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Jesemine and Ida are co-creators of the Starbrite Kids' program.

A portion of the Starbrite Kids' Program will be donated to children's charities.

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The Starbrite Kids' Program Provides Three Travel Options:

Organized Starbrite Kids' group cruises scheduled throughout the year, which will include onboard a special needs certified staff;

Support families who arrange their own group cruises and we will plan, book, and provide support on the trip;

Make accommodations for individual family travel by assisting you to choose and book your destinations.



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Jesemine Jones and Ida Keiper founders of Starry Night Travel, LLC created the Starbrite Kids' program specializing in accommodating travel for children with special needs including autism, Aspergers syndrome, cognitive and developmental disabilities. In a combined 50 years experience working with children with special needs and their families, they heard repeatedly how difficult or impossible it was for the families to travel. The stress and transitions were typically more than the children could handle.



The Starbrite Kids' travel program is dedicated to providing families of children with special needs the help and support needed to make travel not just possible, but a rewarding and enriching experience. This includes helping to choose a destination, book accommodations, and fully prepare for the vacation. The Starbrite Kids' staff assists families, enabling them to plan for a family vacation they may have not thought possible.



Starbrite Kids' Program

Applying a series of techniques and following a few easy steps with your child, leading up to and during your vacation, you will have tools to help reduce the stresses that may have seemed overwhelming in the past. The Starbrite Kids' program encompasses the four stages of preparing for a vacation. First, we DREAM. The world and beyond is open to us. Think about where you and your family have always wanted to go. Be realistic. Then we help you DECIDE on the right vacation for you and your family. This includes reviewing your family's individual needs: budget, physical, developmental, and cognitive limitations, etc. The third stage is DRY RUN. Practice makes perfect. Rehearse your upcoming vacation to the tiniest detail. The final stage is DEPART. Our staff will provide you with documents and checklists to ensure you have everything you need for your vacation.

Prior to travel, you will be provided with:

- **Pre-trip questionnaire to assess special provisions needed;**
- **Suggested hotels, all inclusive resorts, and cruise lines that will provide special provisions;**
- **Important tips and information to prepare you for your trip;**
- **Visual stories.**

Consultants

Emily A. Jones, Ph.D. BCBA-D, received her doctorate in clinical psychology from the State University of New York Stony Brook. She is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychology at Queens College. Dr. Jones's research involves the development and demonstration of interventions to address early emerging core deficits in young children with developmental disabilities such as autism and Down syndrome.

Davy Rosenzweig, B.A. in Psychology, M.F.A. Sarah Lawrence College. Ms. Rosenzweig is a writer with training in the field of children with autism. She also has over 25 years of experience in the entertainment and software industries.

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