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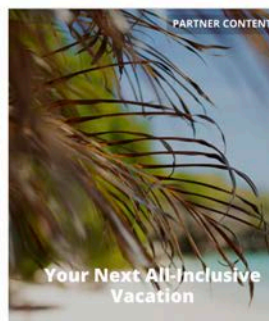
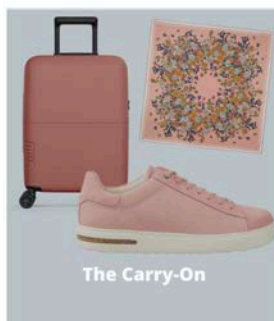
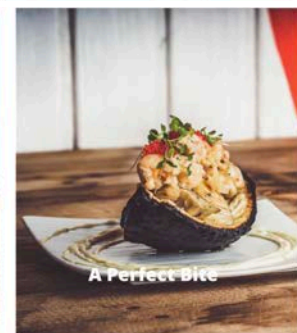
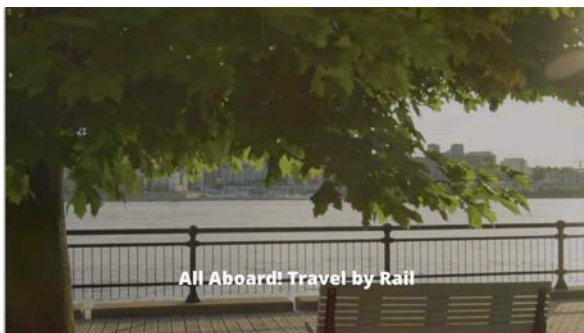
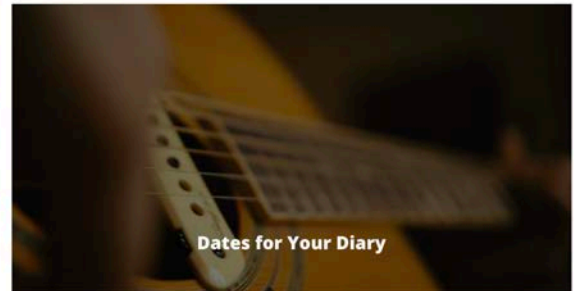
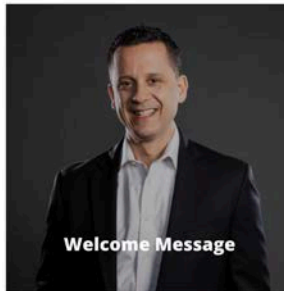
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Welcome to your first *Club Traveler* magazine issue of 2024! We started the year off strong with the Hilton Grand Vacations Tournament of Champions from January 18–21, as well as the exciting announcement about the closing of HGV's acquisition of Bluegreen Vacations.

One of the highlights for me at this year's Tournament of Champions was talking with Onkar Birk, HGV's chief technology officer, about the enhancements he and his team have been working on for 2024 that will make your online experience with us even better. We also spoke about the recent launch of our unified website where Members and Owners can access their accounts through a single portal, streamlining the login process and making it easier to manage multiple accounts.

In the announcement of the Bluegreen Vacations acquisition, you've likely read the update from our President and CEO Mark Wang about the changes we anticipate as we combine these two great companies into one. I'm looking forward to everything the future holds for our Owners and Members, and I hope you are as excited as we are about the opportunities that lie ahead.

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Giving Back to Our Hawaii 'Ohana

In 2023, the Lahaina community faced devastating wildfires that put a halt to daily activities. As the island continues to recover and welcome back visitors with open arms, our second destination feature, *Mālama Hawai'i*, highlights six immersive experiences that promise enjoyment and meaningful contributions during your next stay on the islands. Whether it's whale watching with a citizen science mission, embracing sustainable farming practices or taking part in rebuilding forests on The Big Island, there are many ways to enrich your vacation and support the resilient communities of Hawaii.

All Aboard! Exploring North America by Rail

Speaking of features, our cover article will provide all the inspiration you need to vacation by train with highlights in Vancouver, Chicago and New York City. The article takes you on scenic adventures, starting with the Rocky Mountaineer train in Vancouver, where you'll journey from the city to the stunning sites of Jasper National Park. Farther east, the Amtrak Adirondack train takes you from New York City to the French-speaking city of Montreal, where you can indulge in French-Canadian cuisine. Finally, hop on the Amtrak Empire Builder to experience a voyage from Chicago to the Pacific Northwest, starting with great food and city sights in the Windy City and concluding in the center of Seattle with art, shopping and incredible skyline views from the top of the Space Needle.

Even though we're already in the second quarter of the year, it's never too late to get excited about your annual vacations, and it is our never-ending goal to help you make the most of your ownership with HGV. But don't wait until the last minute — start planning your next vacation today so you can sit back and relax when your vacation time rolls around. I hope this issue inspires you to travel both near and far in 2024.

Happy journeys ahead,

Derek De Salvia

Executive Vice President & Chief Customer Officer
Hilton Grand Vacations

TRAVEL LIKE A

PARK RANGER

Follow these expert tips to embrace nature on your next wilderness adventure

Images: Unsplash

There's nothing like the invigorating experience of exploring a national or state park on vacation, whether you're roaming the wide-open spaces of North America or beyond. And who better to model wilderness travel than those who have dedicated their lives to protecting our parks? Sara Toms-Bergquist, park ranger at Lost Dutchman State Park in Arizona, and Captain Peter Estes from the California State Parks Law Enforcement and Emergency Services Division share their best tips for traveling like a park ranger.



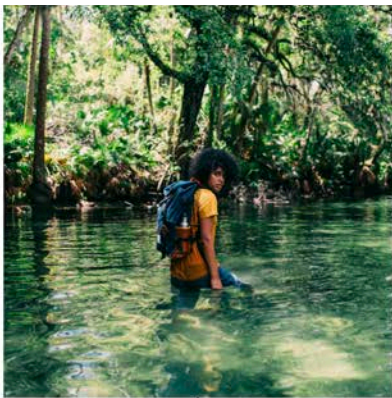
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NATURE HAS ITS OWN AGENDA



EXPLORE RESPONSIBLY

“Every park ranger’s goal is to protect the natural and cultural resources for future generations, and when visitors come in with the same mindset, everyone enjoys their time in the park,” Peter explains. “It is each individual’s responsibility to adhere to the principle of ‘pack it in, pack it out,’ meaning that whatever is brought in should be taken out as well,” Sara says. “These may seem like small tasks but can make a big difference if we all work together.”



BE FLEXIBLE

Travelers should embrace flexibility if the unexpected happens. “Our primary goal is for everyone to have an unforgettable time, but it is crucial to acknowledge that we can’t control nature,” Sara advises. “Whether it’s encountering wildlife, enduring monsoon storms or power outages, nature has its own agenda.”

Peter’s top suggestion when preparing for your trip is having multiple backup options: “Have a plan A, B and C so you can enjoy your time at the park if an outside factor pops up and forces you to change direction.”



DO YOUR RESEARCH

“It is important to research the specific park you want to visit in order to have a better understanding of its offerings,” Sara explains. “For instance, if you plan on hiking in a park, it is advisable to research the trails as they vary in difficulty.” You should also check the weather forecast, especially sunrise and sunset times to be sure you can finish your hike well before dark.

Plan a trip to explore nature with Hilton Grand Vacations.

Dates For Your Diary

Plan your next vacation around these exciting events in the Hilton Grand Vacations resort network

● NOW–MAY 27, 2024



EPCOT INTERNATIONAL FLOWER & GARDEN FESTIVAL

When

Now–May 27, 2024

Where

Orlando, Florida

Why Go

Every spring, this beloved theme park is transformed into a blooming botanical paradise. Visitors can marvel at meticulously landscaped gardens, enchanting topiaries of beloved Disney® characters and majestic floral displays. Don't miss out on the Garden Rocks Concert Series — featuring live performances by renowned artists — and outdoor kitchens offering delectable seasonal cuisine.



Where To Stay

Take your pick from [Parc Soleil, a Hilton Grand](#) family-friendly property that features spacious Suites, or [Grande Villas, a Hilton Vacation Club](#) conveniently located close to Walt Disney World theme parks.

● JUNE 6–9, 2024



CAROLINA COUNTRY MUSIC FEST

When

June 6–9, 2024

Where

Myrtle Beach, South Carolina

Why Go

This is the ultimate country music lover's haven, with electrifying performances by top country artists set against the backdrop of Myrtle Beach's sandy shores. In between all that jiving, make time to enjoy the wide range of Southern culinary delights available. While tickets to this year's concerts are sold out, you can still join the waitlist or sign up to be a volunteer who receives four days of general admission access to the festival.



Where To Stay

Just a stone's throw from the famous boardwalk along the Grand Strand, [Anderson Ocean Club, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club](#) features large, comfortable Suites with fully equipped kitchens. There is also an outdoor pool and a lazy river within the resort.

● JUNE 26–JULY 1, 2024



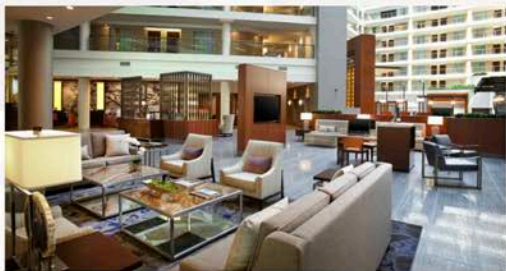
SMITHSONIAN FOLKLIFE FESTIVAL

When
June 26–30, July 3–7, 2024

Where
Washington, D.C.

Why Go

This annual festival is a celebration of diverse cultural traditions, showcasing the rich tapestry of global heritage. The 2024 program, titled “Indigenous Voices of the Americas: Celebrating the National Museum of the American Indian,” will offer a unique perspective into Indigenous communities through storytelling, music performances and ancestral foods.



Where To Stay

Conveniently located between Georgetown and Dupont Circle, [The District, a Hilton Club](#) is a well-appointed property that puts you close to the city’s famous monuments and museums.

● JULY 26–AUGUST 11, 2024



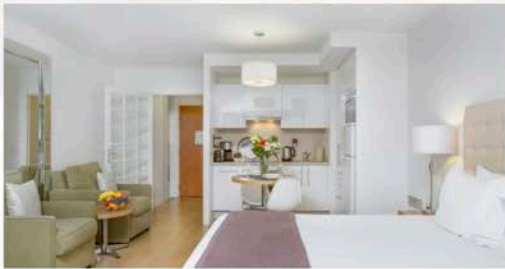
PARIS 2024 OLYMPIC GAMES

When
July 26–August 11, 2024

Where
Paris, France

Why Go

The 2024 Summer Olympic Games in Paris promise a spectacular convergence of athleticism, culture and global unity. Highlights of the Summer Olympics will include marquee events like track and field, gymnastics and swimming, along with new additions such as breakdancing. Beyond the competitions, the City of Love offers a cultural feast with its renowned cuisine, historic landmarks and colorful street life.



Where To Stay

Located in the 12th arrondissement, the [Royal Regency Paris Vincennes](#) is steps away from the city’s largest park, where much of the 1900 Summer Olympics were held. Within each of the Royal Regency’s self-catering Apartments, you’ll find your own private terrace and all the modern conveniences you need for a comfortable stay. And if you want to go out and explore the city, it’s just a short walk to a metro station, giving you direct access to Paris’s key attractions, including the Champs Elysées and the Louvre.

● JULY 26–28, 2024



UKEE DAYS

When

July 26–28, 2024

Where

Ucluelet, British Columbia

Why Go

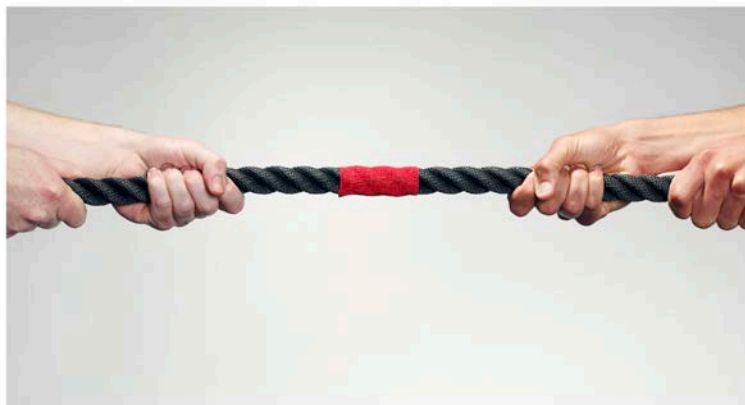
Revel in the laidback spirit of Ucluelet at this convivial celebration held along Canada's West Coast. The 2024 edition marks the 50th anniversary of this iconic event and looks set to draw festivalgoers from far and wide. Families can enjoy parades, delicious local cuisine and outdoor activities amid the stunning seaside scenery.



Where To Stay

Surrounded by picture-perfect views from all angles, [Embarc Ucluelet](#) on Vancouver Island features West Coast cottage-style décor and wide, open living spaces. At your doorstep are gorgeous beaches, pristine rainforests and plenty of opportunities to hike, surf, kayak and fish.

● AUGUST 8, 2024



YONABARU GREAT TUG-OF-WAR FESTIVAL

When

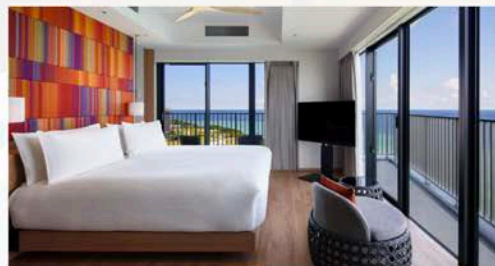
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Where

Okinawa, Japan

Why Go

With a history dating back to the late 15th century, this annual event is deeply rooted in tradition and is a unique blend of folklore, camaraderie and cultural pride. Immerse yourself in the island's vibrant heritage as participants come together to engage in a colossal game of tug-of-war using a nearly 300-foot-long (91-meter) rope that symbolizes unity and community spirit. Other highlights include ceremonial rituals, traditional Okinawan music and dance performances, as well as food stalls hawking local delicacies.



Where To Stay

[The Beach Resort Sesoko, a Hilton Club](#) offers easy access to powdery white sand beaches, crystal clear waters and natural caves. Within the resort, each of the tastefully decorated Suites features ample living space and scenic coastal views.

Travel Tip

Always try to book as early as your reservation windows allow. If you're having difficulty finding availability, call your Owner or Member Services team for assistance.

Thinking of upping the ante with your vacations next year? When you upgrade your membership to HGV Max, you'll open a world of benefits, including discounts across the Hilton portfolio of nearly 7,400 hotels and resorts. For more information, log in to your Member website at Club.HiltonGrandVacations.com.

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Embarc Ucluelet		✓		✓	✓	✓
Parc Soleil, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club	✓	✓		✓		✓
Grande Villas, a Hilton Vacation Club		✓	✓	✓		✓
Anderson Ocean Club, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club	✓	✓		✓		✓
The Beach Resort Sesoko, a Hilton Club	✓	✓		✓		✓
Royal Regency Paris Vincennes		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓



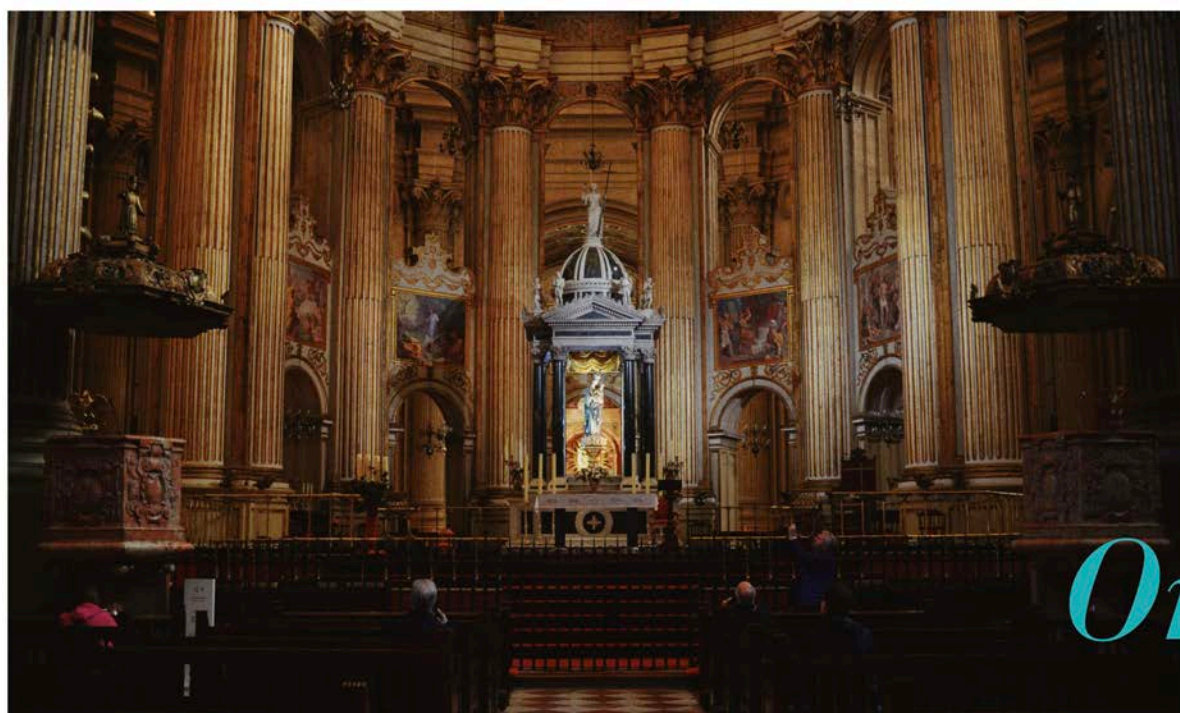
One City, Five Ways

Málaga

Words: Sarah Richards

This vibrant port town on Spain's southern Mediterranean Coast offers nearby beaches, dazzling art and architecture, and the best of Andalusian culture

Over the last two decades, Málaga has emerged as one of Europe's most impressive tourism success stories. One of the continent's oldest cities, it was founded in the eighth century by the Phoenicians and subsequently ruled by the Romans and Arabs. Today, this charming seaside city brings in a record-breaking number of visitors every year — where else can you sip a glass of Ronda white wine next to a Roman theater under the shadow of an 11th-century walled Moorish fort and then hit the beach? From world-class museums and reimagined art spaces to delectable restaurants and cafés, here's your guide to soaking it all in while visiting Málaga.



Málaga Cathedral is a historical gem, filled with wooden statues of the saints
Image by Joel Casey, Unsplash

At the Monuments

The weight of Málaga's past can be seen in the cluster of historical landmarks that are concentrated in the city center. The most famous is undoubtedly the [Alcazaba](#), the medieval Moorish citadel built between 1057 and 1063. The word "Alcazaba" is Arabic for fortification and Málaga's is one of the best preserved in Spain. It's worth the hike up the hill (or take the elevator) for the incredible views of the city and the chance to tour the stunning gardens, arches, fountains and palaces.

Just above it is the [Gibralfaro Castle](#), which was built in the 14th century to protect the Alcazaba. It's a steep hike but well worth the walk for the chance to experience the walled ramparts and take in more breathtaking views.

Down below, you won't want to miss the formidable [Málaga Cathedral](#), built on the site of a mosque in the 1500s. Known as La Manquita (or "one-armed one") because it's missing a tower, the cathedral was constructed in the Renaissance and Baroque styles. It features 40 wood statues of the saints, carved by one of Spain's most celebrated woodworkers of the day.

Two



The city is a delight for art and architecture fans
Image by Sergio Perez Novel, Getty Images

In the Museums

Málaga is Picasso's hometown, so you should prioritize visiting the [Picasso Museum](#) (Museo Picasso Málaga) before exploring some of the city's three dozen other museums. Opened in 2003 in the elegant 16th-century Buenavista Palace, the museum displays the paintings and sculptures of one of the most famous artists of the 20th century. Fans can see the influences of Picasso's youth in Málaga, including bullfighting scenes and the Mediterranean Sea.

The [Málaga Museum](#) (Museo de Málaga) is located in a former customs house that features exhibitions from classical antiquity and paintings chronicling the city's emergence as an industrial and cultural center in the 19th century. Another popular destination is the new [Málaga Automobile and Fashion Museum](#) (Museo Automovilístico y de la Moda de Málaga), which houses more than 80 vintage cars in an architecturally intriguing old tobacco factory.



Hitting the beach, Málaga style
Image by David Soanes, Getty Images

At the Beach

It's easy to see why Playa de la Malagueta is Málaga's most famous beach. Easily accessible from the city center, this long, sandy public beach has plenty of room for everyone. The waves are gentle in this part of the sparkling Mediterranean — the palm trees are swaying and there are chair and umbrella rentals. If you miss the vendors walking by with cold cervezas (beers), check out the local chiringuitos (small beach bars). The popular [Chiringuito Caleta Playa](#) serves many kinds of seafood, including sardines grilled over an open fire, a local favorite.

If you want to explore some of the area's quieter beaches and feast on more local barbecue, check out Playa el Palo or Playas de las Acacias, both reachable by taxi or scooter.

Four



The stunning Nerja Caves make for a mesmerizing day trip
Image by Javier Zayas Photography, Getty Images

In the Wine Caves

The warm, dry climate and soil diversity of Andalusia has made Málaga a celebrated wine-growing region. There are five distinct zones — each with its own terroir — but the most famous varieties are the Málaga fruity white wines and dessert wines made from muscatel and Pedro Ximénez grapes. It's well worth a stop at some of the most popular wineries near Ronda, such as [Doña Felisa Winery](#) and [Bodega García Hidalgo](#), which offer lovely afternoons of tastings and tapas.

Back in the city, you can sample them all at the many wine bars, including [La Vinoteca de Moreno & Monroy](#) in the historic center of Málaga, where you can have a glass alongside Andalusian specialties while sitting at a table made from a wine barrel. The sleek [Vertical Wine Bar](#) offers a whopping 50 types of wine by the glass daily with food pairing suggestions.



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The area is known for its wine and beautiful wineries
Image by Margarita Almpenezou, Getty Images

Looking for a fun day trip? It's just a two-hour train ride from Málaga to the magnificent mountain city of Ronda, set atop the dramatic El Tajo gorge, where legend has it that it rains upward. As you cross the New Bridge (Puente Nuevo) over the Guadalevín River, admire views into the walled, Arabic old town. Other highlights include an 18th-century bullring and the [Mondragón Palace](#) (Palacio de Mondragón), which showcases the region's archaeological history. Make a reservation for lunch on the plaza at the upscale Casa Maria restaurant.

When you're closer to sea level, don't miss the beautiful coastal town of Nerja, located an hour east of Málaga. A paved overlook with white arches called the Balcony of Europe (Balcón de Europa) offers breathtaking views of the Mediterranean Sea. Stop at [Bar Mirador](#) for a drink.

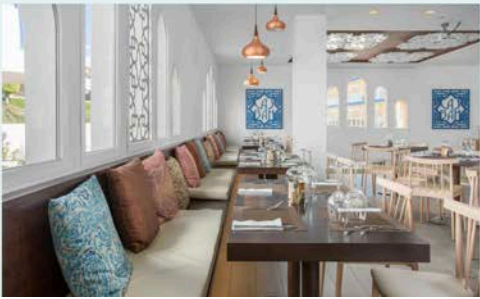
Visitors are also mesmerized by the [Nerja Caves](#) (Cueva de Nerja), which hunters, gatherers and fishermen used as a shelter and burial ground for more than 30,000 years. You can take a 45-minute tour of the rooms of the subterranean network.

Where to Stay

Sahara Sunset

You'll feel your stress melt away as you walk into this elegant, Moorish-inspired jewel on the southern shores of Málaga. With views of the Alboran Sea, [Sahara Sunset](#) offers the best of both worlds: a spacious, calming retreat located minutes from the beach, bars and restaurants. The luxurious resort features modern Studios and 1- and 2-Bedroom Suites with terraces or balconies and fully equipped kitchens.

After a morning walk to the marina, you'll have plenty to do at the resort. Take a dip in the indoor and outdoor pools, tackle a novel in one of the deck chairs (with or without a cocktail in hand — your choice!), and challenge your kids to a round of mini-golf or table tennis. Round out your day by relaxing in the hot tub, sauna or steam room before dinner.



Begin planning your Mediterranean Spanish vacation today.

Member Resort Availability

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Sahara Sunset		✓	✓	✓		✓

EXPLORE

Mālama Hawai'i

Embrace the spirit of Aloha on your next Hawaiian adventure by booking one of these six experiences



Hawaii's islands are an enticing destination for environmentally minded nature lovers

Words: Charlene Fang **Images:** Unsplash & Getty Images

Set off on a Hawaiian journey that goes beyond the norm by choosing from six unique opportunities under the [Mālama Hawai'i Program](#). As you explore Hawaii's stunning scenery and vibrant culture, the program — whose name means "to give back" — encourages you to deepen your connection with the land while you work to preserve each of the islands' precious heritage and natural environment. The following activities are excellent ways to make a meaningful and lasting contribution to the Hawaiian islands you visit on your vacation.

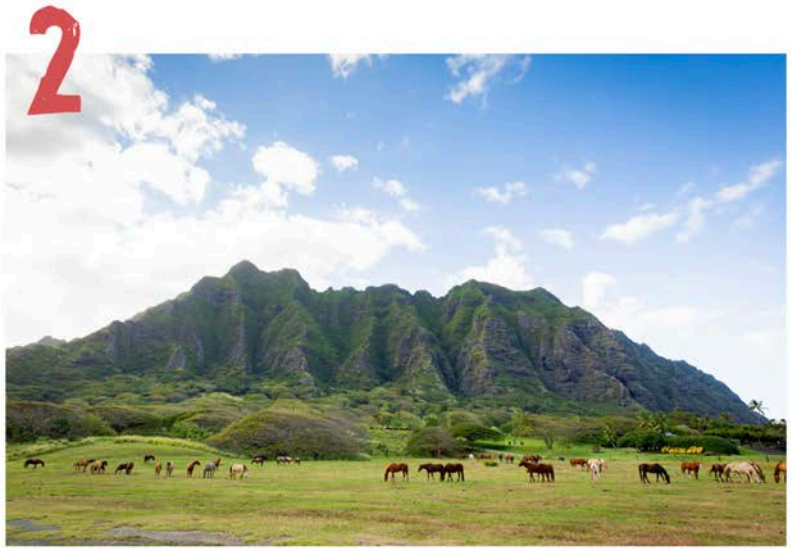


Go on a Citizen Science Mission

[Wild Side Specialty Tours](#) on Oahu provides a unique dolphin and whale spotting tour that incorporates a citizen science component into its charter. This interactive experience allows participants to learn about the marine ecosystem alongside a team of biologists and naturalists. Attendees will engage in activities like monitoring coral health, collecting data on marine debris, photographing and naming whale sharks and identifying dolphin calves, all of which are in service of ongoing research efforts.

Try Your Hand at Sustainable Farming

Oahu's Kualoa Ranch may be immediately recognizable from the iconic stampede scene in "Jurassic Park," but it's also been a private nature reserve since 1850. Regarded as one of the island's most sacred sites, the ranch offers a two-hour [Mālama Experience](#) that immerses you in traditional Hawaiian practices. Here you'll engage in activities such as harvesting kalo (taro), thatching traditional Hawaiian hale (houses), gathering stones for rock walls and cultivating a māla lā'au lapa'au (medicinal plant garden). As an added treat, you may have the opportunity to refresh in a stream or the ranch's secluded beach.



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Participate in a Beach Cleanup

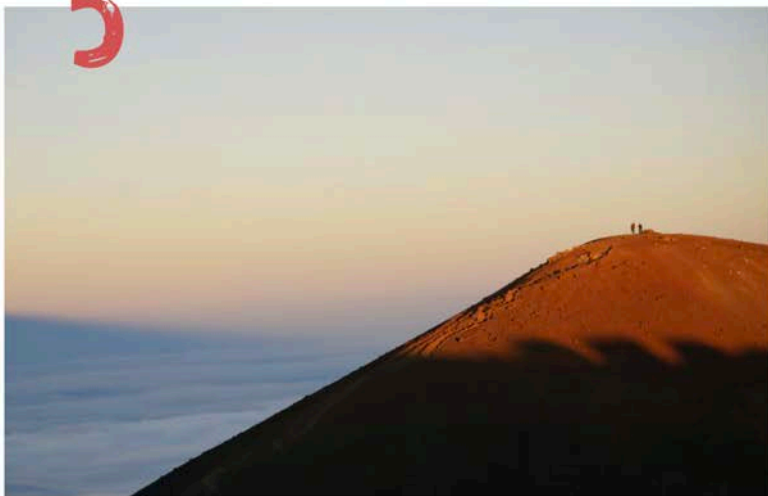
Transform your beach day into a meaningful activity and join a movement that has removed over 265,000 pieces of debris from Maui's shores. This initiative, led by the [Pacific Whale Foundation](#), allows you to participate in a cleanup on your schedule. You can pick up an upcycled grain bag, gloves and a datasheet from PacWhale Eco-Adventures' Ocean Store in Ma'alaea, Moku Roots or Maui Brewing Company in Kihei, or opt to print the [datasheet](#) yourself and use your own bag. Choose any coastline section for cleanup, then complete and return the datasheet. Your information will be added to a marine debris database, which is used to develop mitigation and prevention strategies within Maui County.

Assist Sea Turtles

The honu (green sea turtle) is revered as a sacred symbol of longevity and endurance, but sadly, the species is endangered in Hawaiian waters. The [Hawai'i Wildlife Fund](#) on Maui provides various volunteer opportunities for those interested in learning about and protecting Hawaii's sole native reptile. Participants can engage in activities like tracking sea turtle movements, safeguarding nesting females during the breeding season and ensuring hatchlings safely reach the ocean. By joining these efforts, you'll contribute to the survival of over 10,000 endangered sea turtle hatchlings, helping to preserve a vital part of Hawaii's natural heritage.



5



Visit a Volcano and Rebuild a Sacred Forest

Led by native guide Kimo Duarte, the [Hualālai Crater Experience](#) on the island of Hawaii (aka, The Big Island) starts at 4,800 feet (1,463 meters). As part of the tour, you'll navigate the rugged terrain in a Polaris Ranger 4x4, stopping at the historic Duarte cabin en route to the summit. A two-mile hike at just under 8,000 feet (2,438 meters) of elevation reveals stunning volcanic scenery and sweeping views of Mauna Kea, the Kohala Mountains and the Kona Coast. This five-hour adventure culminates in a meaningful act: planting a Koa tree to honor local customs and aid in forest regeneration, leaving a lasting tribute to this sacred landscape.

Contribute to a Reforestation Effort

Discover [Ohia Ridge Farm](#), a secluded treasure on the North Shore of Hawaii's Big Island and play a role in the expansion of its native forests. Perched at 3,300 feet (1,005 meters) on Mauna Kea's slopes and bordering the Hamakua Forest Reserve, this working farm welcomes volunteers on weekends (August through May) and weekdays (June and July). Engage in a four-hour experience (8 a.m.–12 p.m., including lunch) where you'll assist in potting seedlings and planting trees and shrubs. Not only will you be preserving the habitat for the island's unique plants and birds, but you'll also learn more about Hawaii's native flora. You will depart with a deeper understanding of Hawaii's 'aina (land) and the satisfaction of aiding its conservation.

6



Travel Tip

Supporting small businesses at a farmers' market is an excellent way to discover some of the finest local flavors, produce and products. On Oahu, check out the vibrant Kaka'ako Farmers Market (Saturdays, 8 a.m.–12 p.m.), known for its diverse range of stalls offering everything from local art and handcrafted beachwear to fresh-baked goods. Over on Maui, the Wailea Village Farmers Market (Tuesdays, 8–11 a.m.) provides an opportunity to sample local produce and traditional recipes, as well as pick up island-inspired designs. Meanwhile, the Hilo Farmers Market in downtown Hilo (daily, 7 a.m.–3 p.m.) is a lively venue where you can find island jams, roasted Kona coffee and a wide array of local delicacies, with Wednesdays and Saturdays featuring an even greater variety of vendors.

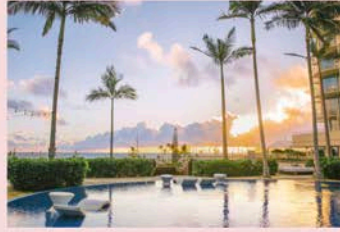
Where to Stay

On Oahu



Grand Waikikian, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club

This 39-floor resort features luxurious 1-, 2- and 3-Bedroom Suites that come with stunning beach views and direct access to Waikiki Beach. Amenities here include multiple pools, family-friendly dining concepts and a central location to explore Honolulu.



The Modern, a Hilton Vacation Club

Located close to the bustling Ala Moana Center, The Modern, a Hilton Vacation Club, is a sleek boutique property that offers dual pools to relax in after a busy day touring Honolulu and modern rooms with city or ocean views.

On Maui



Maui Bay Villas, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club

Nestled along the shores of Maalaea Bay, this beachfront resort has 1-, 2- and 3-Bedroom Suites — each complete with a full kitchen — plus family-friendly amenities like a clubhouse and heated pools.

On The Big Island



Kohala Suites, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club

Kohala Suites is housed within Waikoloa Beach Resort, with spacious 2-Bedroom Suites boasting a private lanai, a fully equipped kitchen and a hot tub. Choose between Suites overlooking a garden, golf course or mountain; kick up your feet to enjoy the views from the privacy of your room; or head out to explore many of The Big Island's main attractions.

Start planning your next Hawaiian adventure today.

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The Modern, a Hilton Vacation Club		✓	✓	✓		✓
Maui Bay Villas, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club	✓	✓		✓		✓
Kohala Suites, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club	✓	✓		✓		✓

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Spend Time in Amazing Bad Gastein, Austria

This eclectic town in the heart of the Austrian Alps is a trending favorite for its thermal springs, majestic waterfall and year-round outdoor activities. Stay in style at **MONDI Holiday Hotel Bellevue Gastein**.



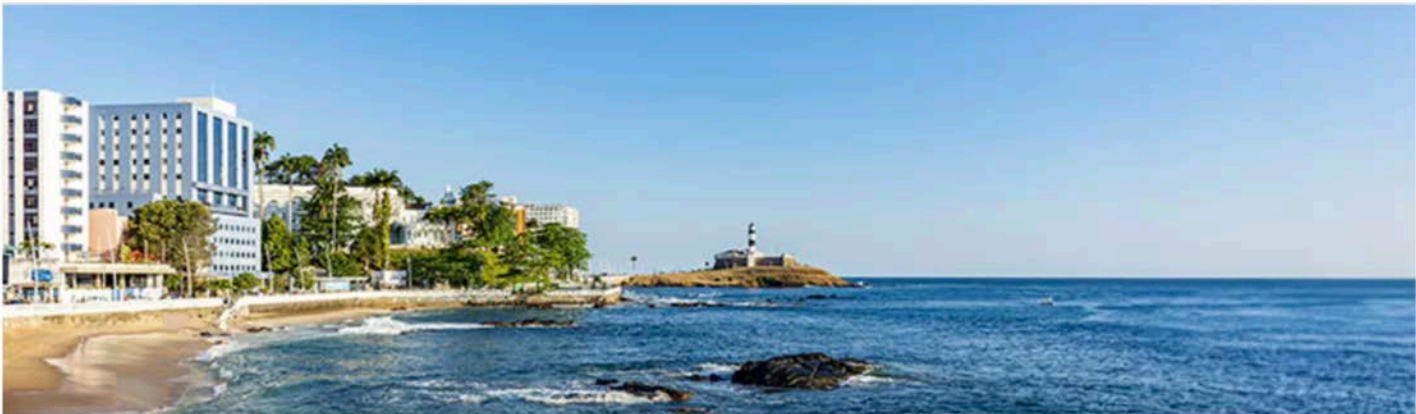
See What’s New in Nuevo Vallarta,
Mexico

This increasingly popular resort town on the edge of Banderas Bay is known for great beaches and golf. Enjoy it all while staying at **The Grand Mayan — Nuevo Vallarta.**



Visit Unforgettable Phuket,
Thailand

Home to some of Thailand’s best-loved beaches, this mountainous island also has abundant shopping and dining, vibrant nightlife and more. See it from your comfortable quarters at **Anantara Phuket Mai Khao.**



Experience the Best of Bahia, Brazil

Known as the birthplace of samba music and the martial art of capoeira, Bahia serves up an incredible mix of cultural, architectural and historic gems for you to enjoy. Stay at the beachfront **Grand Palladium Imbassaí Resort**, where it’s easy to relax and soak in the sun.

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ALL ABOARD! TRAVEL BY RAIL

Embrace the luxury of slow travel with these North American railway itineraries

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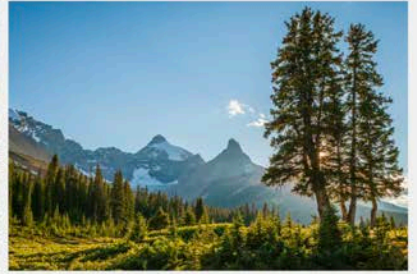
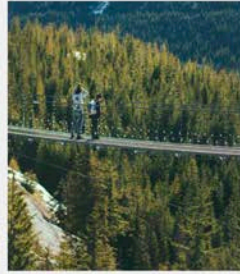
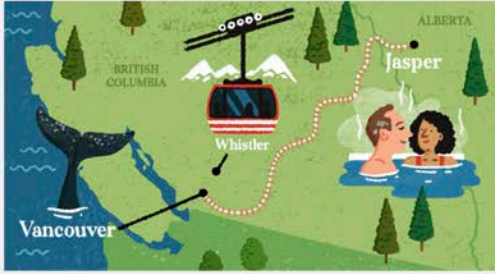
There's a powerful glamor to long-distance train trips, harking back to pioneer days before cars became the go-to method of cross-country transportation. And sure, you could drive. But when you're required to have eyes on the road, you miss the chance to immerse yourself in the essence of the countryside outside the window. Traveling by train allows you to be in the moment rather than rushing through airport security or languishing in road traffic.

This method of slow travel, as it's come to be known, rejects the idea of speed and focuses instead on depth, lingering longer and embracing the journey itself in addition to the destination. And the epic long-distance train voyages in North America are a perfect opportunity to embrace this leisurely mindset. Amtrak even offers a [USA Rail Pass](#), which allows you to hop off the train and break your journey at any station en route, giving ample time to explore before catching the next train onward.

Whether you choose to explore the breathtaking mountain peaks of Canada, the charming Catskills or the American heartland and Rocky Mountains, you can do it all by rail. The trains are made for relaxing days admiring the scenery, with the soothing sound of the rails promising a unique perspective on the North American countryside — whether you depart from Vancouver, New York or Chicago.



VANCOUVER TO JASPER NATIONAL PARK



The Rocky Mountaineer rail journey offers plenty of scenic opportunities — from bear spotting to hiking — and ends in the stunning Jasper National Park

The [Rainforest to Gold Rush](#) route on the Rocky Mountaineer train is a multiday luxury rail experience that relies on overnight breaks rather than sleeper cars. Aboard this summer service, you'll be able to marvel at scenic panoramas from the glass-domed (or open-air) train cars or dine on locally inspired menus and sip signature cocktails as you take in the sights.

Before You Board

Vancouver is a truly multifaceted city, with acres of wilderness in Stanley Park, an excellent fine-dining scene and charming local neighborhoods to explore. You can also take to the sea on a whale watching tour with [Wild Whales Vancouver](#).

Break Your Journey

Whistler, high in Canada's Coast Mountains, is a place to stop for hiking, biking and beautiful mountaintop vistas. Without the coating of the deep winter snow (and the crowds of skiers), you can enjoy seasonal wildflowers along the High Note Trail.

The Final Destination

[Jasper National Park](#) offers a wild and rugged natural experience, from hiking through the serene Valley of the Five Lakes or getting active on the water — with white water rafting on the Sunwapta River and paddleboarding on Beauvert Lake. Or you could relax in the [Miette Hot Springs](#), with hot pools and cold plunges for ultimate relaxation.



Where to Stay

Embarc Vancouver

Choose a Studio, 1-Bedroom Suite or 1-Bedroom Deluxe Room at Embarc Vancouver for its downtown location, indoor lap pool and fitness center. From here, enjoy views of the shining downtown skyline and the mountains in the distance at the start of your voyage.

NEW YORK CITY TO MONTREAL



Whether you're taking in a Broadway show in NYC, exploring Lake Champlain, or admiring the fall colors in Montreal, the Adirondack train route is a seasonal treat

Amtrak's scenic Adirondack train from New York City to Montreal glides through the Hudson Valley and past Lake Champlain. Its route, which takes a full day, takes in some of the best autumn colors on the planet, so the prime time to travel is in the fall.

Before You Board

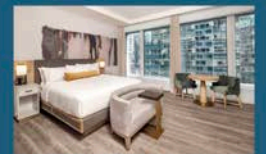
Whether you have a day or a week, take time to soak up New York's magnetic energy. Try a slice of Joe's Pizza, climb the Empire State Building or take in a Broadway show. (Looking for a curated New York City itinerary? Read our full lineup for a picture-perfect trip to the Big Apple in [Club Traveler Issue 3, 2023](#).)

Break Your Journey

Ticonderoga makes a great launching point to explore the Lake Champlain region's Revolutionary War history, or rent a car in Plattsburg and drive from Plattsburg into the hills for wow-factor foliage and access to the [Champlain Valley Wine Trail](#). (Travel tip: For easy onward travel in the rural locale, book a taxi ahead to pick you up from the station.)

The Final Destination

Explore cobblestoned Old Montreal, the colorful streets of the Plateau neighborhood and the towering Mount Royal Park. Food is a central theme: Visit the huge [Jean-Talon Market](#) and don't leave without sampling the Quebec staple of poutine at local favorite [Restaurant Chez Claudette](#).



Where to Stay

The Central at 5th, a Hilton Club

These Studios, 1-Bedroom Suites and Penthouse Suites boast breathtaking views of the city's skyline and are a short walk away from some attractions like Times Square, the Museum of Modern Art, Rockefeller Center, Radio City Music Hall and Broadway.

CHICAGO TO SEATTLE



The epic Amtrak Journey Builder takes in wildlife, history and city experiences in Chicago and Seattle

This epic journey on the Amtrak Empire Builder covers more than 2,000 miles (3,215 kilometers), spans seven states and lasts nearly 48 hours if you take it from end to end. The route follows sections of the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail and encompasses some of the country's most majestic natural sites. Choose a private room for spacious convertible bedding and access to the Amtrak dining car.

Before You Board

Explore downtown, perhaps sneaking in a sailing aboard the Chicago Architecture Center River Cruise and a classic deep dish pizza at [Lou Malnati's](#) or [Giordano's](#) (or both, to participate in the age-old debate on the best pie in town).

Break Your Journey

From [Glacier National Park](#) you can spot mountain goats, moose and even bears. Its crystal-clear, glacier-fed lakes and famous Going-to-the-Sun Road can be seen by shuttle for a relaxing way to take in the Continental Divide views.

The Final Destination

Seattle's waterfront [Pike Place Market](#) is a delightful labyrinth of fresh produce and food stalls while the [Chihuly Garden and Glass](#) exhibition is full of creative wonders. The city's iconic [Space Needle](#) provides one last unforgettable view of this cross-country voyage. **(Travel tip:** The Empire Builder train has end points in both Portland and Seattle, so you can choose your own Pacific Northwest adventure.)



Where to Stay
[Chicago Magnificent Mile, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club](#)
Located close to the stunning architecture lining the Chicago River and a short walk from Lake Michigan, the Studio and 1-Bedroom Suites here are the perfect downtown location. (Need more inspiration? Check out [Club Traveler Issue 2, 2023](#).)

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Embarc Vancouver		✓		✓	✓	✓
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Chicago Magnificent Mile, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club	✓	✓		✓		✓

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Sedona



Take a tour of the famous red rocks and rejuvenating wellness spots with our photo guide to Sedona

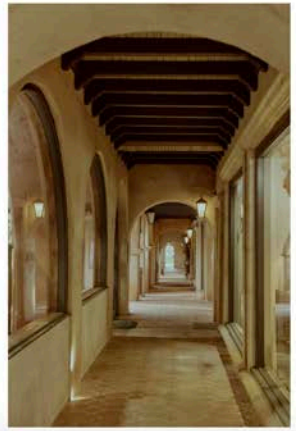
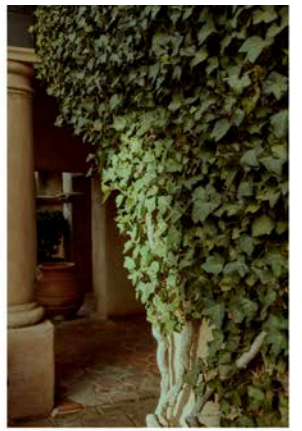
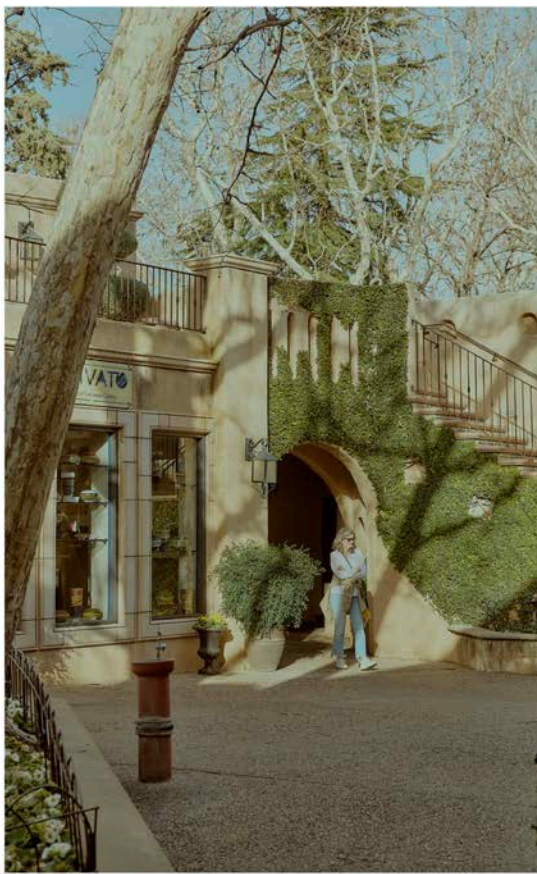
Words: Fiona Tapp **Photography:** Kyle RM Johnson

Sedona is made for outdoor adventures, with rugged terrain and expansive desert vistas just waiting to be explored. But that's not all. The city is also known for its spiritual vortex sites, beckoning visitors to explore a holistic journey of self-discovery through treatments at luxurious spa facilities.

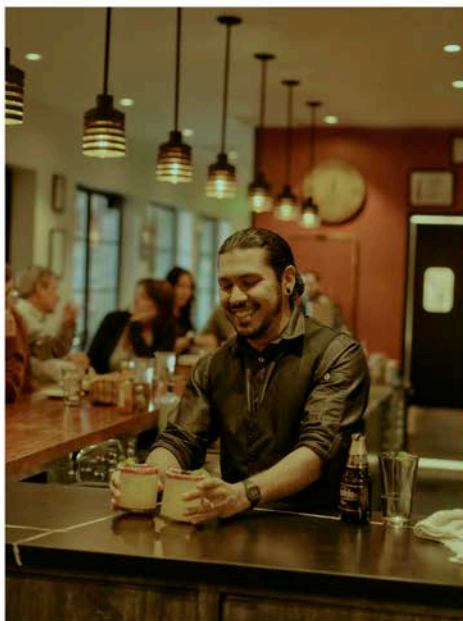


With four major vortex sites, Sedona is a spiritual wonderland for those seeking deeper meaning. Feel the healing energy of the city at the iconic Chapel of the Holy Cross, built into the stunning red rocks.

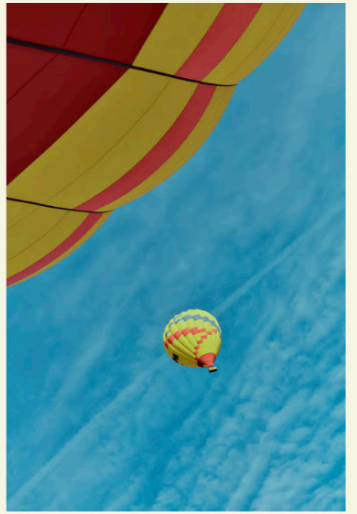




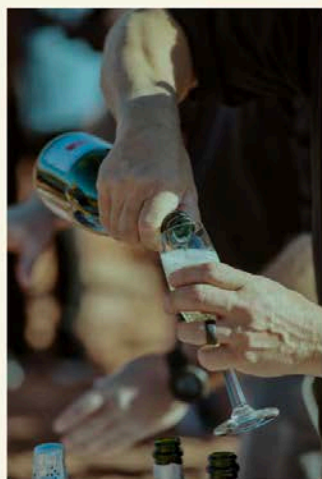
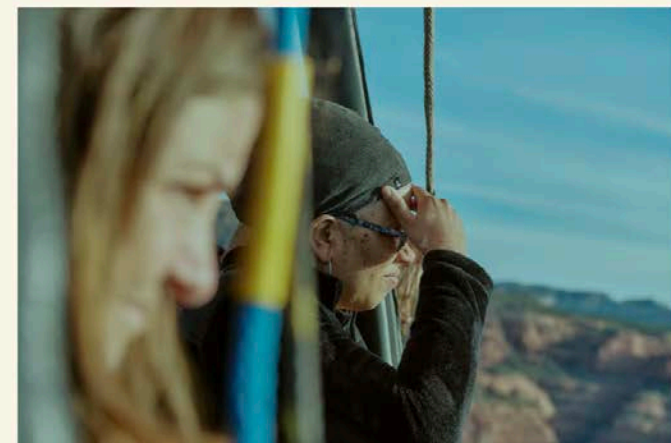
Built in the style of a Mexican Village, Tlaquepaque Arts & Shopping Village is a characterful place to shop for jewelry, art and traditional ceramics in charming shops linked by cobbled walkways and colonnades.



Local foodies head to Elote Cafe for its inventive, Mexico-meets-Arizona menu, which is crafted from local, organic produce. Highlights include the lamb adobo and the tomato and nopales salad.

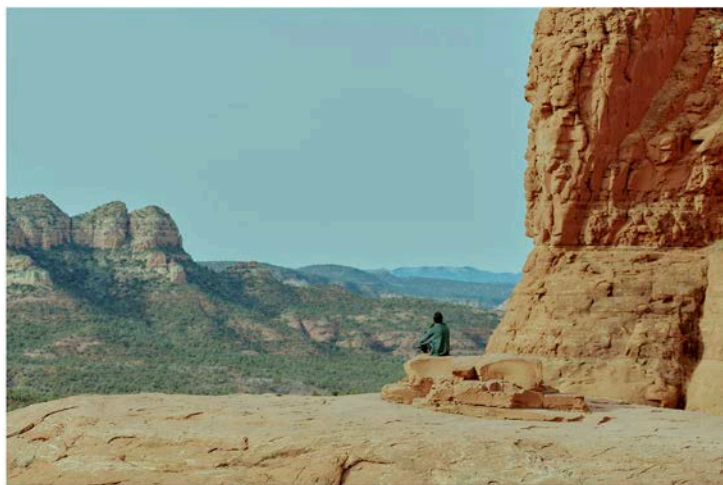


For a bird's-eye view of Sedona's red rock formations, buttes, mountains and juniper forests, take a hot-air balloon ride with Red Rock Balloons. You'll have to rise before dawn to greet the sunrise from above, but the magnificent views are well worth the early morning wake-up call.





Dine at Mariposa Latin Inspired Grill — one of six restaurants owned by local chef and restaurateur Lisa Dahl — to enjoy the taste and intoxicating aroma of its central, wood-fired grill. You'll enjoy South American-inspired dishes, including ceviche and handmade empanadas, served with picture-perfect views across the desert.



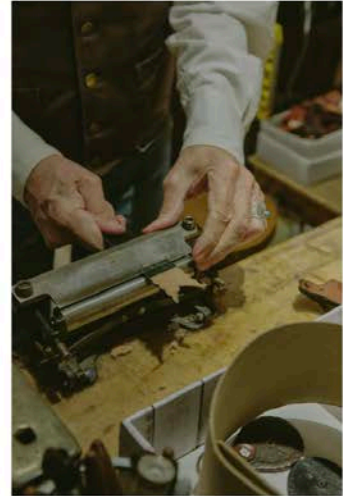
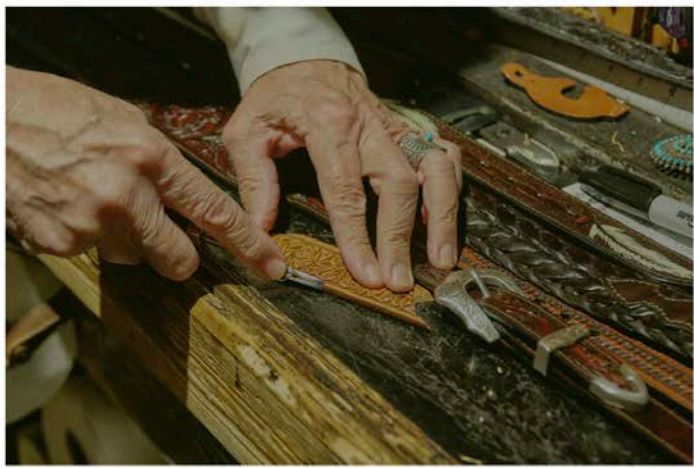
No Sedona vacation is complete without a tour around its red rock spires and arid desert landscapes. Chicken Point is a perfect spot to admire views of the area's two state parks and over 1.8 million acres (nearly 7,300 square kilometers) of national forest, meaning there's plenty to discover whether you hike, bike or kayak.



A yoga hike is a nourishing way to tap into the area's beauty and healing energy. Down Dog Sedona offers group and private tours, and will transport you to safe and scenic places to practice in some of the area's most beautiful spots.



In downtown Sedona, the Hillside Sedona Shopping Center nestles beneath the famous red rocks.



Sedona's creative atmosphere is a lure for artists and artisans, among them Michael Gibson, who opened Appaloosa Trading Co here in 2020. You can watch the leathersmith at work as he creates an array of belts, handbags and accessories, all made in the traditional styles of the American Southwest.



The Verde River is a wildlife paradise. Keep your eye out for local flora and fauna, including great blue herons, hawks, bald eagles and coyotes. Or cool off on the river by kayak, stand-up paddleboard or tube.



A winemaking region since the 17th century, Arizona's Verde Valley offers various estate vineyards and small production wineries for visitors to enjoy. The high altitude, volcanic soil and mild winters combine to help create impressive reds like syrah, merlot and cabernet. Take a wine tour and tasting at one of the vineyards like Page Springs Cellar where you can savor the region's terroir.

Don't miss the chance to be outside at dusk. There's something soulful and restoring about peacefully watching a luminous white moon rising serenely above Sedona's ethereal red-hued landscape.



Where to Stay



Ridge on Sedona, a Hilton Vacation Club

Discover the perfect escape at Ridge on Sedona, a Hilton Vacation Club, which offers dramatic views of the Southwestern landscape. This property provides an idyllic retreat with resort-style amenities — a luxe pool, fitness center and a nearby 18-hole golf course — as well as a comfortable base to explore the area. Studios have kitchenettes, while the 1- and 2-Bedroom Suites feature full kitchens and laundry facilities for your convenience. Set in the village of Oak Creek, a 15-minute drive from Sedona, it's an ideal choice for those seeking adventure or simply a relaxing wellness getaway.

Travel Tip

Don't forget, HGV Max Members save 10% when they stay at any Hilton hotel.
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Start planning your red rocks wellness vacation today.

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Ridge on Sedona, a Hilton Vacation Club		✓	✓	✓		✓

A Perfect Bite

Three must-try restaurants this season



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Shang Artisan Noodle in Las Vegas

4983 West Flamingo Rd Suite B, Las Vegas, NV 89103

Why Go

Shang Artisan Noodle brings historic Chinese culinary traditions to fast-casual dining — perfect for a fast-paced visit to the Las Vegas establishment. Even better, this local gem won't break the bank. Nothing on the menu costs more than \$15, meaning you can get an incredible meal for an affordable price.

What to Order

The reason to come here is obvious: the handmade noodles. But you'll still have a plethora of choices, ranging from hearty noodle soups with braised pork belly to delicious dan-dan noodles in a spiced soy sauce. Add a fresh crunch to your plate by ordering the cucumber salad with sesame sauce, a dose of savory with the beef pancakes or a dash of heat with the spicy, made-from-scratch wontons.

Details

Don't skimp on the noodles! Order an extra helping to pile your soup bowl high and enjoy every bit of flavorful broth.



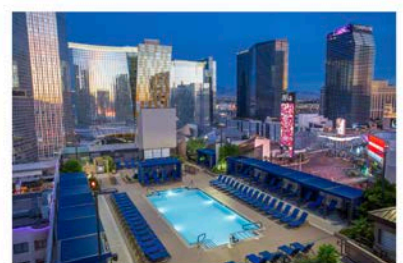
Affordable and authentic noodles make Shang Artisan Noodle a Las Vegas must-go

Where to Stay

Just minutes from the Las Vegas Strip, find [Flamingo, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club](#) housed within the 15-acre (6 hectare) Flamingo Las Vegas property. Choose from Studios and 1- and 2-Bedroom Suites with access to alfresco restaurants and a heated pool.



Nearby [Polo Towers, a Hilton Vacation Club](#) boasts a rooftop pool with city views and massage services, plus peaceful Studios, 1- and 2-Bedroom Suites and Villas.



Get a fresh flavor hit of
Modern Bajan cooking at
Cocktail Kitchen



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Cocktail Kitchen in Barbados

St. Lawrence Gap, Bridgetown, BB15018, Barbados

Why Go

Located in St. Lawrence Gap, Barbados' buzzing culture and nightlife hub, Cocktail Kitchen serves modern Bajan cuisine with innovative cocktails. The restaurant's award-winning chef, Damian Leach, showcases Caribbean ingredients and flavors by blending traditional Bajan ingredients with fine-dining cooking techniques.

What to Order

For a taste of the local fruit specialty, you'll want to try the roasted breadfruit and lobster, served with a Bajan pepper sauce aioli. And you can't go wrong with Chef Damian's catch of the day, featuring fresh Caribbean seafood accompanied by roasted sweet potato hash, lemon and caper butter sauce, charred pepper emulsion and tomato salsa. For dessert, order the spiced banana sticky toffee pudding, soaked in delicious toffee sauce and topped with ice cream and caramel popcorn.

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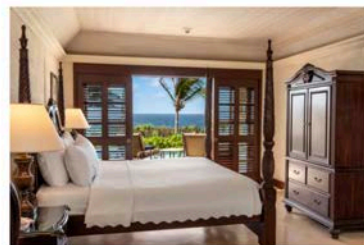
Be sure to order a rum cocktail to accompany your meal, like the Lavish Sensation, made with pink grapefruit, falernum, black pepper, white rum and nutmeg.



Where to Stay

[The Crane, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club](#) is a tropical beachfront oasis with all the luxurious amenities you could wish for — a clifftop pool, lush gardens and, of course, access to the beautiful Caribbean sea.

You'll have your choice of Studios and 1-, 2- and 3-Bedroom Suites, equipped with sumptuous four-poster beds for ultimate relaxation.



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Jua in New York City

36 E 22nd St, New York, NY 10010

Why Go

Korean fine dining restaurant Jua offers a modern prix-fixe in Manhattan's sleek Flatiron neighborhood. Named after Chef Hoyoung Kim's daughter, whose name means "joy" in English, the restaurant aims to live up to its namesake by delivering diners a joyful banchan experience. Chef Kim's elegant minimalist plates earned Jua a Michelin star, making a place at the table here one of the most sought-after reservations in the city.

What to Order

The restaurant serves a unique seven-course tasting menu using a variety of wood-fire techniques to craft exceptional Korean food. Expect a lineup of dishes such as caviar, scallops, duck and sujeonggwa (traditional cinnamon punch). To end the meal, you'll often be served goguma juak, a sweet potato donut paired with brown butter ice cream and almond cookie crumble. You can also choose to add a wine pairing to accompany your one-of-a-kind meal.

Details

Make a reservation early to secure a booking for this exclusive tasting menu experience.



Michelin-starred Jua is one of the hottest spots in New York

Where to Stay

[West 57th Street, a Hilton Club](#) is the ultimate home-away-from-home in New York City, as it's within walking distance from some of the city's best attractions like Lincoln Center and Fifth Avenue.



The Studios, 1-Bedroom Suites and Penthouses have panoramic floor-to-ceiling windows to admire the gorgeous Manhattan skyline.



Enjoy a culinary adventure on your stay with Hilton Grand Vacations.

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Flamingo, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club	✓	✓		✓		✓
Polo Towers, a Hilton Vacation Club		✓	✓	✓		✓
The Crane, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club	✓	✓				
West 57th Street, a Hilton Club	✓	✓		✓		✓

THE CARRY-ON

SPRING FLING

Embrace the new season with
fresh travel accessories



Rifle Paper Co. Fabric Journal
\$26/£21/€24

This hardcover travel-themed journal is ready to be stashed away in your bag for your next trip. The lay-flat binding makes it easy to write in, meaning you can record your travel memories on the go without any trouble.



July Carry On Light
\$245/£193/€226

July's super light carry-on bag is designed to take the hassle out of packing a small suitcase. It has double wheels, inner zipper compartments and a TSA-approved lock. It comes in multiple colors, but we love the eye-catching clay option.



Lele Sadoughi Fern Green Daisy Sunglasses
\$145/£114/€165

Designer Lele Sadoughi's bold sunglasses have chic oval lenses that protect against both UVA and UVB rays. These funky shades are a perfect seasonal look, with hand-swirled acetate creating a delicate pattern around the rim.



Floral Street Arizona Bloom Eau de Parfum
\$37/£29/€34

Floral Street's Arizona Bloom is a dry, floral amber fragrance featuring notes of coconut, jasmine and pepper. The beautiful bottle with printed flowers is designed to evoke Arizona's endless skies and sunshine.



Ursa Major Golden Hour Recovery Cream
\$52/£41/€48

Formulated for all skin types, Golden Hour Recovery Cream from skincare company Ursa Major contains vitamins A, C and E. This deeply moisturizing salve is especially useful for long travel days and post-flight self-care routines.



Dreamegg D11 Max White Noise Machine
\$40/£31/€37

If you have trouble sleeping on vacation — no matter how comfortable your room is — this white noise machine is for you. The speaker is programmed with 21 soothing sounds, so you can select the right one for your sleep preference.



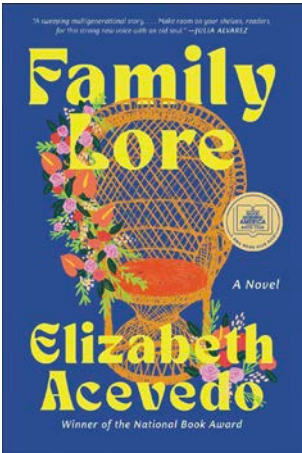
Business & Pleasure Rain Umbrella
\$101/£79/€92

Yes, spring rains may bring flowers, but they can make it difficult to enjoy days out. With this cheery umbrella, though, you'll be protected from the elements and still be able to enjoy the sights.



Simple Use Reloadable Film Camera
\$30/£24/€28

Join the retro disposable camera craze with this reloadable film camera. It's pocket-sized and comes with Lomography's signature ultra-saturated film for stunning travel photos.



“Family Lore” by Elizabeth Acevedo
\$30/£24/€133

“Family Lore” is a magical tale from National Book Award-winning author Elizabeth Acevedo. The “Good Morning America” Book Club-pick weaves tales from the Dominican Republic with modern New York City in a moving generational story.



Birkenstock Bend Low in Soft Pink
\$140/£110/€129

This sneaker by the beloved sandal maker has the same cork sole that melds to the shape of your foot. Not only will the pair support your feet during your travels, but the pink color will add pizzazz to your spring wardrobe.



Kind Bag William Morris Fruit Tote
\$16/£13/€15

Every packing list should include a catch-all tote bag for shopping excursions and market outings. For a colorful accessory, you can't go wrong with this one, made with recycled plastic bottles and adorned with a classic William Morris print.



Nocs Provisions Field Issue Binoculars
\$175/£137/€161

Spot birds and other wildlife with Nocs Provisions Field Issue Binoculars. They're both waterproof and fogproof, with a focus wheel for easy adjusting. Created from ultra-light, medical-grade thermoplastic, these binoculars are designed for durability.



Geometry Daydreamer Beach Blanket
\$70/£55/€64

This beach blanket, designed in Utah and printed in California, is perfect for a sandy outing or a spring picnic. It's created from recycled materials, and the lightweight fabric makes it easy to pack.



cocokind rosewater facial toner
\$18/£14/€17

Made from rose petals, this toner from natural skincare brand cocokind helps hydrate and balance your skin. You can even use the toner as a gentle reset when you need an extra boost.

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Enjoy miles of shoreline and the artistic vibes in Virginia Beach

Words: Alexandra Owens Illustrations: Michael Driver

From beaches and nature walks to local favorites beyond the boardwalk, discover coastal charm and family fun with our two-day itinerary to the U.S. state of Virginia



Day One 9 A.M.

Virginia Beach holds a Guinness World Record for being the world's longest pleasure beach with attractions suited for the entire family, as well as the oldest-running [surfing competition](#). Learn to "hang 10" with [VB Surf Sessions](#) or rent a Jet Ski from [Virginia Beach Watersports](#). If you prefer to simply dig your toes in the sand, get away from the crowds at Sandbridge or Croatan Beach.



12 P.M.

Refuel at [Commune](#), a farm-to-table restaurant just a few blocks from the Virginia Beach oceanfront. The menu highlights seasonal sustainable produce in flavorful dishes like the cornmeal waffles topped with homemade pork sausage and the veggie Commune burger made of peas, potatoes, Carolina gold rice and barley.

2 P.M.

As the center of Virginia Beach's artistic community, the [ViBe Creative District](#) is home to vibrant galleries and the [Virginia Museum of Contemporary Art](#). Admire colorful murals as you stroll around the neighborhood. If you're looking for a souvenir, be sure to stop by the area's quaint artisan boutiques, such as [North End Bag Company](#), which designs handcrafted leather and canvas goods.



4 P.M.

Head over to the historic [Virginia Beach Boardwalk](#) and take in the sites from a beach cruiser or four-wheeled Surrey bike. Originally built in 1888, this three-mile (4.8 kilometer) pathway provides unobstructed views of the Atlantic Ocean and easy access to some of the most popular attractions in town, including the [Virginia Beach Fishing Pier](#) and the [King Neptune statue](#).

7 P.M.

End your first day at [Chick's Oyster Bar](#), a casual hangout spot with a back porch perfect for watching sunsets. For dinner, dig into fresh seafood such as oyster shooters, creamy she-crab soup, firecracker shrimp tacos and fried flounder straight from Chesapeake Bay.



Day Two 8 A.M.

Start early with a hearty breakfast at [Ray Ray's At The Mayflower](#), a hole-in-the-wall diner that serves a crowd-pleasing blend of Filipino, Hawaiian and American comfort food. Fill up on standouts like overstuffed breakfast burritos, deep-fried beignets packed with chorizo sausage and fluffy pancakes made with purple yams, coconut and condensed milk.



10 A.M.

Explore [First Landing State Park](#), a registered natural landmark and the arrival site of the British colonists who established Jamestown. You'll find plenty to see and do, from hiking more than 19 miles (30.5 kilometers) of interpretive trails to kayaking with [Chesapeake Outdoors](#) in search of bottle-nosed dolphins, majestic bald eagles and great blue herons. When you're hungry, take a break for a luxury pop-up picnic on the beach arranged by [The VB Picnic Co.](#)



3 P.M.

Pay a visit to the [Virginia Aquarium & Marine Science Center](#), the state's largest aquarium and one of the most visited in the country. With more than 300 species of animals — think spotted eagle rays, sand tiger sharks, sea turtles and harbor seals — in addition to whale watching boat rides and behind-the-scenes tours, it's an immersive way to dive deeper into Virginia's aquatic environments and the fascinating creatures that live there.

5 P.M.

Toast to a memorable trip during a cocktail class at [Waterman Spirits](#), a new vodka distillery where you can learn to mix the ultimate Orange Crush, a local specialty made with vodka, fresh-squeezed orange juice, triple sec and a splash of lemon-lime soda.





7 P.M.

Kick back with a relaxing dinner at [The Porch on Long Creek](#), nestled right on the bank of the Lynnhaven River. Soak up panoramic waterfront views while indulging in contemporary Southern-coastal cuisine like shrimp scampi flatbread, beet and fried goat cheese salad, and seared scallops with saffron cream sauce.

Where to Stay

[Ocean Beach Club, a Hilton Vacation Club](#)

The Caribbean-inspired beachfront resort serves as the ideal base for a weekend of fun in Virginia Beach. Located on the bustling boardwalk, you'll be a short stroll away from the ocean and many of the city's top attractions. After an adventure-packed day, relax in one of four pools, get in a workout at the state-of-the-art fitness center or watch the sunset at Tortugas Cafe and Tiki Bar next door. The family-friendly retreat offers spacious Studios and 1-, 2- and 3-Bedroom Suites with thoughtful amenities like private balconies, complimentary laundry facilities and well-appointed kitchens and kitchenettes so you can feel right at home.



Plan a vacation to Virginia Beach today.

Club Program Resort Availability

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Ocean Beach Club, a Hilton Vacation Club		✓	✓	✓		✓



Embrace Luxury and Relaxation With an All-Inclusive Vacation

Discover the benefits and convenience of an all-inclusive resort vacation with RCI

Embark on a journey of tranquility and indulgence by opting for an all-inclusive vacation with RCI. Leave behind the stress of everyday life, bid farewell to your wallet and immerse yourself in a world where worries simply fade away. Discover leisure and convenience as you explore the range of services and amenities that come bundled in a package.

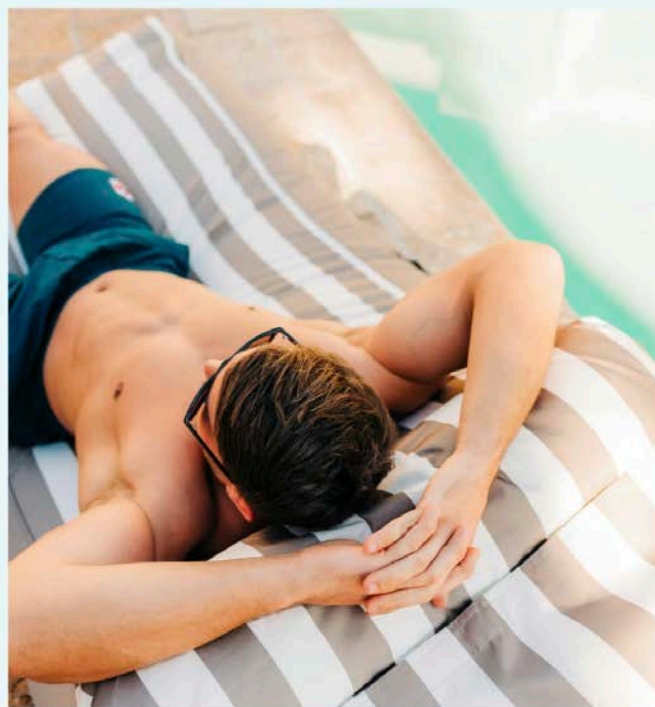
Indulge Your Palate in Culinary Extravagance

Contrary to common misconceptions, all-inclusive dining is not synonymous with lackluster buffets and tedious lines. All-inclusive resorts redefine culinary experiences, offering a gastronomic journey that will leave even the most discerning foodies in awe. Picture yourself sipping bottomless cocktails by the pool or savoring sumptuous meals in full-service restaurants. The options are limitless, ensuring a dining experience that goes beyond the ordinary.



Smooth Arrivals and Abundant Activities

A fuss-free getaway begins with a well-thought-out plan, and all-inclusive resorts excel at providing just that. Enjoy the added convenience of complimentary transportation so you can slip seamlessly into vacation mode the moment your flight touches down. Once there, you'll have an array of activities and amenities at your disposal. Whether you prefer lounging by the pool, participating in invigorating workout classes or indulging in a spa day, these resorts cater to every whim. For the adventurous souls, water sports like snorkeling await, or book a zip line excursion that will provide a rush amid your surroundings.

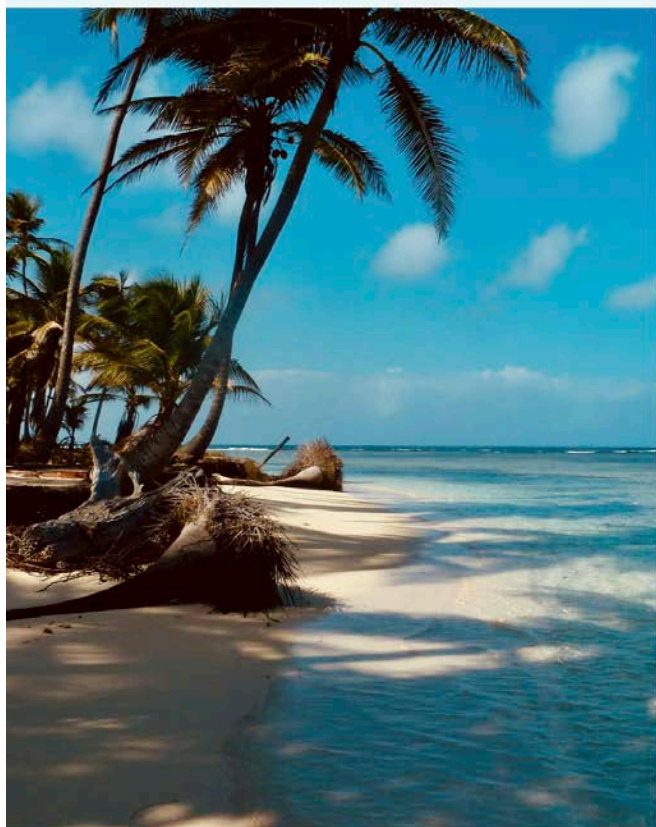


Tropical Paradises Await

All-inclusive resorts invite you to bask in the sun-drenched allure of some of the world's most coveted destinations. Picture yourself on the idyllic beaches of the Dominican Republic, where palm-fringed shores meet the azure waters of the Caribbean. Feel the rhythm of Jamaica as you unwind on white-sand beaches and immerse yourself in the vibrant local culture.

Or venture to the captivating landscapes of Mexico's Riviera Maya, where ancient Mayan ruins stand in harmony with lush jungles and pristine coastlines. Puerto Vallarta, a jewel on Mexico's Pacific Coast, delights with its charming cobblestone streets, booming art scene and breathtaking sunsets over Banderas Bay.

Cabo San Lucas, at the southern tip of the Baja California Peninsula, beckons with its dramatic coastal beauty and lively atmosphere. Imagine lounging on golden sands, framed by rugged cliffs and the sapphire hues of the Sea of Cortez.



Unlock Exclusive Deals With RCI

Before sealing the deal on your dream all-inclusive vacation, explore the “Deals” section of your RCI account. Uncover special offers that make turning your vacation dreams into a budget-friendly endeavor. These exclusive deals ensure that luxury and leisure are within reach without breaking the bank.

Visit [RCI.com/MyHGV](https://www.rci.com/MyHGV) or call [800-932-4482](tel:800-932-4482) to connect with an RCI Travel Guide and embark on your next all-inclusive adventure. Whether you’re revisiting one of these three beach destinations or it’s your first time, you’ll undoubtedly uncover travel surprises during a unique, unforgettable adventure.

Plan an all-inclusive vacation with RCI today.

Club Program Availability

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Use Your Points to Save on Cruises

New ships, private islands, inclusive amenities & more



Image courtesy of Norwegian Cruise Line

Ask any seasoned cruiser why they love to sail, and they'll all have a similar answer — the incredible value. Choose from a weekend getaway or week-long vacation (there are even two-week and world cruise options available), and enjoy endless onboard activities, entertainment and dining options. Plus, with over 20 departure ports all over the United States, including New York, Galveston, Florida and California, it's easy to find a cruise ship departure port.

Below learn why Members are opting for a cruise now more than ever. In fact, over half of 2024 cruises are already sold out!



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Use your points to save on cruises

You have the power to vacation like never before. Whether you want to relax in the Caribbean, explore bucket-list sights in Alaska or sail the sun-kissed shores of the Mediterranean, you can now book cruises using points, cash or a combination of both.

Stress-free travel planning

From itineraries and accommodations to meals and entertainment — it's all taken care of long before you step on board. Prefer a relaxed schedule? That's okay, too! Feel free to do as little or as much as you'd like, and all at your own pace.

Unpack once and explore multiple destinations

Imagine what it would cost for flights, transfers and hotels to explore five countries in Europe on one land-based trip. With a cruise, you can see multiple places in a single voyage while only unpacking once.

There's something for everyone

Cruising is a great way for friends and families of all sizes and age ranges to travel together. From amusement park-level waterslides, racetracks and Broadway-caliber shows to inclusive onboard kids' programs and adult-only areas, there's something for everyone onboard.

Brand-new ships

Cruising has come a long way since the world's first ocean liners. Today, new cruise ships offer more amenities, dining options and activities to fill more vacation needs than you ever thought possible. Enjoy roller coasters, swim-up bars, racetracks, Olympic-level ice skating performances and even tattoo parlors. And that's just on the top deck.

Cruise line private islands

Most major cruise lines have a private island in the Bahamas, an exclusive oasis reserved for cruise line guests. Enjoy the ultimate oceanfront resort with thrilling attractions (like the tallest waterslide in North America), spa services, fresh regional cuisine, watersports and activities. Plus, private islands are a seamless extension of your onboard experience. Most cruise lines accept amenity packages onshore, like free drinks and specialty dining, so there's no need to bring cash. There are many other features of a private island stop to enjoy:

- Great choice for weekend getaway
- Duty-free shopping and complimentary dining
- Fewer crowds and private shore excursions
- VIP add-ons including private cabanas, beaches and clubs, plus upgraded amenity packages

Here are the top trending cruise destinations to inspire your future travel with us:



European River Cruising

River cruising along the Danube, Rhine or Seine is an intimate and rewarding way to explore as you get effortless access to the cosmopolitan buzz and sightseeing opportunities of Europe's great cities. From Paris to Amsterdam, Budapest to Bordeaux and Porto to Vienna, a European river cruise will take in cathedrals and museums, as well as intimate bistros and intriguing side-streets, often with guided tours included.



Caribbean Adventures

From lush jungles, warm, crystal-clear waters and palm-fringed golden beaches, the Caribbean offers the definitive tropical escape and much more. From the Cayman Islands to Cozumel and St. Barths to St Lucia, cruising the Caribbean promises not just aquatic adventure and sun-drenched rest and relaxation, but a chance to experience the region's rich variety of landscapes and cultures.



Summer in Europe

During summer, the rich turquoise waters, beaches and cliff-top villages of the Mediterranean and Aegean come alive. A European cruise can introduce you to the sights and sites of ancient Athens and Thessaloniki, the fairytale cities of Croatia, buzzing Barcelona and the glamor of the French and Italian Rivas.



Last-minute Alaska

From mighty glaciers to forested coastline, majestic wildlife and the Denali National Park, Alaska offers raw beauty and once-in-a-lifetime adventure. Enjoy the bustle of Juneau or the charms of picturesque Ketchikan before exploring one of the world's great wild places.

Ready to start planning your next cruise or have questions about where to start? Our Cruise Concierge team is available to help you every step of the way. Call for booking assistance and expert cruise advice.

Plan your cruise today.

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