

Sleeping At A Discount...

Rooms That Rate

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 ■ **New York (NY): Hotel Elysée**

The "NYC Luxury Shopping Package," available any 2 consecutive weekend nights (2 night minimum) incl: Champagne upon arrival; 1 lb Leonidas chocolates; a day at Bergdorf Goodman (with tea, free facial, a personal shopping consultation & incentive gift card); copy of *Zagat's NYC Shopping Guide*; copy of *Vogue Magazine*; bkfst each morning; free fruit, cookies, tea & coffee all day; free wine and hors d'oeuvres each evening; free passes to the NY Sports Club and, of course, truly deluxe accommodations. **Tip:** Don't miss the Charlie Wala murals in the legendary Monkey Bar. From \$350/room per night. Located on East 54 St between Madison & Park Avenues. ☎ 212-753-1066, ☎ 800-535-9733, www.elyseehotel.com. **Thru Aug 31.**

ily friendly Oasis Palm Beach where 3 children (age 12 and under) can share their parent's room, eat free and have free access to the Kids Club when staying with two paying adults.

All-inclusive rates range from \$69 p/p per night at the Oasis Cancun to \$144 at the Grand Oasis Riviera Maya and \$150 at the Grand Oasis Cancun. ☎ 800-44-OASIS, www.oasishotels.com. Or check with your travel agent. **Thru Dec 20.**

■ **New Hampshire.** The Blue Acorn Inn (www.blueacorninn.com), Henniker House B&B (www.hennikerhouse.com), Highland Lake Inn (www.highlandlakeinn.com) & Rosewood Country Inn (www.rosewoodcountryinn.com), members of Granite State Vacations (www.granitestatevacations.com), have devised a "Frugal Yankee Package." The inns, located in the beautiful Sunapee region, are near museums, art galleries, historic and outdoor attractions and unparalleled shopping. The Frugal Package incl:

■ A free 3rd night for the price of a 2-night stay
 ■ Free Friday evening hors d'oeuvres
 ■ Homemade country bkfst each morning
 ■ Tickets to Canterbury Shaker Village
 ■ Tour of The Fells summer cottage & gardens
 ■ \$350 in discounts for Tax-Free shopping at the Tanger Outlets
 ■ 10% dinner discount at a local restaurant.



Some of the 101 rooms at the Elysée (Manhattan's "number one jewel hotel") have terraces, solariums or kitchens. The hotel was and is a favorite of writers and stars — Tallulah Bankhead (pictured at left) celebrated Harry Truman's 1948 victory over Thomas E. Dewey here with a party that ran non-stop five days and nights; Tennessee Williams lived and died here; Ava Gardner was a frequent guest. Built in the 1920's, the Elysée recently underwent a luxurious makeover.

TAX REFUNDS & HOTEL SAVINGS

A handful of hotels are offering special summer savings in conjunction with IRS refunds. If you want to boost the economy and pamper yourself and your family, read on!

■ **Mexico.** The Oasis Hotels & Resorts have slashed rates 20% to 25% at 9 properties in Cancun and the Riviera Maya. These resorts range from the adults-only Grand Oasis Playa (ages 23+) to the fam-

Starting rates range from \$109/night at the Blue Acorn & \$165 at the Rosewood Country Inn. **June 1 thru Aug 31.**

■ **New York (NY).** All properties in the HKHotels group (The Casablanca, Library, Elysée & Giraffe) are offering \$10 to \$50 off. Summer rates at these boutique hotels start at \$265 to \$289. Use code "taxrebate" when booking at: www.hkhotels.us. **Memorial Day thru Labor Day.**