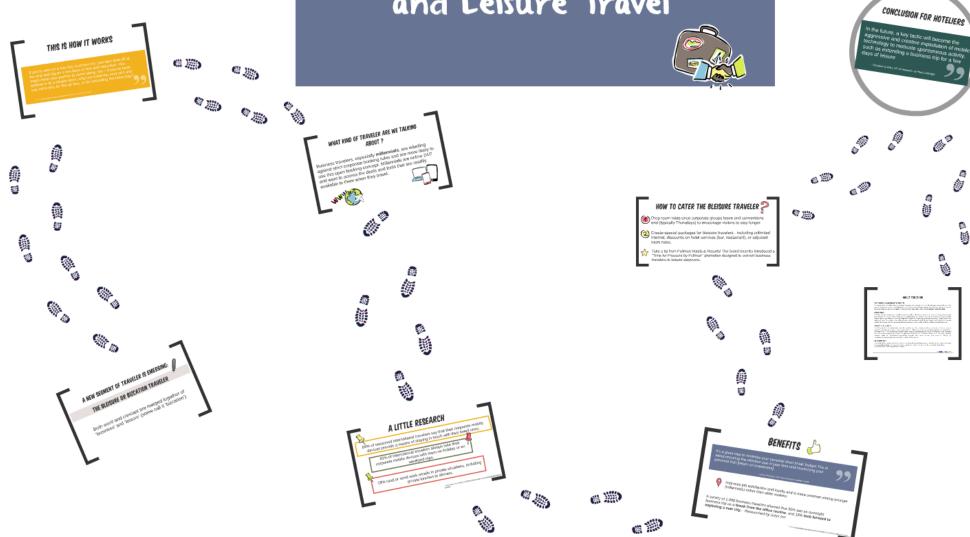
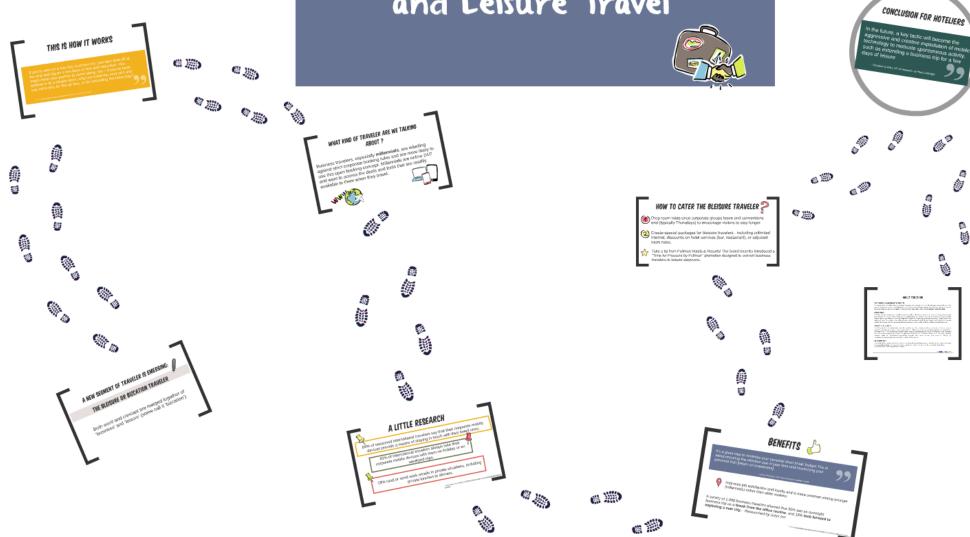
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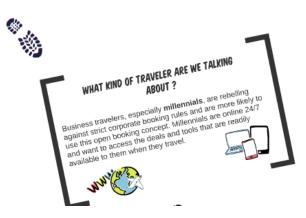


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A NEW SEGMENT OF TRAVELER IS EMERGING:



THE BLEISURE OR BIZCATION TRAVELER

Both word and concept are merged together of 'business' and 'leisure' (some call it 'bizcation')

THIS IS HOW IT WORKS

If you're sent on a two-day business trip, you take time off at the end and tag on a few days of rest and relaxation. You might invite your partner to come along, too – if you've been booked in to a double room, why not make the most of it and pay extra only for the air fare, or for extending the hotel stay?

Source: http://buyingbusinesstravel.com/feature/2021141-special-report-bleisure-principle

WHAT KIND OF TRAVELER ARE WE TALKING ABOUT?

Business travelers, especially **millennials**, are rebelling against strict corporate booking rules and are more likely to use this open booking concept. Millennials are online 24/7 and want to access the deals and tools that are readily available to them when they travel.





A LITTLE RESEARCH

89% of seasoned international travelers say that their corporate mobile devices provide a means of staying in touch with their loved ones.

43% of international travelers always take their corporate mobile devices with them on holiday or on weekend trips.

18% read or send work emails in private situations, including private lunches or dinners.

Source: http://skift.com/2013/10/09/the-blurring-of-personal-and-professional-lives-of-travelers



BENEFITS

It's a great way to minimize your personal short break budget. This is about ensuring the effective use of your time and maximizing your personal ROI [return on investment].

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- LeRoy Sheppard, UK sales director at Maritim Hotels



Improves job satisfaction and loyalty and is more common among younger (millennials) rather than older workers

A survey of 1,000 business travelers showed that 35% see an overnight business trip as a **break from the office routine**, and 19% **look forward to exploring a new city.** - Researched by Jurys Inn

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HOW TO CATER THE BLEISURE TRAVELER



- Drop room rates once corporate groups leave and conventions end (typically Thursdays) to encourage visitors to stay longer.
- Create special packages for bleisure travelers, including unlimited internet, discounts on hotel services (bar, restaurant), or adjusted room rates.



Take a tip from Pullman Hotels & Resorts! The brand recently introduced a "Time for Pleasure by Pullman" promotion designed to convert business travelers to leisure stayovers.



CONCLUSION FOR HOTELIERS

In the future, a key tactic will become the aggressive and creative exploitation of mobile technology to motivate spontaneous activity, such as extending a business trip for a few days of leisure

- Douglas Quinby, VP of research at PhoCusWright

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