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The ‘IN’ Crowd

There are some people who epitomise particular destinations. They return year after year, know everything and everyone. Daisy Allsup has been considering what they might be like in five other-popular summer destinations.

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Across the pond Hank is swinging duffle bags for their 4th of July weekend in

Twins Billy and Bonnie bounce down the steps of the brownstone, Mom Gaby right behind with long legs, a swinging ponytail and four tennis racquets tucked beneath her arm. The entire family is wearing matching shorts, white lace-up sneakers and their beloved ACK hoodies. They’re off to the Grey Lady of Nantucket for four days of good old-fashioned fun! The White Elephant is the place to stay; they take a family suite which comes with its own porch and rocker where Grandpa sits to read his paper, or rather his iPad. Plus, it’s just a stone’s throw from Main Street and the kids’ favourite ice cream parlour, The Juice Bar. If it’s rainy there’s Nantucket Bookworks for storytime, and the Whaling Museum just up the road. Luckily this weekend the weatherman promised them non-stop sunshine; the whole family is getting together at Cisco Brewery where there’ll be spicy oysters and lobster rolls on tap.

PR guru Pandora has just discovered

A tip-off from a tennis pal at the Hurlingham. And isn’t it just heaven? She can laze by the pool with her girlfriends whilst a gorgeously tanned public school gappy called Lucas brings little plates of tzatziki and bottles of very pale rosé on ice. She hasn’t seen the teenagers all week but she knows they’re happy; thanks to the hunky boat boys, Poppy has finally committed to learning to sail and George has barely stepped away from his ‘crew’ at the ping pong table. The Shearer family who own the place are perfectly charming and wander about, always on hand. Just this morning Pandora splashed out on a new Pippa Holt kaftan from their daughter’s on-site boho-chic boutique. Maybe it will do for the obligatory party; this week’s theme is Baywatch.
Emma's parents strapped up a villa on Vale de Lobo's 14th green when she was a teen.

Now her boys are strapping teens themselves, off on the golf course with Roger most days, so finally she lets some time to flop by the pool. Not that she hops much. She was a junior tennis champion for Bucks for goodness sake and the ladder at the Vale de Lobo Tennis Academy is taken very seriously. She comes down with a bunch of girlfriends when the boys are safely back at school/unil and things get pretty competitive. But in the holidays, it's really all about the boys. The Smith-Richardsons are staying and their girls have turned into goddesses, there's bound to be some action at Gecko's tonight. She needs to book BJ's on the beach for lunch — being a regular doesn't guarantee a table anymore. Clams, vino verde, a sing-a-long, that should break the ice between gauche teens.

Charlottte has been coming to ROCK

Ever since she was a little girl. But this year she has drawn the line at yet another week in the cottage her mother-in-law has taken since Henry was tiny, so they are staying at the St Enodoc. In truth she is feeling a bit guilty. There are so many wagging tails outside The Oyster Catcher she can't see which is hers. She scans the terrace; eventually she sets eyes on Lupo who is having his ears pulled by Walter's friend Tarquin. They've spent the morning at Polzeath bodyboarding. David Cam in 'holiday-mode' is perched on the wall with a pint of Doom Bar. He's still wearing his wetsuit peeled down to the waist; Charlotte remembers their teenage encounter on Daymer Bay. She quickly rounds up her gang and decides it's lunchtime: Cornish pasties from Cough's!

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**Calypso**
- Stays at Nobu Bay Ibiza
- £6,999 p/w in Aug. For a family of 4 in a Deluxe Garden View, b&b incl flights.

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**Pandora's week at the Peligoni**
- Costs £6,500 for 2 adults and 2 teenagers incl Club Membership, car hire and s/c accommodation.

[peligoni.com](http://peligoni.com)

**Gaby's stay at The White Elephant**
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[scottdunn.com](http://scottdunn.com)

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[johnbraycottages.co.uk](http://johnbraycottages.co.uk)

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