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New ideas for an
old tradition

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REUNIONS

Family reunions are much more than matching T-shirts and getting that third cousin's name off the tip of your tongue. Meeting up with seldom-seen relatives is a great time to sit with an elder and ask about his/her life as a kid or learn about the ambitions of a great nephew; time together is what it's all about. This month, in honor of the upcoming summer family reunion season, we wanted to share a few venue options. Did we miss your favorite? Please let us know.



Solage Calistoga, Calistoga

General manager Richard Hill credits the resort's open and relaxed environment for its family-friendly appeal. "Families may spend a leisurely afternoon together at our designated family pool, enjoy a round of friendly competition at our bocce courts or organize a group biking activity using our complimentary cruiser bicycles. There's something for everyone." Besides bocce or shuffleboard, Solage Calistoga also offers a range of fitness activities geared to all ages and fitness levels. And if your family includes canine companions, they are welcome too—their own comfy doggie beds and tasty biscuits supplied. Be sure to request the

cottages that can be connected to form your own family compound.

STATS: The resort has 89 freestanding studios ranging from 400 to 700 square feet and three swimming pools, including a family and a spa pool. Kids can play hopscotch while the older generations congregate at the shuffleboard and bocce areas.

FAMILY PLAN: Hold the reunion during the summer for added family-ready activities like movie nights, kids' swim lessons and group yoga classes. The resort can even arrange for a family picnic complete with touch football and potato sack races. The separate children's pool and family cabana are a welcome way to enjoy to the wine country's balmy climate.

ROOMS start at \$375. 866.942.7442, solagecalistoga.com