# **CORPORATE JET-SETTERS**

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# Most memorable trip to any destination in India or abroad and why?

I love Tuscany and it is one of my favourite destinations. The gentle rolling hills, fields of sunflowers and vineyards that stretch as far as the eye can see, small hamlets, lone houses and churches dotting the fields, Tuscany represents everything that is quintessentially 'Italian'. It also boasts the world's most precious art, and me being a fantasy artist myself, what more could I ask for?

#### Dream destination and why?

I wouldn't say a dream destination, but Egypt has always intrigued me. This is one place I would like to visit soon.

#### Favourite airline and why?

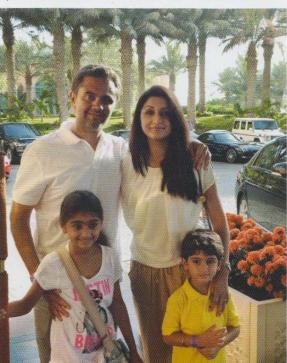
I generally travel by British Airways because it is convenient when I am travelling to London; but my favourite airline has to be Virgin, because the service they provide to their consumers is impeccable. They are trendy, corporate and innovative and began at a smaller level, taking on the big giants, quite like what we at I Brands Beverages are trying to do. The private check-in in their First Class is quite exciting.

## Best hotel experience and why?

The Leela Palace New Delhi. It is a phenomenal hotel in the quality of luxury it provides and service. I always stay there when I travel to Delhi and have all my meetings at the Club floor. The staff are warm and go out of their way to make us feel comfortable. The food is also impeccable – the restaurant Megu is by far the best place for Japanese food in India.

# A family vacation that stands out?

Christmas in London, every year. We have a home in Richmond and my parents are from Leeds, so every year, we make it a point to celebrate Christmas back there. We take the kids





to Santa Grottos, visit new restaurants, decorate our home; Christmas is special when I am in London.

# A place you plan to visit again?

Capri in Italy.

#### Your best holiday with friends?

A holiday with my girlfriends to Koh Samni and Koh Phangan, Thailand, a couple of years ago. It was beautiful. I could let my hair down. The water was beautiful and we went cave exploring, diving and snorkelling. And, of course, we partied like there was no tomorrow.

#### Great food you enjoyed and where?

Chotto Matte in Soho, London. It serves the best Japanese Peruvian street food and is one of my favourite restaurants. The oyster with pepper potato puree, Black Cod and the Coconut Puffe Ice Cream with Salted Caramel was to die for.

#### Your best shopping destination worldwide?

I love shopping, be it clothes, shoes and bags. I have shopped in Dubai, Singapore, New York, Milan, Paris, Hong Kong, etc. But, nothing beats London for me. I love the fashion sense of people from the UK and the High Street style. It may also be due to the fact that I know the place very well.

### Three must-have features of a vacation for you?

Friends, family and good food.:)

