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From the Big Cities to the Small Towns, Holiday Hotel Deals in the U.S. Abound

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Although many of us increasingly shop online for our holiday gifts, nothing quite replaces the idea of heading to a city for special items, along with a bit of winter food, fun, and relaxation. We've rounded up a handful of promotions designed to make holiday-related travel easier, whether you're responding to the call of family, shopping, or any other occasion, and in destinations warm or cold, larger or small.

The **Affinia Manhattan** (tel. **212/563-1800**; www.affinia.com) "Miracle on 31st Street" package starts at \$239 per night and includes a whole bunch of holiday fun: a VIP skating package at Bryant Park, free hot chocolate, two free skate rentals; a ten% off savings pass and tote bag for Macy's; two holiday cocktails at the hotel bar, in-room products from Israeli body care line Ahava; and cookies, hot cocoa and other in-room treats. This package reflects a savings of \$125 and is offered through December 30 based on availability. The hotel is located across the street from Madison Square Garden, Penn Station and within easy walking distance of both Times Square and Macy's. Oh -- one more thing. You can borrow the film *Miracle On 34th Street* and watch it in your room after a long day of shopping.