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PARENTS with young children can now take a family city break with some time to themselves through a package created by Novotel Sydney on Darling Harbour.

The Angels to the Rescue package includes overnight stays for two adults and two children and four hours' babysitting by Dial-an-Angel.

There is also a baby kit comprising cot, wipes and nappies. Older children will receive a gift when they check in. A book of discount vouchers for family attractions is also included along with free breakfast for the youngsters when dining with their parents.

The package is priced from \$333, valid until December 28 this year.

Details: 9288 7180, novoteldarlingharbour.com.au

NEW Zealand's South Island isn't just famous for its skiing. Head to the town of Glenorchy, at the head of Lake Wakatipu near Queenstown, and you will find plenty of luxury accommodation options.

Among the properties is Glenorchy Lake House (pictured), a B&B which has just had a third room added to its tranquil lakeside address. It can now cater for eight people, ideal for two families or groups of friends.

Glenorchy Lake House is the sister property to renowned Kinloch Lodge and is bordered on two sides by a reserve with 360-degree views of the lake and mountains.

As well as hiking, the area is famous for jet boating, horse riding, kayaking, mountain biking, fly fishing, canyoning and, of course, skiing during the winter months.

Rooms on a bed-and-breakfast basis start from \$245 per couple per night.

Details: 0011 64 03442 7084, glenorchylakehouse.co.nz

