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Relationships, family orientation and group harmony are a few top cultural values in India. And why should know this? Well, not many people consider India a great destination for family holidays. Unfavourable weather conditions, questionable standards of sanitation and hygiene and the absence of an Indian Disney Land don't amount to much of a holiday especially if you have a handful of toddlers.

But going back to the cultural values of India, if you're willing to overlook a little bit of the grime and heat, India makes for a rather ideal family holiday destination. That's because in no other country would allow you the experience of taking home a few cultural values that you wouldn't mind imbibing as a family. For instance, the hospitality you receive from everyone out here is so overwhelming that you'll be forced to redefine warmth and generosity. Indians are forgiving, patient, tolerant and bighearted and to experience these on a holiday outside home is a rarity. Also, exposing your family to such great values while they're out on a fun-trip should make for a great holiday. Of course, the added plus on an Indian holiday are its tourist-friendly destinations and tours. However, given that India is a vast country and there's too much to see and experience, planning your holiday, particularly a family one, extremely well is almost critical. So to avoid the wrath of a sulking spouse or the tantrums of cranky kids, plan well.

One way to ensure little goes wrong on a family holiday is to opt for a family vacation package put together by any of the leading tour operators in India. But if you want to gets your hands dirty then here are a few top family holiday recommendations.

Goa is a popular choice for families. Sandy beaches, thrilling water sports, great almost-all-year-round and a healthy nightlife- Goa seems to have thought of all age groups! Goa is also one place in India where you won't feel compelled to rush from one monument to another. If you can avoid that with kids, you can't ask for more on a holiday. New Delhi, India's capital makes for another ideal destination again because of the variety in offers in terms of adventure, fun and relaxation. Museums, amusement parks, art and craft fairs, malls and gardens are the extras that Delhi offers when you need a break from its historical monuments. Delhi is a shopper's paradise too; so you're looking to pick up more than just souvenirs then youâ€™ll strike gold here.

Rajasthan is another popular destination when on a family holiday. Racing down sand dunes, riding elephant back, chancing upon a tiger in the wild and camel races. All these make for a good substitute for Disney Land! Again, this is not all. Rajasthan is populated with beautiful forts, palaces and ramparts that make for ideal picnic spots.

So if it's not for the top cultural values that you'd consider India as an ideal family holiday destination, do so for the fact that there's as much fun, adventure, learning and love that you can experience out here. After all, aren't great holidays all about just that?

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