

# LIVE AUCTION

## 1. Three Days Sailing for Eight on a Luxury Yacht



Ever wanted to take your own private family cruise? Or entertain friends or clients in a way they will never forget? Then enjoy a three-day Mediterranean voyage on the luxury yacht Serene. Imagine yourself sailing through crystal clear blue waters, jumping in for a dip if the mood strikes you, or just relax on board and work on your tan.

This 68 ft Ferretti yacht sleeps eight people and is fully crewed. Based in Athens, the charter (estimated value €10,000) is available on a mutually agreeable date and excludes food, drink and flights.

Donated by Andreas Rialas, Argo Capital Management Limited

## 2. A Night to Remember! Dinner for Twelve at La Grande Marque Restaurant, including Champagne and Wine

The lucky winner of this prize will receive dinner for twelve at La Grande Marque Restaurant, set in the ground floor of the Library Building of the venerable Middle Temple. Admire the



18th century artwork as you peruse the modern brasserie menu, featuring simple but perfectly executed dishes including cheese and paté boards with crusty French bread and daily specials like Cumberland sausage and mash, roast pepper and feta tart or aromatic duck salad. A cross between a trip back in time and trip to a country house, La Grande Marque is a real haven in the heart of the city.

A great time is guaranteed not only by the renowned cuisine, but six bottles of Joseph Perrier bubbly and six bottles of wine included. Perfect for a special celebration with great friends or client entertainment.

Please visit [www.lagrandemarque.co.uk](http://www.lagrandemarque.co.uk)

Kindly donated by Howard Snell of Troika Dialog.

### **3. Rwanda: Gorillas in the Mist - Three Days on a Development Project in Rwanda with a unique opportunity to go Gorilla Tracking**



Combine a trip to visit Health Unlimited's educational radio soap project in Rwanda with a unique opportunity to go gorilla tracking. Learn first hand how Health Unlimited works with local people to raise awareness on issues such as HIV/AIDS, malaria and TB, ethnic conflict, safe motherhood, domestic violence and rape. The three day field visit for 1-2 people includes joining listening groups, field visits and a recording session where you will meet the actors. Culminate this amazing experience with 3 days (2 nights) gorilla tracking in The Volcanoes National Park. The Park covers the Rwandan section of the magnificent Virunga

Mountains, a range of 6 extinct and 3 active volcanoes, which straddles Uganda and The Congo and protects the largest remaining population of mountain gorilla. Flights to & from Rwanda not included. Trip must be taken before the end of 2009. Reserve price £3000.

Field visit kindly donated by Health Unlimited. Gorilla Tracking made possible by a donation from Paddy Beeley.

### **4. Rock On with a Les Paul Guitar Autographed by the Legendary James Taylor**

Own your very own Les Paul Studio electric guitar, the instrument of choice for guitarists who demand traditional Les Paul performance with a modern attitude. The guitar itself is a work of art – Alpine White with gold hardware. To make it even more unique, we have had it signed by James Taylor.



Kindly donated by Gibson Musical Instruments, James Taylor and Cindy Bond, Revenue Development, Inc.

### **5. One Week for Two in Antalya**



You and a guest will receive a one-week holiday at the all inclusive Xanadu Resort Hotel in Belek Village near Antalya, Turkey.

Be carried back to the times of the ancient Romans among the columned walkways, ancient-style pools and amphitheatre of the five-star resort with something for everyone. Availability: May 2009, on a Monday to Sunday basis and subject to availability. Flights not included.

Kindly donated by Ahmet Kaynak, courtesy of Xanadu Resort.

## 6. Skydive with the Red Devils!

Adrenaline junkies, this is for you! Join the Army's Freefall Parachute Display Team on two tandem skydives at a mutually convenient date. The jumps can take place at either Netheravon (west of Andover) or Nottingham.

Kindly donated by the Army Freefall Parachute Display Team.



## 7. Dinner at the Ivy with BBC World Affairs Editor John Simpson



Entertain your guests at a dinner in the distinguished company of BBC World Affairs Editor John Simpson at London's leading celebrity restaurant, The Ivy. Dinner for up to five guests. Beverages not included. Date and time to be mutually arranged to suit you and John and must be taken up before 30 September 2009. Reserve price £1500.

Kindly donated by John Simpson.

## 8. Luxury Ski Chalet in Chamonix

This chalet has four bedrooms (sleeps eight) and stunning views of Mont Blanc. After skiing, have a cocktail in front of the fireplaces, or whip up a fabulous meal in the wonderful modern kitchen with massive old dining table. Subject to availability.



## 9. An African Hero – Tapestry of Promise



Own a magnificent specially commissioned tapestry, created specifically for Africa! The Emerging Markets Benefit Ball 2008. The hand embroidered tapestry with beaded detail (1.6m width x 2m in length) depicts the story of the life of Nelson Mandela, a true African hero, in his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday year. This wonderful tapestry was produced by the women of The Fancy Stitch Group. Fancy Stitch

([www.http://www.fancystitch.org.za](http://www.fancystitch.org.za)) is a self-help, income generation and skills development initiative amongst women living in the deep rural hamlet of Ingwavuma, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. This tapestry celebrates all the richness that is Africa - its crafts, colours, textures and people and the story-telling ability that is key to communication success and true to the African spirit. A truly remarkable piece of art.

Kindly donated by Absa Capital.

## 10. Stunning Luxury Villa with Gorgeous Views in St Lucia



Enjoy the warm Caribbean sunshine, while being gently fanned by cool sea breezes, with a week at the gorgeous Bananaquit House in St Lucia. This fully furnished dream villa is set on a hillside with unparalleled views of the famous Gros and Petit Piton mountains. It sleeps up to 7 adults and 7 children, and is especially well equipped for kids. Bananaquit House is 5 minutes from Anse Chastenet beach and its famous PADI dive-centre while the town of Soufriere, the old French capital of the island, is a 10-minute drive away. One visit to the website and you will be hooked. Dates subject to availability – Christmas and New Year's not available. For more information, please visit [www.stluciahouse.com](http://www.stluciahouse.com).

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