



Spend a Week in a Scotland Highlands Retreat, Homeland of Our Own Anne Crowden!

Combining Victorian charm with a spectacular setting in the Cairngorms National Park, Hilton Grand Vacations at Craigendarroch Suites is the ultimate option for a relaxing getaway in Scotland. From the spa to an adventure playground, the resort offers attractions for the whole family to enjoy, plus great dining at their Keiller restaurant, named after the former owner of the house.

Craigendarroch is located on a hillside just west of the village of Ballater, conveniently just one hour from Aberdeen Airport. Set within the **Cairngorms National Park**, you'll be surrounded by the natural beauty of the highlands. Nearby destinations include the fantastic Lecht ski area, just a 25-minute drive away, and royal residence Balmoral Castle, with its manicured lawns and majestic architecture, just eight miles down the road.

Take the opportunity to try some outdoor activities such as fishing, skiing, quad biking, horse riding, off-road driving, and highland safaris. Rather be on the green? The fantastic Ballater Golf Course is just one mile from the resort. Or, simply relax and admire the scenery on the surrounding walking trails.

- Scenic location in the Cairngorms National Park, overlooking the Dee Valley
- One hour from Aberdeen Airport and 25 miles from the Lecht ski area
- Two indoor pools, spa, tennis and squash courts, adventure playground, and games room

This Scottish adventure is available the week of May 1, 2021.











Chef's Table Experience at PRIMA for up to Six Guests, with Executive Chef Peter Chastain

Experience a delicious and exclusive "Chef's Table" dinner, with complimentary wine pairings, for six guests at celebrated Prima Ristorante. Executive Chef Peter Chastain will greet your party, discuss your food preferences and special needs, and then design a custom multi-course menu paired with exceptional wines, for an evening of exquisite dining prepared by a master at his craft.

At Prima, classic Italian cuisine is exquisitely paired with an award-winning wine list of Italian regional specialties, with seasonal menus driven by Chef Chastain's unwavering focus on only the best organic ingredients. Routinely recognized as one of the Bay Area's best restaurants (by Michael Bauer, *San Francisco Chronicle, Diablo Magazine*, and more), Prima has garnered national attention for its spectacular wine list of more than 1,600 wines. Its many awards include *Wine Spectator Magazine's* "Best Award of Excellence," an honor that only 380 restaurants throughout the world have received.

The Chef Table experience at Prima is extremely exclusive, and is the perfect opportunity to make a memorable evening with family, friends, or your most important business contacts.











Acoustic-Electric Violin, Case, Bow, and Amp

Infinite expression is yours, with this acoustic-electric violin package!

The **Eastman VL501-EAV** is the perfect acoustic-electric violin for traditionalists who sometimes want amplification without anyone knowing they're actually plugged in. While equipped to be plugged into amps, effects pedals, loopers, and PA systems, with Eastman's Jean-Pierre Lupot model acoustic violin body it is perfectly suitable for the symphony stage--not a button, knob, or output jack in sight.

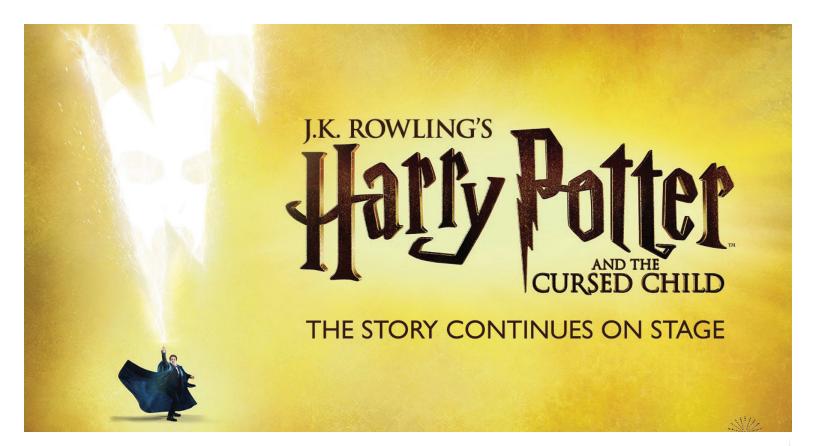
With a quality pickup supplied by Fishman, internal electronics, and a discreet output jack in the end button, the VL501-EAV has a great amplified sound and good feedback resistance in an instrument that looks just like (and weighs no more than) a regular acoustic violin.

This package includes a **Fishman Loudbox mini-amp and cord**, and **Eastman deluxe oblong case**, and a **Velocity Journey carbon fiber violin bow**. Whether you want to plug in or unplug, you or that special musician in your life will have everything needed for vibrant self-expression.











Harry Potter: Two-Part Live Theater Event at the Curran, Plus Dinner at Foreign Cinema

Harry Potter And The Cursed Child, J. K. Rowling's record-breaking excursion onto the theatrical stage, is now playing at the Curran!

Harry Potter And The Cursed Child is the most awarded production in the history of Britain's Olivier Awards, winning a record-breaking nine awards including Best New Play and Best Director. The production has won 24 major theatre awards in the UK since opening in July 2016 in London. It made its Broadway premiere in April 2018, and was the most awarded show of the season, winning 25 awards in total, including six Tony® Awards. The package includes two passes for this special two-part theater event, either to be viewed in a single day, or over two separate evenings.

To round out your evening, visit **Foreign Cinema** restaurant with a \$125 gift certificate. Since 1999, Foreign Cinema remains a magical destination for local, national, and international visitors as one of San Francisco's most enduring dining centers. A *San Francisco Chronicle* "Top 100 Restaurant" for eighteen consecutive years, Chefs Gayle Pirie and John Clark's collective visions weave food, wine, cocktails, film, and art gallery into one harmonious ambiance.











Chef Daniel Patterson Prepares a Six-Course Meal in your Home for Ten Guests!

Daniel Patterson's Coi restaurant earned **two Michelin stars**, and was one of a handful of restaurants in the San Francisco Bay Area to earn four stars from the *San Francisco Chronicle*.

Patterson describes Coi's concept as combining haute cuisine, an emphasis on local vegetables, a modern aesthetic, and a personal approach to cooking, with "a casual, neighborhood feeling." The approach was uncommon at the time, but later became a hallmark of Northern California restaurants.

The lucky winner of this exciting package will have a private menu consultation with **Chef Daniel Patterson**, including wine pairing recommendations. Patterson will then prepare the resulting six-course menu, including dessert, for up to ten guests in your home.

Don't miss this extraordinary opportunity to bring together your closest friends, or your most important business contacts, for an unforgettable experience in the luxury of your own home.











Seven Night Stay in Historic San Miguel De Allende, Mexico

San Miguel de Allende, a colonial-era city in Mexico's central highlands, is known for its baroque Spanish architecture, thriving arts scene, and cultural festivals. In the historic, cobblestoned center lies the neo-Gothic church Parroquia de San Miguel Arcángel, whose dramatic pink towers rise above the main plaza, El Jardín.

You'll enjoy **seven nights in an adorable, light-filled colonial casita** situated right in the city's historic center, with terrific views of La Parroquia, the town, lake, and mountains. Just three blocks above the main square, it is within walking distance of everything there is to see and do in San Miguel. Your casita has four bedrooms and three bathrooms, and sleeps five comfortably: one king-size bed in master bedroom and three single beds in the cozy guest rooms. Your package also includes a \$250 gift certificate to the Rosewood Hotel in San Miguel, which can be used at Sense Spa and/or dining at 1826 Restaurant or Luna Rooftop Tapas Bar, or for any other service at the hotel.

Restrictions: Use within one year of auction date. Home is unavailable in January, February, or March.











Aspen Music Festival, August 2020

The music lover's opportunity you've been waiting for! For three days in August, you will be an insider at one of classical music's most prestigious gatherings of the year.

Spend a long weekend at the acclaimed **Aspen Music Festival** and experience performances by some of modern classical music's premiere artists, with personal introductions made through Crowden's own Joan Balter. This package includes a three-day pass for the Aspen Music Festival, and arrangements will be made for a **personal meet with your choice of the artists** featured during your stay.

This package includes accommodations for two guests in a Studio Residence at the Aspen Viceroy Snowmass Luxury Hotel & Resort. Only seven miles from downtown Aspen in the heart of Snowmass' new Base Village, its sophistication and sense of place perfectly blend with the Colorado high country. The spacious studio residence features gourmet midnight kitchens appointed with premium appliances, as well as designer-selected tableware, glassware, flatware, and cooking tools.

Don't miss your invitation to experience classical music with the people who know it and perform it best. This combination of musicians, accommodations, and expert guide is a once-in-a-lifetime experience!











Jay Haide Instrument of Your Choosing

Choose the instrument you prefer from **Ifshin Violin's Jay Haide l'ancienne line of violins and cellos!** All Jay Haide instruments are hand-made of quality seasoned maple and spruce, and have a tone quality and workmanship normally found in those costing much more.

These are beautiful, quality instruments with exceptional sound. Jay Haide instruments are set up to the highest professional standards by expert Ifshin instrument makers, in close collaboration with master European luthiers.

Any master violin maker will tell you that there is nothing as helpful as having a fine old violin on your workbench for inspiration while you are trying to do your best work. The Jay Haide workshop models their new creations after rare old master instruments from their own collection of fine Italian and French violins. It is this attention to detail that has created their worldwide demand and acclaim.

These instruments will make you want to get out on that stage and perform!











Squaw Stay and Ski Package: Family Adventure or Friends Getaway

A winter getaway for a long weekend (three nights) at Squaw Valley! Stay at the **Village at Squaw**, located right at the base. Your two bedroom and two bath unit sleeps eight, with two king beds, two fold-out queen sofa beds, and a fully equipped kitchen. Park your car underground and enjoy the mountain without having to leave all weekend!

This special package includes two two-day lift tickets. Whether you are an experienced skier or new to skiing, Squaw has the terrain and lessons for every level.

This package includes:

- Two-bedroom unit with parking for two cars
- Voucher: Two two-day lift tickets

Winter (20/21). Dates to be mutually agreed upon. (No holiday weekends and no pets)











Special Dessert and Champagne at Your Table

Earn the gratitude of your peers and enjoy a delicious dessert to boot! You and your table will be the envy of the room when you win a show-stopper cake, donated by **Jane Hammond Events.**

Jane has created a sumptuous Fiori di Sicilia orange blossom cake with roasted miso butterscotch glaze, covered in seasonal berry reduction butter cream. This two-tier cake serving 30 people will be decorated with an infinity of handmade edible wafer paper butterflies, with hand-painted accents in edible gold luster dust. The top tier will be decorated with the infinity symbol, topped with handmade wafer paper and fondant sugar flowers and butterflies.

Of course, every celebration calls for a glass of something bubbly, so we are including a **bottle of champagne for you and your guests**.

Share this sweet combination with your table, and put everyone in the mood to bid generously for the rest of the evening!













Two Precious Diamond Necklaces

Musical training provides an amazing foundation for infinite self-expression, but sometimes it's also nice to express yourself with some bling! These hand-crafted, stunning statement necklaces by jewelry designer Angelina Hunter are full of unique character and shine, so you'll stand out in any room.

- 11 2-carot sliced diamonds on a 30" 18K gold chain, (Retail \$1,600)
- 25-carot Tanzanite with border of 1-carot diamonds on a 24" oxidized silver chain (Retail \$800)











You Can Be the Conductor!

Imagine yourself conducting an entire orchestra before a lively and appreciative audience. This can be you! One lucky winner will conduct a spirited rendition of that longtime Crowden tradition, *Fiddle Faddle*, at our annual Crowden School Spring Concert in May 2020. Feel the exhilaration of conducting our inspiring young musicians in their final concert of the year.

You'll be following in the footsteps of such Maestros as **John Adams**, **Donald Runnicles**, and **Michael Morgan** when you take up the coveted baton for this beloved annual tradition.

No conducting experience is required, and the winning bidder may request a private conducting lesson with Crowden's Board Chair, **Cary Koh.** In just 20 minutes with Cary, you will know all you need to make a great showing in your premiere as a world-class conductor. We will even provide you with your very own keepsake conductor's baton!

New or seasoned conductors will appreciate the opportunity to show off their skills for Crowden families, students, alumni, and friends in our largest and most vivacious concert of the year. This is a truly priceless opportunity!





