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FACT SHEET: CHILDREN'S PROGRAM AT THE CASAMAGNA MARRIOTT CANCUN RESORT

"MARRIOTT KIDS" CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

Available year-round for children ages four through 12. Daily supervised activities from 10:00 a.m. through 4:00 p.m. include Spanish lessons, swimming contests, sand castle contests, water balloon and beach contests, arts and crafts, piñatas and water gun games. There are also "Rainy Day" activities, which offer painting, table games, movies and much more. The program includes lunch in *La Isla* restaurant with a menu featuring kids favorites such as hot dogs, quesadillas, chicken fingers, peanut butter sandwiches, cheese or club sandwiches, fruit plates, juice or soda. There is also a playground and a "Marriott Kids" activities room, equipped with English and Spanish language television stations, videos, Nintendo 64, and board games.

The cost of daily membership is \$20 per child, per day, which includes lunch and a Marriott Kids T-shirt. Children can also join the program on an hourly rate for just \$3.50 per hour, which does not include lunch. Guests should register 24 hours in advance at the health club (ext. 6316) or at the Concierge desk (ext. 16).

THE WARNER HOUR, CRAYOLA DESK AND HASBRO CABINET

Warner Movies, Crayola and Hasbro are all official sponsors of the CasaMagna Marriott Cancun's children's programs. They supply the activities room with English and Spanish children's books and coloring books, color markers, footballs, Frisbees, the latest Warner movies and much more. All of the guest rooms and the "Marriott Kids" activities room receive the Cartoon Network in both English and Spanish. Children enrolled in the "Marriott Kids" program will receive a free T-shirt upon arrival.

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BABY-SITTING

Baby-sitting services are available 24 hours, and can be arranged for children of any age through the resort's Concierge. Requests should be made 24 hours in advance. Rates are based on an hourly rate: \$10 for one child, \$12 for two children, \$14 for three children, and \$16 for four children.

FAMILY EXCURSIONS AND ATTRACTIONS

Cancun offers a host of activities and nearby excursions that the entire family will enjoy together. From water sports to archaeological ruins, Cancun has something for everyone.

Just to name a few, Cancun's Hotel Zone boasts mini-golf and the Sub-See Explorers' yellow submarines, which allows one to view the beautiful waters of the Caribbean from beneath the surface. The newest family attraction in Cancun is the Wet 'n Wild park offering 17.6 acres of aquatic fun with seven different water slides, a wave pool, an interactive dolphin program and a beach club with wave runner and jet ski rental, plus much more.

For families who want to venture beyond Cancun for the day, the possibilities are endless. Just an hour-and-a-half drive from the CasaMagna Marriott is the Xcaret ecological water park. Here, families can float down an underground river through limestone caves and grottos, swim with the dolphins or relax on the beach of a private cove. A visit to the Sian Ka'an Biosphere Reserve highlights the diverse plant life and wildlife of the region.

Both adults and children will enjoy learning about the ancient Mayan civilization that flourished on the Yucatan Peninsula more than a thousand years ago. The Chichen Itza, Tulum and Coba ruin sites are all within a few hours drive from Cancun.

Families can also participate in aiding the recovery of Mexico's sea turtle population with Marriott's "Sea Turtle Preservation Program" which runs from May through October. Aided by the resort staff, families can release the tiny baby turtles on the beach, and ensure their safety.

The full-time concierge and tour desk at the Marriott CasaMagna can provide more information on these and other excursions/activities.

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