Travel in 2017 - Tips for "green" destinations from July till December 2017
Darmstadt, February 2nd, 2017 *** Now it is time to plan your vacation for the best time of the year - holidays! Also for the second half of the year, Green Pearls® is providing tips for sustainable travel with fun! Important are regionality, a thoughtful attitude with nature and humans, conservation of limited resources as well as a responsible environmental management!

July: Water fun at Lake Constance

Lake Constance is showing its Mediterranean side at summer time. Diverse lidos offer excellent possibilities for bathing and swimming within a lakeshore of 170 kilometers. In many of the lidos, the beach is very flat towards the lake. Because of the low depth of water, kids will find ideal conditions for their first swimming ambitions. The natural beaches are insider tips amongst connoisseurs. The pebble stone beach is natural, flat and borders small forests. Parking lots and restaurants cannot be found, but unspoiled and calm nature. Trend sports such as stand-up paddling and SUP-yoga are on the agenda, as well as paddling and pedal boats. Looking for an accommodation, the Biohotel Mohren is the perfect place to be. Over four generations, the guesthouse has become an organic hotel today and is characterized by lovely rooms and an outstanding culinary offer: everything is hundred per cent organic and taken from the own farm or cattle breeding. At the Spa, guests enjoy an alpine hut sauna, a herbal steam bath, a sanarium, a rocket shower and relaxing garden.
August: Once in a lifetime being a princess....

Have you ever stayed in a castle? On the Swiss part of Lake Constance region, fairy tale dreams will become true at Schloß Wartegg. Already Emperor Zita took a stroll along the majestic English park which is the biggest hotel park in Switzerland. Besides the lovely garden, playful watercourses and soft glades, one can discover the castle sheep. Lovers of culture will like the ambitious culture and concert program - the hotel is a preferred location for solo artists, choirs, ensembles and bands, who get inspired by the wonderful nature. Holiday princesses and princes will relax at the historic "Turquoise Bath", a bathing oval from 1928. In between, the youngsters are going on a discovery tour. Young naturalists will be enthusiastic about the English Park. Just around the corner of the castle, kids will find a playground. The generously equipped children's play room guarantees fun. The word "sustainable" is not being overstrained, it is naturally practiced, without ideology. The shortest way
from the producer into the kitchen, goes through the castle garden. Here on an area of 2,500 square meters, organic vegetable, herbs, berries and flowers are planted.

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September: Flirting & honeymooning on Bali

Bali is the right spot for lovers. The affection of the locals and the beautiful nature are searching one's peers. The Sol Beach House is the only hotel on Bali built in a natural lagoon, that preserves its authentic flora and fauna. Located on 1.66 hectares at Tanjung Benoa, one will find paradisiacal tropical gardens. Besides the relaxing program with traditional massages, the island is offering much more. Tirta Gangga, the charming former summer place of the last king of Karangasem, is today used as a swimming pool. The temples are, in comparison to other Asian destinations, relatively simple but if you ever join a holy ceremony, you will not be disappointed. The village of Jatiluwih is located at one of the best lookouts of the islands with a view over the rice terraces. To climb the volcano Gunung Batur, with its two tops overlooking the crater lake of a little village, is a must!
October: Oyster massage und professional soccer

Hotel owner Özaltin Holding is regarded as a pioneer for sustainable holidays in Turkey. Needless to say what it means in a destination like Turkey. The Gloria Verde Resort shows that it is possible to manage a resort in a different way. It is situated within a forest of pines, in total silence and harmony with nature, directly located at the sea. At the Asklépion SPA & Thalasso, relaxation plays an important role: Guests can enjoy an oyster massage with volcanic oysters, natural minerals, seaweeds and magnesium. The golfing massage helps against muscles tension and is regulating the lymphs and and palliates muscle pain as well as strengthen the elasticity. On top of massages, the health center offers a combination of a Spa and different treatments such as Thalasso-therapy and training workshops. Say no to sports? Offers such as Aerobic, Spinning, Crunch, Powerball, Cardio Mix, Powercircuit, BOSU, Pilates Mat Work, Step, Tennis and diverse water sports will convince even movement muffles. The Gloria Hotels & Resorts Soccer Center is host of world-famous soccer clubs. It is equipped with four soccer grounds, according to UEFA standards. Hobby players and kids are invited to have a good romp such as the
November: Glamping in Cambodia

The Cardamom Hills can be found in a protected rainforest eco-region and are home to threatened animals such as clouded leopards, lesser one-horned rhinoceros, Indonesian tigers, Asian elephants or Siamese crocodiles. On the crystal clear Tatai River, experts guide through enchanted water ways and mangrove forests. Who loves campfire romance is right at the 4 Rivers Floating Lodge, but without an uncomfortable air mattress. The luxury tents made from eco material offer full comfort for the guests. Valentin Pawlik developed the idea for a floating resort after a meeting with the owner of the Wildlife Alliance, a NGO actively protecting the forests of the Cardamom Hills. Archetypes are the floating villages at the Mekong Delta or on the Tonle Sap Lake. The site was built completely sustainable without causing damage to flora & fauna in order to protect this beautiful piece of earth.
December: Cleaning the coral reef at Kho Phi Phi

The Andaman Sea is home to a diversity of fishes and corals. One who has seen the picturesque colorful flowers under water, will always come back. Needless to say, that the year-round diving place is appealing to divers from all over the world. But the corals are endangered. After he joined a workshop, the Austrian hotel manager Florian Hallermann had the vision to train guests to protect the underwater world. His employer the Zeavola Resort, was awarded as a Green Fin Resort by the Phuket Marine Biological Centre. He is also proud of other initiatives such as the cooperation with the Laem Tong School where the resort provides a free lunch on Fridays for the school kids. Hotel guests are motivated to act as waiters and to get in contact with the little ones, a project that is highly favored. Luxury and sustainable engagement do not have to be a contradiction, demonstrated by the Zeavola in an impressive way. Local experiences give something back to the communities and guest will take home authentic memories.
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Among the criteria of admission to Green Pearls, are a sustainability plan on management level, sustainable architecture, comprehensive water, energy saving and waste recovery measures, the use of seasonal and regional ingredients in the kitchen, as well as a large commitment for the social balance in each of the vacation regions.

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