The Host is on Holiday: Avani Takes Care of Christmas

Five festive escapes that put the Christmas organizer on the guest list



November 9, 2026: This festive season, Avani Hotels & Resorts is giving the person who usually makes Christmas happen a well-deserved break. With **The Host Is on Holiday**, the brand brings together five festive escapes across Thailand, the Maldives, Spain and Laos, inviting the family organizer to swap planning and preparations for a holiday of their own. For the one who remembers everyone's dietary requirements, keeps the celebrations running and rarely makes it into the family photograph, it is finally time to sit back, join the fun and enjoy every moment, from the first toast to the last course.

Hand Over the Holiday Entertainment at Avani+ Khao Lak Resort, Thailand

Keeping the children entertained can be a full-time festive assignment. At Avani+ Khao Lak Resort, there is a team with a few ideas of its own. Santa’s Lost Gift Hunt, hands-on Christmas crafts and a chance to meet Santa by the sea give younger guests plenty to look forward to. Between festivities, the climbing wall and AvaniFarm keep active and curious

minds occupied. Parents can make plans of their own, starting with an AvaniSpa treatment or a long walk along the beach. Everyone comes back together for festive dining, with the children bringing the stories and the resort taking care of dinner.

Make Time to Join In at Avani+ Fares Maldives Resort, Maldives

The person behind the family itinerary deserves to be in the middle of the adventure. At Avani+ Fares Maldives Resort in Baa Atoll, that might mean a castaway lunch on a sandbank, a spirited game of bubble football or a family film under the stars. Pirate treasure hunts and the kids' and teens' clubs give younger guests adventures of their own, while Petit Bistro puts them at the center of the dining experience too. For parents, a Pearl of the Atoll treatment at AvaniSpa makes a welcome addition to the schedule. There is time for everyone to do their own thing, then come back together for the moments that make a family holiday.

Let Madrid Do the Cooking at Avani Alonso Martínez Madrid, Spain

This Christmas, let Madrid take care of the cooking. At Avani Alonso Martínez Madrid Hotel in Chamberí, breakfast at The Pantry sets guests up for a day of exploring the city's Christmas markets, cafés and tapas bars. Guests can also roll up their sleeves for a churro-making workshop with San Ginés, learning to make the crisp, golden churros that have made the historic churrería a Madrid institution. Elsewhere, neighborhood tapas bars provide plenty of reasons to stay away from the kitchen, while seasonal workshops range from Christmas crafts to a "Collage of Intentions" vision board for the year ahead. After dark, the Christmas lights along Gran Vía set the scene for a leisurely stroll before dinner at a neighborhood restaurant.

Slow the Season Down at Avani+ Luang Prabang, Laos

Five courses, good company and every reason to linger. Christmas Eve dinner at Avani+ Luang Prabang is served poolside by the fire pit, leaving the family host free to enjoy the conversation while someone else takes care of the next course. The slower pace carries into days spent cycling through the UNESCO-listed old town, browsing local handicrafts or joining a meditation session with a monk. A sunset cruise on the Mekong offers another reason to leave the schedule loose. Back at the hotel, a courtyard swim, a few chapters of a book or an open-air film can fill the evening quite nicely.

Leave the Countdown to Avani+ Riverside Bangkok Hotel, Thailand

For the person still trying to get the New Year's Eve group chat to agree on a plan, Avani+ Riverside Bangkok Hotel has a ready-made answer. Its Celestial Empire celebration welcomes 2027 across SEEN and SIN, with dining, cocktails, live entertainment and DJs leading up to midnight fireworks over the Chao Phraya River. Dining and bar packages make it easy to choose the evening's plans, while a river-facing room keeps the journey home short. Arrive in time for an afternoon by the infinity pool, then leave the evening's running order to the team. The party planner has a party to enjoy.

For festive stays and the latest hotel programs, visit avanihotels.com/en/festive-celebrations. Dining and activities vary by property and may require advance reservations and additional charges.









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