be recorded at 44.1 khz quality 16 bit preferable.

The interview :

Include website of attraction/facility at end when thanking the guest and mention the www.onairworld.com website for all the links.

Electronic stores have good quality external mics with windscreens at around 30 quid.

The station will edit the feature, add music and remove umm and ahhs, breaths, etc.

Card holders should also provide *ON AIR WORLD radio* an image in a jpeg format and a brief bio for its presenters page.

Visit : www.onairworld.com. Contact : Geoff Harrison at worldtvinternational@gmail.com.

One World Trekking

One World Trekking has been a leader in Worldwide Adventure Travel with two decades of experience in creating and guiding unique trekking and hiking itineraries across the globe.

It offers small group trekking trips and adventure tours throughout the great Himalayan kingdoms of Nepal, Bhutan, Ladakh, Tibet, Sikkim, the Karakoram and to Eastern Europe, Africa and South America.

One World Trekking will be delighted to consider providing Alliance press card holders with trips for review purposes. To hear one programme, which has over 4000 downloads per week, visit : www.travelradioaustralia.com.

Visit : www.oneworldtrekking.com. Contact : Andy Crisconi at andy.crisconi@oneworldtrekking.com.

Orient-Express Hotels

Orient-Express Hotels is a luxury hotel company and adventure travel operator which began offering luxury travel experiences since 1976, when it purchased Hotel Cipriani in Venice.

Shortly after the company recreated the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express, linking London, Paris and Venice, along with other European cities.

Today the Orient-Express Hotels brand embraces 46 hotel, cruise and luxury rail businesses in 22 countries, including distinctive properties including :

- Hotel Cipriani in Venice
- Grand Hotel Europe in St Petersburg
- Hotel Ritz Madrid
- Mount Nelson Hotel in Cape Town
- Copacabana Palace in Rio de Janeiro, and
- Maroma Resort and Spa on Mexico's Riviera Maya

The Company also Orient-Express Hotels luxury tourist trains, three river cruise operations and one of New York's most iconic restaurants.

Orient-Express Hotels will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who are assignment and able to feature one or more of its hotels. Requests considered on a case-by-case basis.

Visit : www.orient-express.com. Contact : Emily Wilson at emily.wilson@orient-express.com.

The Otago Central Rail Trail, New Zealand

The Otago Central Rail Trail is a 150-kilometre walking, cycling and horse riding track in the South Island of New Zealand.

The trail runs in an arc between Middlemarch and Clyde, along the route of the former Otago Central Railway, and has become a popular tourist attraction.

It's the chance to discover an untamed, natural environment, Otago's harsh and daring past, and the early engineering feats of the pioneers.

The Trail was the first rail trail in New Zealand and it's success encouraged John Key, the NZ Prime Minister, to establish further Trails throughout NZ.

The Otago Central Rail Trail will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who do a lot of cycling or walking and who could feature the Trail.

Visit : www.otagocentrailtrail.co.nz. Contact : Edward Fox at edwardfox@orcon.net.nz.

The Palace of Versailles, France

The Château de Versailles, which has been on UNESCO's World Heritage List for 30 years, is one of the most beautiful achievements of 18th-century French art.

The site began as Louis XIII's hunting lodge before his son Louis XIV transformed and expanded it, moving the court and government of France to Versailles in 1682. Each of the three French kings who lived there until the French Revolution added improvements to make it more beautiful.

Alliance press card holders can get free admission to the Château de Versailles and its grand gardens.

Visit : www.en.chateauversailles.fr. Contact : Talon at 1dad1kid@gmail.com.

The Palms Hotel & Spa, Miami Beach, FL

Just minutes from the heart of South Beach, with a city-block of grounds and a pristine stretch of white sandy beach, The Palms Hotel & Spa originally opened as the Sea Isle Hotel in 1939.

It was purchased by its current owners, the Krause Family, in 1989, renovated and re-opened as The Miami Beach Ocean Resort in the summer of 1992.

In the following years, the family continued to modernize and re-position the property, culminating in a 2010 re-launch as The Palms Hotel & Spa. The AAA Four Diamond property is now part of the exclusive collection of Preferred Hotels & Resorts, and one of few independently owned and operated full-service hotels on the beach.

The Palms will be delighted to consider requests for accommodation from Alliance press card holders on a suitable assignment.

Visit : www.thepalmshotel.com. Contact : Vanessa Lopez at VLopez@thepalmshotel.com.

Pembrokeshire, South West Wales

Pembrokeshire, South Wales will be delighted to consider offering accommodation to Alliance press card holders with a commission in suitable media.

Visit : www.pembrokeshire.com. Contact: Pat Edgar PRMatters@dsl.pipex.com

The Pheasant Inn, the Lake District UK

Located at the bottom of Sale Fell and close to Bassenthwaite Lake, the Pheasant Inn dates back to the 17th century and was the haunt of huntsman John Peel.

It is situated at the unspoilt northern end of the Lake District, within easy reach of Keswick and Cockermouth. The hotel bar, one of the most well known bars in the Lake District, is full of local character and characters some of whom are very knowledgeable and opinionated!

The Pheasant Inn will be delighted to consider hosting Alliance press card holders able to review.

Visit : www.the-pheasant.co.uk. Contact : Su Hesketh at su@crimsonedge.co.uk.

Philadelphia

Philadelphia might be known as the birthplace of American democracy, but you'll find it's an ideal destination to explore its colorful neighborhoods, learn more about its rich history and delve into its spectacular sites and attractions.

Philly has all the excitement of big-city life with a quaint, hometown feel.

The Philadelphia Convention & Visitors Bureau will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who are able to feature the city.

Visit : www.discoverPHL.com. Contact : Greg Evans at g.p.evans@btinternet.com.

Phoenix Park Bike Hire, Dublin, Ireland

Phoenix Park in Dublin has 20km of cycle paths and over 1750 acres of parkland to explore.

Located right at the entrance to the Park, Phoenix Park Bike Hire is a cost effective, healthy and enjoyable way to see attractions in the park and all that Dublin city has to offer.

Many thousands of extra visitors are expected to choose Ireland in 2013 for The Gathering.

Phoenix Park Bike Hire will be delighted to offer its bike hire to Alliance press card holders.

Visit : www.phoenixparkbikerehire.com and www.thegatheringireland.com. Contact : Anna Sharp at anna@asharppr.com.

Pismo Beach, California

Pismo Beach is located on California's famous Central Coast, half way between San Francisco and Los Angeles along the scenic Pacific Coast Highway and Highway 101.

This classic California beach town offers long white beaches for taking a pleasant stroll or for just enjoying the spectacular views of a Pismo Beach sunset.

Visitors also enjoy great weather year round, fabulous local wineries, golfing, riding the dunes in a four-wheel ATV on California's only drive-on beach, horseback riding, surfing, body boarding, and fishing from the historic 1200-foot Pismo Beach Pier.

The Pismo Beach Conference & Visitors Bureau will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who are interested in featuring this destination.

For more information, please visit www.ClassicCalifornia.com, or contact Suzen Brasile at sbrasile@pismoeach.org.

The Pocono Mountains, Pennsylvania

The Pocono Mountains region is 2,400 square miles of mountains, lakes, rivers, waterfalls and woodlands in Northeastern Pennsylvania.

The four-county region offers year round outdoor recreation, seasonal festivals and fairs, lavish spas and fine dining. The Pocono Mountains is two hours from both Philadelphia and New York City.

The Pocono Mountains Visitors Bureau will be delighted to consider press trip requests from Alliance press cardholders.

Visit : www.800poconos.com. Contact : Elizabeth A. Richardson at Erichardson@poconos.org.

Poole, Dorset UK

Poole in the county of Dorset is a large coastal town and seaport on the English south coast.

Poole is an area of great natural beauty and a prime tourist resort, attracting visitors with its stunning natural harbour, history and Blue Flag beaches.

Poole Tourism will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders able to review this coastal resort.

Visit : www.pooletourism.com. Contact : Michelle Holland at m.holland@pooletourism.com.

Québec, Canada

Québec is a unique land in North America. Unique for its geography, its history and its culture, which together have forged its bold and exuberant identity.

The region is multi-faceted geography, diverse landscapes, vegetation and climate and a rich history spanning five centuries, from colonial regime to the present-day challenge of maintaining the cultural vitality of this culture in North America!

Summer, fall, winter and spring: the contrasting seasons bring this vast territory to life, offering you four spectacular opportunities to discover the many faces of Québec!

Destination Québec will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who are able to feature the area.

Visit : www.bonjourquebec.com. Contact : Caroline Corfield-Rose at caroline@corecommunications.co.uk.

Rabbie's tours (UK)

Rabbie's provides small group tours departing from Edinburgh, Glasgow, Dublin and London.

These cover :

- the Scottish Highlands and Islands
- northern Britain, including the Lake District and York
- the heart of England
- northern Wales, and
- Devon and Cornwall.

Rabbie's will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders interested in a press review of its tours.

Visit : www.rabbies.com. Contact : Andrea McCallum at andrea.mccallum@freshwater-uk.com.

The Ramada Encore Hotel, Gateshead, UK

The Ramada Encore Hotel, Gateshead is located minutes from the historic Newcastle Quayside, on the banks of the river Tyne, and within walking distance of restaurants, bars, theatres, art galleries and attractions, including :

- the Baltic Centre of Contemporary Art
- Gateshead Millennium Bridge, and
- the Metro Radio Arena.

The Ramada Encore Hotel, Gateshead will be happy to host Alliance press card holders on assignment.

Visit : www.ramada.co.uk. Contact : Bernice Saltzer at bernice@sortedpr.com.

Ravenstone Manor, Keswick, Cumbria UK

Ravenstone Manor is a family run hotel situated just a short drive from the market town of Keswick in the Lake District.

Overlooking Bassenthwaite Lake, and set against the backdrop of Skiddaw, Ravenstone Manor provides guests with a vantage point to fully appreciate the beauty of the Lake District.

The grounds of the Hotel are a great start for many walks for any ability; a short amble through Dodd Wood looking for Ospreys nesting or the odd deer to a hike to the summit of Skiddaw.

Ravenstone Manor will be delighted to consider hosting Alliance press card holders able to review.

Visit : www.ravenstonemanor.co.uk. Contact : Su Hesketh at su@crimsonedge.co.uk.

The Renaissance Paris Arc de Triomphe, Paris

The five-star Renaissance Paris Arc de Triomphe designed by Christian de Portzamparc, is just a few steps away from the famous landmark and Champs-Élysées Avenue.

A contemporary design, this Arc de Triomphe, Paris hotel's upscale guest rooms and suites are spacious and tastefully decorated and boast the latest in-room technology, including wireless Internet.

Outstanding among hotels in Arc de Triomphe, Paris, guests can indulge in delightful dining at the Makassar Lounge Restaurant serving contemporary French - Indonesian cuisine.

The Renaissance Paris Arc de Triomphe will be delighted to consider offering accommodation to Alliance press card holders who are able to review the hotel in their features.

Visit : www.marriott.co.uk/hotels/travel/parwg-renaissance-paris-arc-de-triomphe-hotel. Contact : Bernice Saltzer at bernice@sortedpr.com

Reykjavik Bike Tours

Reykjavik Bike Tours provide two wheeled tours of the essential 'must-see' sights of Iceland's capital and tell you the stories that bring these places to life!

It enables visitors to see and experience places that would be missed on foot or by bus and to meet local residents who know the ins and outs of the city.

The small group tours are made on comfortable, high quality bikes.

Reykjavik Bike Tours will provide press tours of Iceland's capital for Alliance press card holders.

Visit : www.icelandbike.com. Contact : Stefan Helgi Valsson at valsson@centrum.is

Reykjavik Segway Tours

Reykjavik Segway Tours provide sightseeing by segway in the capital city of Iceland.

Gliding along on the segway personal transporter is a unique experience available in Reykjavik for the first time in March 2013.

Reykjavik Segway Tours will be delighted to provide press tours of Iceland's capital for Alliance press card holders.

Visit : www.reykjaviksegwaytours.com. Contact : Stefan Helgi Valsson at book@reykjaviksegwaytours.com

Rockford, Illinois

Rockford is located in north central Illinois, just south of Wisconsin, halfway between Galena and Chicago.

Rockford life centers around the Rock River, which may divide the east side from the west, but brings people together for events such as the :

- Illinois Snow Sculpting Competition
- Fourth of July Festival
- Ski Broncs Water Ski Shows
- Rockford Art Museum
- Greenwich Village Art Fair and Rockford Art Guild's Artists' Fair
- On the Waterfront, Illinois' largest street music festival
- Music in the Park, and
- Holiday Festival of Lights.

Several museums cluster in Riverfront Museum Park on the west bank and Sinnissippi Gardens and Park stretch along the east bank. A trail network links them all.

Rockford continues to develop its waterfront by converting industrial sites into parks and public areas, such as Davis Park at Founder's Landing.

Visit : www.grockford.com. Contact : Fiona Pettitt at fiona@cellet.co.uk.

Rosalie Bay Resort, Dominica

Rosalie Bay Resort, an eco-luxury and wellness retreat on the Nature Island of Dominica in the Caribbean, located along the Atlantic Ocean at the edge of a UNESCO World Heritage site,

The Rosalie Bay will be happy to consider accommodations for Alliance members on assignment.

Visit : www.rosaliebay.com. Contact: Julie Harper at julie@madiganpratt.com.

Royal Demeure luxury hotels, Italy

The Royal Demeure luxury hotel chain is a collection of historic palazzi in some of Italy's most important cities including :

- the Hotel d'Inghilterra, Residenza di Ripetta and the Hotel Beverly Hills, in Rome
- the Hotel Helvetia & Bristol in Florence the Grand Hotel Continental in Siena and,
- the Hotel Villa Michelangelo in Vicenza.

Each hotel has been meticulously refurbished with frescoed halls hosting modern art, marble bathrooms boast hydro-massage bathtubs and cosy restaurants offering traditional Italian cuisine.

The Royal Demeure group will be happy to consider hosting Alliance press card holders who are in Italy on assignment an able to review one or more of the properties.

Visit : www.royaldemeure.com. Contact : Anne-Marie Buckley at Anne-Marie.Buckley@brightergroup.com.

The Royal Park and The Cranley, London

The Royal Park and The Cranley, two luxury, boutique hotels located in central London are delighted to welcome Alliance press card holders with suitable commissions.

Visit : www.theroyalpark.com and www.thecranley.com. Contact : Li Boatwright at Li@storringtoncommunications.com

Rushton Hall Hotel and Spa, Northamptonshire

Rushton Hall Hotel and Spa offers guests the chance to stay in what has been a stately home in rural Northampton since 1438.

Everything about Rushton Hall is grand from the moment you pass through its heavy timber doors. Most stunning, however, is the great hall with its magnificent timber roofing, ornate plasterwork, stained glass windows and fireplace.

Rushton Hall will be pleased to consider offering accommodation to Alliance press card holders.

Visit : www.rushtonhall.com. Contact : jacky Mcaulay at j.Mcaulay@rushtonhall.com.

Saigon Streets

Saigon Streets, which run 3 to 3.5 hour street food tours in Ho Chi Minh City, will be delighted to provide Alliance press card holders with a tour for review purposes.

Visit : www.saigonstreeteats.com. Contact : Barbara Adam at theboss@thedropoutdiaries.com.

Sail Lofts St Ives

A group of 12 award winning luxury holiday apartments surrounding a central courtyard, just metres from Porthmeor Beach in St Ives, with their own 'holistic' Ocean Spa.

Sail Lofts will be pleased to consider offering accommodation to Alliance press card holders with a commission.

Visit: www.thesaillofts.co.uk. Contact: Peter Hutchinson at peter@thesaillofts.co.uk.

Scotland's Personal Hotels

Scotland's Personal Hotels is one stop shop to finding hotels in Scotland, and offer visitors to Scotland :

- a large selection of independent hotels across Scotland and the chance to experience the real Scotland, and
- best rates guaranteed –travellers book direct with the hotels

Scotland's Personal Hotels can take care of all arrangements, book hotels, arrange car hire and offer advice on things to see and do, all over Scotland. There is no charge for this service.

Scotland's Personal Hotels will always consider hosting Alliance press card holders.

Visit : www.scotland-hotels.com. Contact : Mark Linklater at mark@scotland-hotels.com.

Secret London – An unusual guide Secret London – Unusual bars & restaurants

Following the success of “Secret London – An unusual guide” (Amazon bestseller) Jonglez Publishing has launch its first iPhone applications:

- Secret London – An unusual guide, and
- Secret London – Unusual bars & restaurants

Alliance press card holders able to review the applications can receive a code to download the app for free (iPhone users only).

Visit : www.itwalliance.com. Contact : Alexandre Thery at alexandre@editionsjonglez.com.

Senderos (Latin America)

Senderos is a UK based agency representing a portfolio of travel experiences across Latin America.

Its partners are estancias, rainforest and remote jungle lodges, expedition vessels and small upmarket hotels in destinations including the Galapagos and Antarctica, Brazil, Colombia, Peru, Ecuador, Argentina and Chile.

Senderos will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders interested in news, high resolution images and press trips.

Visit : www.senderos.co.uk. Contact : Gareth Lyons at gareth@senderos.co.uk.

Shakespeare Country, UK

Shakespeare Country in Warwickshire is happy to host Alliance press card holders and their family for 1/2 nights to experience the region.

This includes staying in a 4 star hotel in the Stratford-upon-Avon District with tickets to :

- a Royal Shakespeare Company play
- the 5 Shakespeare Houses
- Heritage Motor Centre
- Stratford Butterfly Farm
- Ragley Hall
- Compton Verney
- Kenilworth Castle
- Stratford Armouries
- The MAD Museum.

Dates are subject to availability.

Visit : www.Shakespeare-Country.co.uk. Contact : Tanya Aspinwall at tanya@marketingaloud.co.uk

Shieldhill Castle, the Clyde Valley, Scotland

Shieldhill Castle hotel is a 4 star hotel set in the upper Clyde valley 30 minutes from both Edinburgh and Glasgow.

The Castle dates back to 1199 and offers great character and charm amongst elegant surroundings. The principal building has 16 en suite bedrooms, and the newly refurbished stable block has created a courtyard setting for an extra 10 en suite rooms.

Chancellor's restaurant, set within the Castle itself, has won numerous food and wine awards, including a two Rosette distinction from the AA.

In the grounds of the Castle and the surrounding areas, there is falconry, paintballing, clay pigeon shooting, helicopter flights, hot air balloon rides, fishing and golf.

Shieldhill Castle will be delighted to consider hosting Alliance press card holders able to review.

Visit : www.shieldhillcastlehotel.co.uk. Contact : Su Hesketh at su@crimsonedge.co.uk.

Silversea Cruises

Silversea Cruises is a luxury cruise line, offering guests large-ship amenities aboard its intimate, all-suite vessels: Silver Cloud, Silver Wind, Silver Shadow, Silver Whisper and Silver Spirit.

With the inclusion of the expedition ships Silver Explorer and Silver Galapagos (debuting late 2013), Silversea Cruises' itineraries encompass all seven continents and feature worldwide luxury cruises to the Mediterranean, Caribbean, both polar regions and over 500 fascinating destinations in between.

Silversea Cruises will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders, with suitable assignments, who are able to provide reviews of its cruises.

Visit : www.silversea.com. Contact : Katie Francis visit : kf@verypcc.com.

South Oxfordshire, UK

South Oxfordshire is a popular location for film and TV productions because of its unspoilt rural character.

Over 50% of programmes in the ever-popular British TV crime series Midsomer Murders are filmed here.

South Oxfordshire's three main market towns have served as Midsomer's fictional town of Causton with :

- Thame with its food focus
- Wallingford's Thames river setting, and
- Henley on Thames, home of the world famous rowing regatta and arts festival where the 'blazers and boaters' combination is a colourful highlight of the social season.

South Oxfordshire will be happy to hear from Alliance press card holders looking for visits, itineraries, story ideas, fact checking and copyright free images.

Visit : www.southernoxfordshire.com and www.visitmidsomer.com. Contact : Jackie Ellis at jackie@tourism-angles.co.uk.

St Mary's Hall Hotel, Scilly

St Mary's Hall Hotel, the Isles of Scilly is happy to provide press trip opportunities to Alliance press card holders.

Visit : www.stmaryshallhotel.co.uk. Contact : Karen Baker at karen@mercury-pr.co.uk

Sugnall Hall, Staffordshire, UK

The owners Sugnall Hall have been restoring their 2-acre walled kitchen garden for six years and have brought this back into production as well as allocating one of the quadrants for an Indian Pavilion that was handmade and hand-block printed in Jodhpur.

The walled garden, which dates back to 1737, complete privacy in the heart of rural Staffordshire.

Sugnall Hall, Staffordshire will welcome the chance to talk to Alliance press card holders on assignment.

Visit : www.sugnall.co.uk. Contact : Simon Turton at simon@operapr.com.

Swaziland and Malawi

Geo Group will be delighted to consider press trips to either Swaziland or Malawi for Alliance press card holders with suitable commissions.

Visit : www.thekingdomofswaziland.com and www.malawitourism.com. Contact: Kelly White at tourism@geo-group.co.uk

Talbot County, Maryland USA

The Talbot County Office of Tourism promotes the pristine landscapes, waterscapes, and small hamlets along the "Hamptons of the Chesapeake Bay".

The Towns of St. Michaels, Oxford, Easton, and Tilghman Island offer a wealth of small town charm with metropolitan amenities.

Outdoor recreational opportunities abound at every corner - with five rivers, two bays and hundreds of creeks and tributaries, kayaking, canoeing, sailing, and yachting can be enjoyable throughout the seasons of Spring, Summer and Fall.

Year round entertainment at local theatres and nightclubs, art festivals and galleries, culinary events, and cultural treasures add to the Talbot County experience.

The Talbot County Office of Tourism will be delighted to consider press trips for Alliance press card holders on assignment.

Visit : www.talbgov.org. Contact : Debbi Dodson at ddodson@talbgov.org.

The Taskonaklar Boutique Hotel, Turkey

The Taskonaklar Boutique Hotel is located in Uçhisar, the highest town in the Turkish region of Cappadocia.

A member of Great Hotels of the World, it has rooms and suites carved into volcanic formations with the accommodations combines subterranean spaces, rough-hewn walls and stone archways with fresh air in the form of terraces and balconies, with stunning views.

The Taskonaklar Boutique Hotel will be delighted to consider offering accommodation to Alliance press card holders.

Visit : www.taskonaklar.com. Contact : Tolga Akarcalı at tolga@taskonaklar.com.

theExplorateur

theExplorateur reviews hotels, shops, restaurants and travel-related products around the world.

theExplorateur will consider offering Alliance press card the opportunity to review any of its properties.

Visit : www.theExplorateur.com. Contact Gabriella Ribeiro Truman at gabriella@trumarketing.com

Three Nelson Hotels in Cheshire, UK

The Grosvenor Pulford Hotel & Spa, The Pheasant Inn and The Bear's Paw will be happy to accommodate Alliance press card holders with a commission.

Visit : www.grosvenorpulfordhotel.co.uk, www.thepheasantinn.co.uk and www.thebearspaw.co.uk
Contact : Karen Floyd at karen.floyd@symmetrypr.com

Tipi Adventure, Herefordshire UK

Tipi Adventure offers alternative UK holidays on the River Wye in Herefordshire.

Here visitors can stay in luxury tipis along the riverside and take part in daily paddles along the river itself in Canadian Canoes.

The holidays are suitable for anyone aged four upwards and as tuition and buoyancy aids are provided, no previous canoeing experience is required.

Tipi Adventure would be delighted to hear from any Alliance press card holders who would like to know more about the company. Media visits are also available outside of the peak school holiday periods.

Visit : www.tipiadventure.co.uk. Contact : Samantha Marsh:
samantha@infinitypublicrelations.co.uk

Tongabezi, Zambia

Tongabezi Lodge is the first Zambezi River lodge on the Zambian side of Victoria Falls. Privately owned and run it was voted among the world's finest places to stay in Condé Nast Traveler's 2008 Gold List.

Tongabezi Lodge will be delighted to consider providing Alliance press card holders with stays at the Lodge for review purposes.

Visit : www.tongabezi.com. Contact : Sanja Cloete-Jones at sanja@tongabezi.com.

Tontine Hotel, Peebles, Scotland

Tontine Hotel, a family-run hotel in the heart of Peebles, won the award as Best Town Hotel in the 2012 Scottish Hotel Awards.

With 36 en-suite rooms, it's the fourth largest hotel in the Scottish Borders.

The Tontine is a fine base for covering one of Scotland's most beautiful regions, especially renowned for outdoor activities such as walking, mountain biking, cycling, golf, fishing and shooting.

Peebles itself is ranked the best town in Scotland for independent shops and is within easy reach of the 21 golf courses in the Borders.

It is a half hour's drive from Edinburgh and 90 minutes from Glasgow.

The Tontine Hotel, will be delighted to consider accommodation requests from Alliance press card holders on assignment.

Visit : www.tontinehotel.com. Contact : Mark Linklater at marklinklater@gmail.com.

Towan Valley, Cornwall, UK

Towan Valley, Cornwall is a place for families looking to get a totally Cornish getaway – a stones throw from one of Cornwall's best blue flag beaches and cliff top walks.

Situated in a wooded valley, Towan Valley comprises luxury self catering beach retreats which enjoy the very latest facilities, a fully fitted modern kitchen, off road parking and fully landscaped gardens.

These are located on the North Cornish Coast in the village of Porthtowan, 12 miles between St Ives and Newquay and seven miles from Truro - Cornwall's only City. The properties are available through Aspects Holidays and Michael Paul Holidays.

Towan Valley will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders on assignment who would like to review.

Visit : www.aspects-holidays.co.uk and www.michaelpaulholidays.co.uk. Contact: Graham Buckley at graham@mercury-pr.co.uk.

Truro, Cornwall, UK

The cathedral city of Truro, which is the UK's most Southerly and Cornwall's only city, has cobbled streets, narrow alleyways and riverside walks down to Malpas.

Beaches including Porthtowan are a 15 minute drive away and there is the opportunity to take a boat from Truro down to Falmouth and St Mawes.

Truro has been very much overlooked from a travel media perspective, in favour of destinations such as St Ives and Padstow, but has a wealth to offer people wanting a city break that offers them the best of both worlds.

Enjoy Truro will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders on assignment who would like to visit the city.

Visit : www.enjoytruro.co.uk. Contact: Karen Baker at karen@mercury-pr.co.uk.

Utah

The US state of Utah attracts outdoor enthusiasts offering national Parks, ski resorts and golf courses.

Within the state is to be found Park City, historic Temple Square, St George, Lake Powell and, of course, Salt Lake City. Visitors come to ski or snowboard "The Greatest Snow on Earth," to mountain bike Slickrock in Moab Utah, take summer whitewater rafting down Cataract Canyon, or visit the Old West.

The Utah Office of Tourism will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who are able to feature the state.

Visit : www.utah.com. Contact : Caroline Corfield-Rose at caroline@corecommunications.co.uk.

Valley Forge, Pennsylvania

Recreation, history, retail and the arts intersect in the Valley Forge area.

Located 18 miles west of downtown Philadelphia, it is most often remembered as the site of George Washington's winter encampment of 1777-1778, where the army was transformed from a rag-tag band of soldiers into the fighting force that went on to win the American Revolution.

Visitors today can enjoy the tranquil beauty of Valley Forge National Historical Park's 3,500 acres of rolling hillsides and sparkling streams.

The Valley Forge Convention & Visitors Bureau will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who are able to feature the area.

Visit : www.valleyforge.org. Contact : Greg Evans at g.p.evans@btinternet.com.

Verbier, Switzerland

Located in the heart of the Swiss Alps in the canton of Valais, the resort of Verbier is located in a sunny bowl high above the Rhone river.

Along with St-Bernard and La Tzoumaz the area of Verbier - St Bernard offers over 400kms of hiking, biking and world class skiing.

The village itself comprises chalet-style buildings.

Verbier will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who are interested in producing features on the region.

Visit : www.verbier.ch. Contact: Lynsey Devon at lynsey@heavenpublicity.co.uk.

The Villa Rosa Hotel, Nairobi

Kempinski Hotels is set to open one of the country's most luxurious properties, the Villa Rosa Hotel on Chiromo Road as well as tented camp, Olare Camp in a Maasai Mara conservancy in early 2013.

Alliance press card holders are invited to request a press review stay at the the Villa Rosa Hotel and or Olare Camp.

Visit : www.kempinski.com/en/nairobi/hotel-villa-rosa and www.magicalkenya.co.uk. Contact: Hilary Philpott at hilary.philpott@kempinski.com.

Visit Dublin

Visit Dublin offers Alliance press card holders visiting on-assignment a Media Pass (the Dublin Pass), which provides free entry to 34 visitor attractions in Dublin.

Visit : www.visitdublin.com and www.dublinpass.com. Contact : Catherine McCluskey at Catherine.mccluskey@failteireland.ie

Visit Orlando

Visit Orlando offers Alliance press card holders visiting on-assignment a complimentary Journalist VIP Passport.

Visit : www.VisitOrlando.com/media. Contact : Amy Rodenbrock at amy.rodenbrock@visitorlando.com

Visit Cornwall

Cornwall is located in the far west of Great Britain on a peninsula pointing into into the Atlantic Ocean, and with 300 miles of coastline.

Cornwall is also the location of mainland Great Britain's most southerly promontory, The Lizard, and one of the UK's most westerly points, Land's End, while a few miles off shore and even further west is an archipelago of tiny islands that make up the Isles of Scilly.

For Alliance press card holders visiting Cornwall with suitable commissions, VisitCornwall will be pleased to offer bespoke itinerary arrangements and assist in negotiating complimentary or reduced rate accommodation and entry to attractions and activities.

Visit : www.visitcornwall.com. Contact : Julia Hughes at julia.hughes@visitcornwall.com

Visit Oxfordshire

From Oxford - the city of Dreaming Spires - to the countryside of Oxfordshire, there are many things to see and places to visit including :

- historical Oxford attractions including Blenheim Palace, Christ Church college or the Ashmolean Museum
- country walks, cycling , sailing and punting
- villages in the Oxfordshire Cotswolds

Visit Oxfordshire, the county's tourism association, will be delighted to assist Alliance press card holders who are planning a visit to Oxford and Oxfordshire, including providing a Press Pass (for 1+1) which gives entrance to many attractions in Oxford and Oxfordshire

Visit : www.visitoxfordshire.org/press. Contact : Heather Armitage at HArmitage@oxford.gov.uk.

Visit South East England

South East England comprises the counties that wrap around London, and which take in the south coast from Dover to the New Forest.

These are :

Kent
Sussex
Isle of Wight

Hampshire
Surrey,
Berkshire

Buckinghamshire, and
Oxfordshire

The South East is home to English icons such as Windsor Castle, Oxford, Brighton and Canterbury and Visit South East England can arrange themed tours such as Jane Austen, James Bond, Downton Abbey, Tolkien, CS Lewis and Inspector Morse.

Some of the areas 2013 highlights include the 200th Anniversary of Pride & Prejudice, the opening of the Mary Rose Museum, Portsmouth.

For Alliance press card holders visiting SE England with suitable commissions, Tourism South East will be pleased to offer bespoke itinerary arrangements and assist in negotiating complimentary or reduced rate accommodation and entry to attractions and activities.

Visit : www.visitsoutheastengland.com. Contact : Carol Plunkett at cplunkett@tourismse.com.

Wedgwood the Restaurant, Edinburgh, Scotland

Paul Wedgwood and Lisa Channon opened Wedgwood the Restaurant in 2007, and gains inspiration for his style of dishes from regular travels around the world.

Favourite dishes in the restaurant include Panko and black sesame crusted mullet or Pork belly, Diver caught scallops wrapped in caul fat.

Wedgwood the Restaurant will be delighted to consider hosting Alliance press card holders able to review.

Visit : www.wedgwoodtherestaurant.co.uk. Contact : Su Hesketh at su@crimsonedge.co.uk.

Welcome to Yorkshire

Welcome to Yorkshire, which is the official agency for the English county of Yorkshire, has one clear priority, to make Yorkshire the most popular destination in the UK for business and leisure.

In just two years *Welcome to Yorkshire* has grown the value of the county's tourism and visitor economy from £5.9bn to £7bn per annum.

Welcome to Yorkshire will be delighted to consider press trip opportunities for Alliance press card holders with an appropriate commission.

Visit : www.yorkshire.com/mediacentre. Contact : Graham Poucher at gpoucher@yorkshire.com

The West Somerset Railway, UK

The West Somerset Railway is Britain's longest standard gauge "heritage" railway and runs steam trains on a daily basis from early April to early October and on elected dates in other months.

The route is from Bishops Lydeard (4 miles from the Somerset County Town of Taunton) to the small seaside resort of Minehead and the Railway carries some 200,000 passengers each year.

The West Somerset Railway will be delighted to offer Alliance press card holders free travel on its trains. Please book tickets in advance.

Visit : www.west-somerset-railway.co.uk. Contact : John Simms at john.com@wsrail.net

Wilderness Scotland

Wilderness Scotland is a specialist adventure travel company offering an inspiring range of holidays, journeys and wilderness experiences in the most remote and beautiful regions of the Scottish Highlands and Islands.

Established in 2001, its team of guides know the wild places of Scotland better than anyone.

Wilderness Scotland will consider offering press trip facilities to Alliance press card holders.

Visit : www.wildernessscotland.com. Contact: Ben Thorburn at ben@wildernessscotland.com

WildJunket Magazine

WildJunket Magazine is a new-age digital magazine with an emphasis on adventure travel and special interest journey.

It is a finalist in the Digital Magazine Awards 2012 for Best Travel Magazine Award.

To read a sample issue online : . Password: [wjjun88](#)

Alliance press card holders can receive a free annual subscription (four issues) via email. Those interested should email Alberto Molero with name card number and email address.

Visit : www.wildjunketmagazine.com. Contact Alberto Molero at alberto@wildjunket.com.

Windsor and the Royal Borough, UK

Windsor and the Royal Borough have almost 1,000 years of history including :

- Windsor Castle - the world's largest occupied castle
- 4,800 acres of royal landscape in Windsor Great Park
- horse racing at the Windsor and Ascot Races
- Eton College Legoland
- Windsor Michelin starred restaurants at Bray
- Cookham and the River Thames for boating, walking and cycling.

Windsor will be happy to hear from Alliance press card holders looking for visits, itineraries, story ideas, fact checking and copyright free images.

Visit : www.windsor.gov.uk. Contact : Jackie Ellis at jackie@tourism-angles.co.uk.

www.cornwallcottages.co.uk

www.cornwallcottages.co.uk a specialist internet holiday cottage agency with over 230 properties throughout the Duchy, will be delighted to consider offering self-catering accommodation to Alliance press card holders with a commissioned feature.

Visit: www.cornwallcottages.co.uk. Contact: Jess Money at jess@suebradburypr.com

The Yukon

Situated in the upper Northwest corner of Canada, next to Alaska, the Yukon is Canada's most accessible northern destination.

The Yukon is one of North America's major wilderness attractions; close to 80 percent remains pristine wilderness with 5,000-metre peaks, forested valleys, unspoiled waters and untamed wildlife.

It is home to more than 160,000 caribou, 70,000 moose, 22,000 mountain sheep, 6,000 grizzly bears and 220 species of birds and 34,000 humans!

Canada's highest mountain (Mount Logan) is located here as is one of the largest non-polar ice fields located in Kluane National Park - a UNESCO World Heritage site.

The Yukon has three national parks, six territorial parks and four Canadian Heritage Rivers and with nearly 3,000 miles of all-weather and mostly paved road.

The Yukon's 10 communities enjoys a vibrant culture rich in northern tradition and First Nation (native) customs and beliefs.

Travel Yukon will be delighted to hear from Alliance press card holders who are able to feature this region.

Visit : www.travel yukon.com. Contact : Lisa Chamberlain at Lisa.chamberlain@btinternet.com.

Zambian Dawn Safaris

Zambian Dawn Safaris is an owner-operated safari company based in the North Luangwa National Park, Zambia.

This wilderness area is the only park in Zambia, which is home to Africa's Big Five and is also a bird watchers destination with over 400 species of bird recorded in the Zambian Dawn Safaris area.

Zambian Dawn Safaris will be pleased to consider press visits to Alliance press card holders with a commission.

Visit : www.zambiandawnsafaris.com. Contact : Honour Way at info@honourway.com.

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