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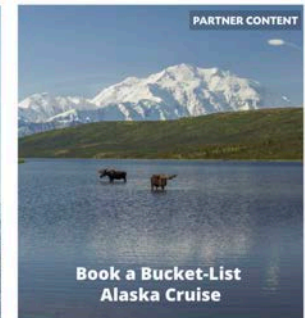
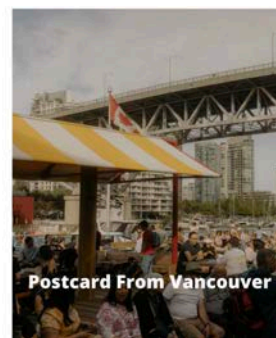
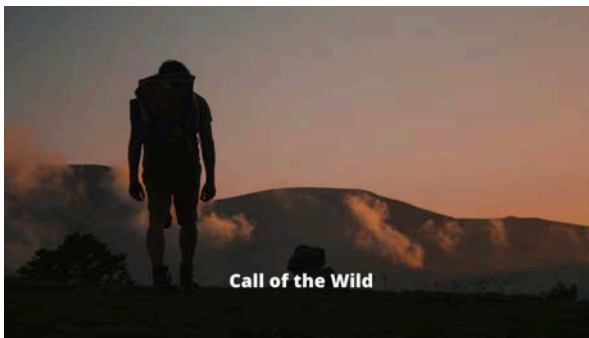
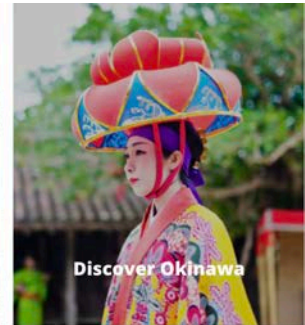
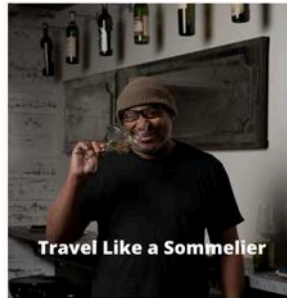
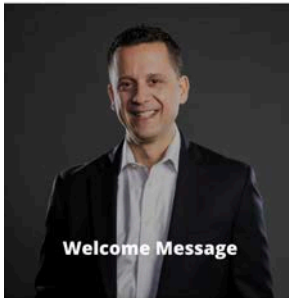
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Dear Members and Owners,

As the sun-drenched days of summer wind down, I hope the endless travel possibilities in our second 2024 issue of Club Traveler encourage you to make the most of the remaining months. Whether it's a spontaneous fall escape or planning your dream vacation in the year ahead, I invite you to dive in and find your travel inspiration.

I'd be remiss if I didn't mention that August marks one year since the devastating wildfires in Maui. Home to two of our resorts and numerous Team Members, Maui's resilient community is determined to rebuild and heal. HGV remains committed to supporting the community through our Maui Support Relief Fund, which has provided nearly \$500,000 in emergency grants for people impacted by the fires and food and accommodations for Team Members. Vacationing on the island this season is a way to help boost the local economy, a lifeline for the resilient community that relies on the aloha of visitors. Through kind, community-led tourism, we can extend a helping hand to those who have endured so much. So, if you haven't planned your next escape yet, I urge you to consider a stay on this beautiful island at Maui Bay Villas, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club, which had its formal grand opening in June, or the rebranded Hilton Vacation Club Ka'anapali Beach.

As I approach my two-year milestone as HGV's chief customer officer, I'm continually energized by efforts to enhance your vacation ownership even more. The acquisition of Bluegreen Vacations has kept me busy traveling to our newly acquired properties in markets such as Nashville, Panama City Beach, San Antonio and New Orleans. I'm excited to see how we can make these resorts available to our Members in the future. I'm also happy to share several significant HGV initiatives accomplished this year:

- The launch of new HGV Max benefits like the Open Season Credit.
- A unified website experience for our Owners and Members.
- A new partnership with Great Wolf Lodge.
- The rebranding of 40 former Diamond resorts into the Hilton Vacation since 2022.

In addition, the FORMULA 1 HEINEKEN SILVER LAS VEGAS GRAND PRIX event is in its second year, with exciting opportunities for our Owners and Members to have a front-row seat to all the action. Our exclusive access to the high-octane world of F1 racing will thrill adrenaline enthusiasts and racing fans alike.

The Great Outdoors Awaits You

Speaking of thrills, our cover story, "Call of the Wild," beckons you to discover North America's most awe-inspiring wildernesses. Brace yourself for 10 adventurous activities that will rekindle any wanderlust spirit — from hiking, whitewater rafting, off-roading, kayaking, horseback riding and more, there are boundless ways for intrepid explorers to enjoy and reconnect with nature.

Discover Vancouver

Our second feature story, "Postcard From Vancouver", will take you on a picture-perfect tour of this vibrant British Columbia city. Nestled between stunning mountains and the Pacific Ocean, Vancouver offers a unique blend of natural beauty and urban sophistication. Our photographic story showcases the bustling metropolis's eclectic art, culinary, shopping and nightlife scenes, capturing the essence of this remarkable destination.

Ignite Your Wanderlust

If you're looking for another city getaway but don't have much time, "48 Hours in Las Vegas" provides a whirlwind two-day itinerary that gives you a taste of Sin City's most extravagant activities, including luxury casinos, secret bars and helicopter tours. For a more laid-back vibe, head to the tropics in "One Region, Five Ways: Los Cabos" to discover some of the best to enjoy this popular destination through art, wellness and spirituality, food and drink, water activities and more. Finally, tranquility seekers should look no further than "Off the Beaten Track in Okinawa, Japan" to learn more about the region's unique history and beautiful mix of towns and protected areas, perfect for slowing down to savor the culture.

Thank you for being a part of the HGV family. We're honored to play a part in helping you create memories that will last a lifetime. With our new partnerships and ongoing enhancements, there's never been a better time to vacation with us!

Happy journeys ahead,

Derek De Salvia
Executive Vice President & Chief Customer Officer
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TRAVEL LIKE A

SOMMELIER

Follow these expert tips to elevate your wine experience on your next vacation

Writer: Emma Love

Long wine lists in bars and restaurants can be hard to navigate — which is where a sommelier can be invaluable. [Sarah Looper](#), sommelier at New York's il Buco restaurant, and winemaker and sommelier [André Hueston Mack](#), of & Sons Hospitality group in Brooklyn, New York, share their advice to unlock a deeper appreciation for what's in your glass.



Sommelier André Hueston Mack Image: Liz Clayman

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UNDERSTANDING WHAT YOU LIKE IS THE FOUNDATION FOR DECIDING WHAT TO DRINK

André Hueston Mack



TRUST YOUR OWN TASTE

“Wine enjoyment is subjective: Understanding what you like provides a solid foundation for deciding what to drink,” says André. “While factors like food pairing, producer reputation and wine region can enhance the experience, they should support your taste preferences rather than override them.”

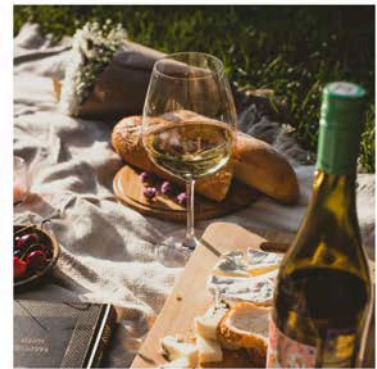
Sarah suggests starting with a grape you know, then trying something new on the same taste scale. “For instance, if Chablis is a favorite, you could perhaps order a Vouvray or a carricante from Sicily.”



CONSIDER GOING NO-LOW

According to Sarah, the no-low trend is gaining momentum in the United States. “For low-alcohol, I recommend a spritz using red wine, fruit and ice to make a light sangria. Or make a low-alcohol cocktail with shorter measures of vermouth, for example. Other alternatives include low-alcohol teas by Spain's Ama Brewery and MURI's aperitif drinks from Denmark, which blend fermented fruits and botanicals.”

André continues: “Certain styles like riesling and moscato naturally have lower alcohol levels than bold red wines like cabernet sauvignon or shiraz. Options such as alcohol-free sparkling wine are increasingly available and maintain the right flavor characteristics.”



AVOID POST-WINE HEADACHES

“Stay hydrated, moderate your intake and be mindful of sugar by opting for drier varieties since sweet wines can contribute to headaches,” adds André. “Some individuals may be sensitive to histamines (byproducts of fermentation), so avoiding histamine-rich options like aged red wines may help.”

Sticking to one color of wine to avoid a headache is a myth, says Sarah. Instead, she suggests “asking places if they do half-glass pours. Start with that and some bread to line the stomach.”

Dates For Your Diary

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

AUGUST

● LATE AUGUST-LATE SEPTEMBER



GRAPE HARVEST

When

Late August–Late September 2024

Where

Tuscany, Italy

Why Go

The end of summer means time for la vendemmia in the vine-covered hills of Tuscany as workers begin harvesting bunches of just-right grapes for the winemaking process. It's a time of celebration, and visitors can participate in the fun via vineyard tours, open cellars and local events like the Grape Festival in Impruneta (September 29).



Where To Stay

[Borgo alle Vigne, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club](#)

● FRIDAY NIGHTS, AUGUST-SEPTEMBER



HOMA NIGHTS AT HONOLULU MUSEUM OF ART

When

Friday nights through August and September

Where

Oahu, Hawaii

Why Go

Every Friday evening between 6 p.m. and 9 p.m., the charming Honolulu Museum of Art stays open late for HoMA Nights, an engaging series of evenings featuring interactive art, music and dining experiences. Catch talks by local artists, listen to up-and-coming bands or just enjoy the chance to stargaze from the building's lovely courtyards in between checking out exhibitions that range from photography to Hawaiian fashion through the ages.

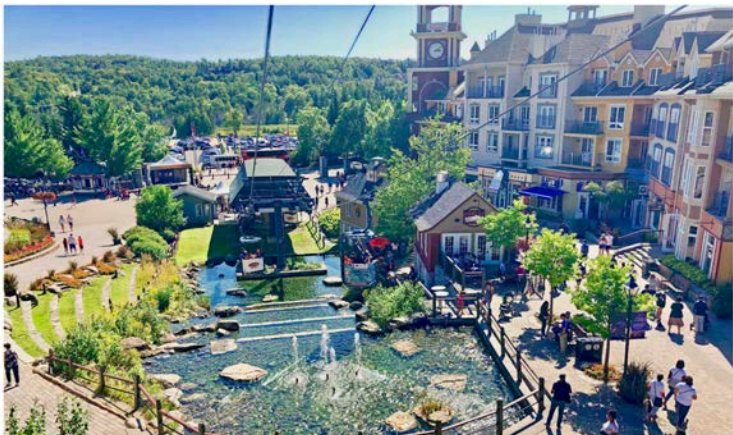


Where To Stay

[Grand Waikikian, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club](#)

SEPTEMBER

● SEPTEMBER 14–OCTOBER 13



MUSIC AND COLOURS

When

September 14–October 13, 2024

Where

Mont-Tremblant, Quebec, Canada

Why Go

In this month-long celebration of music, the streets of this quaint, pedestrianized village ring out as different local artists take to the stage each weekend. Less than a two-hour drive from Montreal, Mont-Tremblant is particularly picturesque in the fall, when the leaves blaze in shades of red, orange and yellow. For the best views, ride the gondola up the highest peak in the Laurentian Mountains for a breathtaking display of color.



Where To Stay

[Tremblant, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club](#)

● SEPTEMBER 23



SARA EVANS HGV LIVE! CONCERT

When

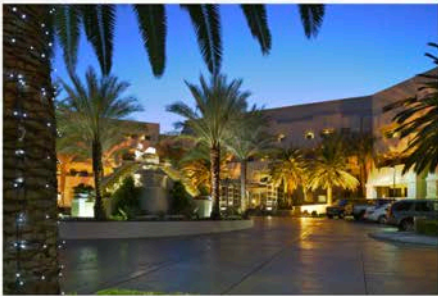
September 23, 2024

Where

Las Vegas, Nevada

Why Go

HGV Ultimate Access is your ticket to turning any vacation into a once-in-a-lifetime experience with private concerts from chart-topping artists, dinners cooked by celebrity chefs and sporting events with legendary athletes. This September, award-winning country music star Sara Evans takes to the stage in Vegas for this exclusive performance, including No. 1 hits "Born to Fly" and "No Place That Far."



Where To Stay

[Cancun Las Vegas, a Hilton Vacation Club](#)

OCTOBER

● OCTOBER 5



OKTOBERFEST

When

October 5, 2024

Where

Carlsbad, California

Why Go

Munich isn't the only destination to enjoy bratwurst and beer gardens this fall, as Carlsbad hosts its 42nd annual Oktoberfest in the beautiful San Diego County countryside. This family-friendly festival has a host of activities for all ages and live German music, as well as a huge selection of lagers, pilsners, seltzers and special Oktoberfest brews — plus wines from California's Pegasus Estate Winery.



Where To Stay

[MarBrisa, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club](#) or [Grand Pacific Palisades Vacation Resort](#)

● OCTOBER 27-29



SPOOKTACULAR HOT-AIR BALLOON FESTIVAL

When

October 27-29, 2024

Where

Scottsdale, Arizona

Why Go

This family-friendly weekend takes Halloween to new heights with more than 20 hot-air balloons, a haunted trail and spooky costume contests. Each balloon serves as a trick-or-treat station that glows throughout the night while dishing out over 4,000 pounds of candy. The pumped-up fun doesn't stop there, as there's also a free kids' zone with inflatable bounce houses, slides and an obstacle course.



Where To Stay

[Scottsdale Links Resort, a Hilton Vacation Club](#)

NOVEMBER

● AUGUST 29–NOVEMBER 23



EPCOT INTERNATIONAL FOOD & WINE FESTIVAL

When

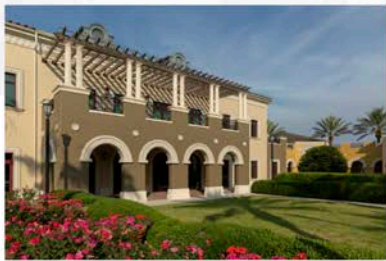
August 29–November 23, 2024

Where

Orlando, Florida

Why Go

This hugely popular foodie extravaganza returns to Epcot for its 30th year with over 25 global marketplaces dotted around the park, allowing visitors to travel and taste the world from Australia to Spain. Previous years have dished up everything from chimichurri steak tacos and spicy tuna sushi rolls to mango lassis and frozen caipirinhas, alongside live music from the “Eat to the Beat” concert series.



Where To Stay

[Tuscany Village, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club](#) and [Cypress Pointe, a Hilton Vacation Club](#)

● NOVEMBER 21–23



FORMULA 1 HEINEKEN SILVER LAS VEGAS GRAND PRIX 2024

When

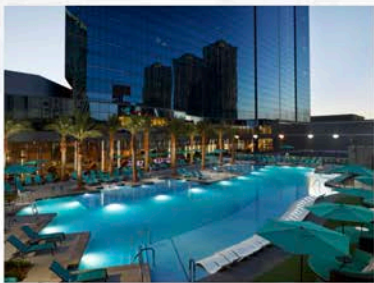
November 21–23, 2024

Where

Las Vegas, Nevada

Why Go

The F1 spectacular returns to The Strip for the season’s most thrilling night race. As an official event partner, Hilton Grand Vacations is offering an exclusive opportunity for fans to have front-row seats at the 3.8-mile race track. HGV Ultimate Access attendees can watch Red Bull, Ferrari and McLaren drivers battle it out for a place on the podium as they whizz past iconic Vegas landmarks at speeds of up to 217 mph. To purchase tickets, visit [this page](#).



Where To Stay

[Elara, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club](#) and [Desert Retreat, a Hilton Vacation Club](#)

DECEMBER

● LATE OCTOBER – EARLY MARCH



ICE SKATING IN NEW YORK

When

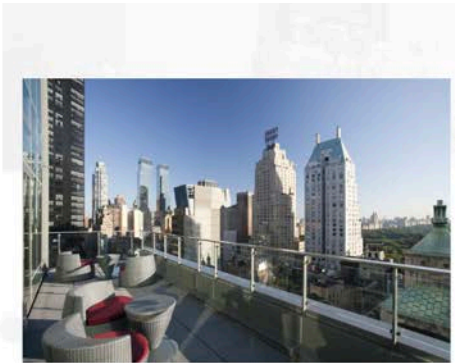
Late October 2024–Early March 2025

Where

New York, New York

Why Go

Nothing heralds the start of the holiday season quite like ice skating in New York as the city starts to twinkle. The classic choice for outdoor ice rinks is [The Rink at Rockefeller Center](#) where you can skate beneath its towering Christmas tree. For something leafier, head to the [Wollman Rink](#) in Central Park, or for Manhattan skyline views try [Glide at Brooklyn Bridge Park](#), while [Bryant Park](#) has the Big Apple’s only admission-free skate.



Where To Stay

[West 57th Street, a Hilton Club](#)

● MID NOVEMBER – EARLY JANUARY



PARIS CHRISTMAS LIGHTS AND MARKETS

When

Mid November 2024–Early January 2025

Where

Paris, France

Why Go

The City of Lights lives up to its name with dazzling Christmas displays all over town. One of the most spectacular sights is along the Champs-Élysées as 200 trees leading to the Arc de Triomphe shimmer in lights. Afterward, head to the nearby La Magie de Noël market at the Tuileries Garden for vin chaud, crepes, crafts and fairground rides.



Where To Stay

[Royal Regency Paris Vincennes](#)

Member Resort Availability

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Borgo alle Vigne, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club	✓	✓		✓		✓
Grand Waikikian, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club	✓	✓		✓		✓
Las Palmeras, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club	✓	✓		✓		✓
Cancun Las Vegas, a Hilton Vacation Club		✓	✓	✓		✓
MarBrisa, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club	✓	✓		✓		✓
Grand Pacific Palisades Resort	✓	✓		✓		✓
Scottsdale Links Resort, a Hilton Vacation Club		✓	✓	✓		✓
Tuscany Village, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club	✓	✓		✓		✓
Cypress Pointe, a Hilton Vacation Club		✓	✓	✓		✓
Elara, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club	✓	✓		✓		✓
Desert Retreat, a Hilton Vacation Club		✓	✓	✓		✓
West 57th Street, a Hilton Club	✓	✓		✓		✓
Royal Regency Paris Vincennes		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

A Perfect Bite

Three unmissable fine-dining restaurants to try this season



Acadia serves traditional Levantine dishes with a modern twist

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Acadia in New York

101 West 57th Street, New York 10019

Why Go

Opened in Midtown Manhattan in 2023, Acadia is the second restaurant from innovative Israeli-Tunisian chef Ari Bokovza (his first was Dagon on the Upper West Side), whose food focuses on the Levant region. One side of the wood-paneled space features an open kitchen with a taboon oven for baking bread, a rotisserie and colorful tiled columns inspired by spice markets.

What to Order

To start, try the shashliks, an elevated version of street food skewers popular in Turkey and Syria. Ingredients such as seasoned shrimp or pomegranate glazed salmon are charred to perfection and served with rice pilaf, roasted tomatoes and chili, Tunisian pickles and Bibb lettuce. Signature dishes include crispy roasted lamb neck, showcasing the flavors of North Africa, and the lamb kofta terra cotta that comes in a spicy tomato sauce, served with a traditional bread dome. For dessert, order the silan, a vanilla sponge cake with creamy halva (tahini mousse).

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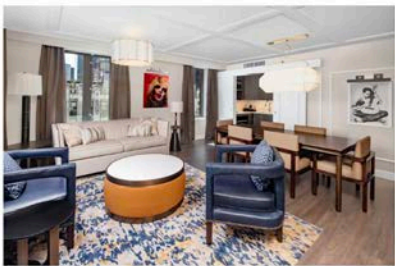
On the lunch menu, the pastrami sandwich and overnight chicken soup pay homage to Wolf's Delicatessen, a New York staple that was at this location for decades.



Don't miss the silan vanilla sponge cake with halva or a refreshing fruit cocktail with a twist

Where to Stay

[The Quin, a Hilton Club](#) is a sophisticated retreat in the heart of Manhattan, just steps from Central Park. The resort features stylish accommodations ranging from Studios to 1- and 2-Bedroom Suites, all in a contemporary style with state-of-the-art amenities.



Spicy tomato pasta and the elaborate Le Roy Burger are menu classics at Fine Company



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Fine Company in Las Vegas

10970 Rosemary Park Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89135

Why Go

Proving that not all culinary action happens on The Strip, Chef Roy Ellemar launched Fine Company in Downtown Summerlin last year. The ethos is food for “every day, anytime” and it reflects both his Hawaiian upbringing and Filipino-American heritage. Eat inside the minimalist space (the warm neutral palette takes its cues from the desert landscape) or on the terrace under the shade of a Brazilian peppertree.

What to Order

Mom’s Banana Bread — an updated version of Roy’s mother’s recipe that uses local honey, Hawaiian sea salt and a crunchy top of demerara sugar — has been a hit since day one. Also try his take on classics such as spicy tomato pasta, salt and pepper shrimp and the Le Roy burger, an elaborate cheeseburger made with brisket, short rib and chuck steak.

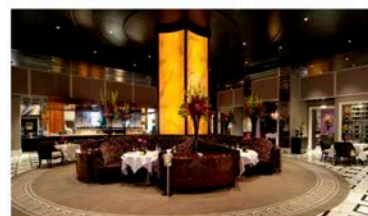
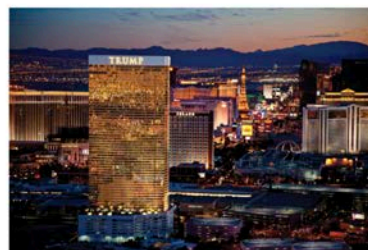
Details

During Fine Time (weekdays from 2–5 p.m.), many small plates are half-price. Plus, there’s a rotating selection of \$5 wines and cocktails like the Pandan Bear, a pandan-infused white rum concoction served in a bear-shaped glass.



Where to Stay

The luxurious [Trump International Hotel Las Vegas](#), a [Hilton Grand Vacations Club](#) has spacious Studios and 1- to 3-Bedroom Suites, each featuring floor-to-ceiling windows with stunning views of the city. Members can enjoy the air-conditioned cabanas on the pool deck, a full-service spa and fine dining, all while enjoying easy access to Las Vegas’ renowned entertainment and attractions.



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Kapa Hale in Honolulu

4614 Kilauea Avenue, Suite 102, Honolulu, HI 96816

Why Go

Honolulu-born chef-owner Keaka Lee cut his teeth in Michelin-starred restaurants like New York’s Le Bernardin and Gramercy Tavern before returning to cook at Vietnamese restaurant The Pig & The Lady. Four years ago, he opened the now James Beard-nominated Kapa Hale, combining Hawaiian ingredients with Asian-fusion influences. On the walls, traditional geometric kapa motifs tell stories through pattern — and Keaka does the same with his food.

What to Order

Dishes like I Love You a Laksa, a creamy risotto and Malaysian curry mash-up with scallops, clams and Kauai shrimp, or Where’s Da Beef? that swaps out meat Bolognese for mushrooms and cauliflower are must-tries. Tempting homemade desserts include Lemon Dream, a take on a lemon meringue pie with passionfruit curd and kapa-printed meringue, and Da Kahala Shuffle, a chocolate and Kahlua mud pie named after the surrounding neighborhood.

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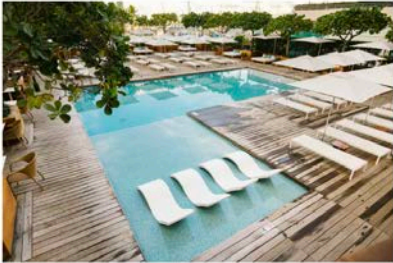
On all the menus (brunch, lunch and dinner), the V is for Vegetable section showcases the versatility of locally grown produce.



Dishes at Kapa Hale combine Hawaiian ingredients with Asian-fusion influences
Images: Olivier Koning

Where to Stay

[The Modern, a Hilton Vacation Club](#) is a chic beachfront retreat blending contemporary design with Hawaiian hospitality. This stylish resort offers sleek Studios and 1- and 2-Bedroom Suites, all featuring modern amenities and stunning ocean or city views. Guests can enjoy two pools, including an adults-only infinity pool, multiple dining options and easy access to Waikiki Beach.



Member Resort Availability

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The Quin, a Hilton Club	✓	✓		✓		✓
Trump International Hotel Las Vegas, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club	✓	✓		✓		✓
The Modern, a Hilton Vacation Club		✓	✓	✓		✓



One Region, Five Ways *Los Cabos*

Words: Alexandra Owens

Mexico's fastest-growing resort area offers thrilling watersports, world-class golf, award-winning restaurants and fascinating culture

Located where the desert, ocean and mountains meet at the southern tip of the Baja California peninsula, Los Cabos reigns as one of Mexico's most stunning destinations — and its most popular. With over 350 days of sunshine every year, this natural playground has been drawing travelers for decades to dive, surf, fish, golf, hike, sail and relish the hypnotic beauty of the turquoise waters surrounding them. But the region and its two towns, San José del Cabo and Cabo San Lucas, also have a rich cultural side — with one of the liveliest arts districts in Mexico, a burgeoning food scene and luxury spas inspired by Mexico's native heritage. Here's our pick of some of the best things to see and do while visiting Los Cabos.

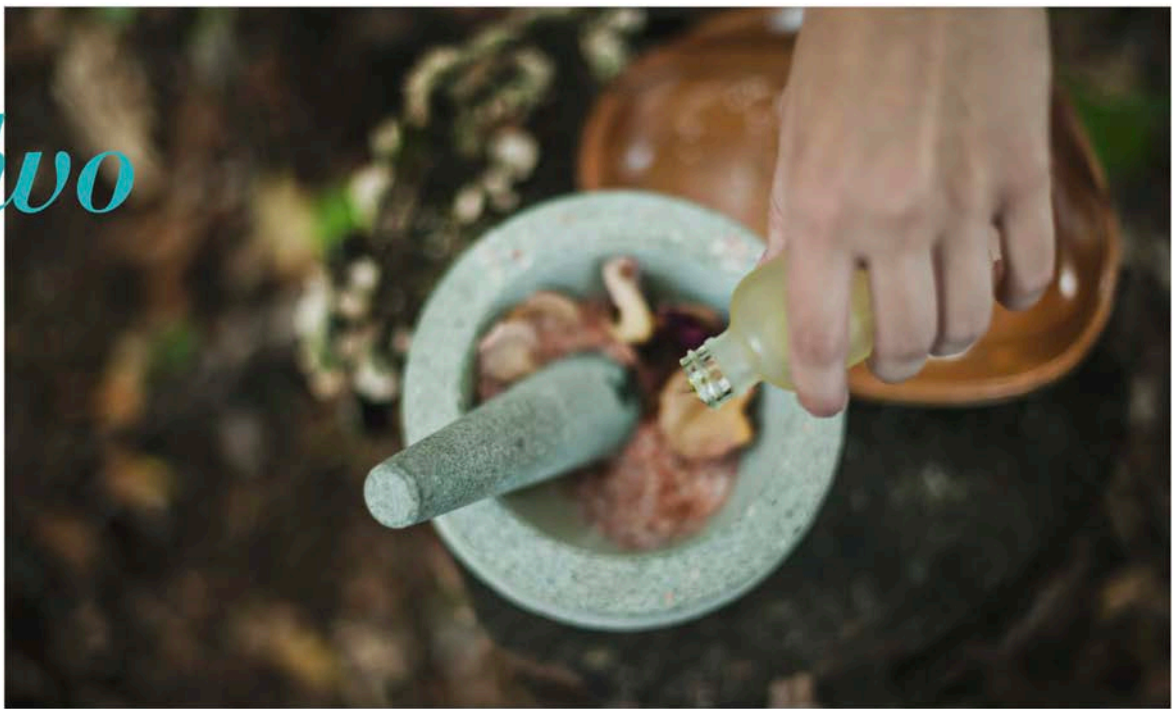


Colorful murals and creative sculptures are part of the region's thriving art scene
Image by Jake Naughton

Art

Immerse yourself in San José del Cabo's thriving [Gallery District](#) by strolling the charming cobblestone streets in search of fine artwork and authentic Mexican craftsmanship. The [Frank Arnold Gallery](#) showcases dramatic abstract oil paintings and bronze sculptures, while [La Sacristia](#) boasts an impressive selection of exclusive ceramics and silver jewelry. From November through June, the [San José Art Walk](#) takes place every Thursday evening, attracting art aficionados from near and far. This popular local event celebrates the region's creative spirit with wine tastings, artist-in-residence chats, exhibition openings and other festive happenings.

Two



Wellness seekers can enjoy organic ingredients and innovative spa treatments
Image by Getty Images

Wellness and Spirituality

Temazcal, a type of sweat lodge that traces its roots to the pre-Hispanic Indigenous cultures of Mesoamerica, is one of the world's oldest spa traditions, dating back thousands of years. Curious travelers can experience the cleansing ritual firsthand at [Playa Grande Spa](#) and [One & Only Palmilla](#). Not interested in sweating it out? Many of the area's best spas provide treatments that blend ancestral heritage with modern sensibilities. At the [Luna y Mar](#) spa at [Waldorf Astoria Los Cabos Pedregal](#), Baja-native plants are hand-harvested for organic, skin-soothing topical creams and oils, while the phases of the moon inspire different relaxing body treatments.



Three

Don't miss the chance to eat al fresco dining and try fresh local food at Flora Farms
Images by Jake Naughton

Food and Drink

With easy access to seafood from both the Pacific Ocean and the Sea of Cortés, and a plethora of organic farms, Los Cabos might have one of the best — and buzziest — restaurant scenes in Mexico. Savor it by dining al fresco at boho-chic venues, including [Talavera](#) at [La Pacifica Los Cabos](#), a [Hilton Club](#), [Flora Farms](#), [Acre](#) and [Agricole](#). One can't-miss restaurant, [Semillón](#) — nestled in a picturesque 32-acre nature sanctuary — features a menu of abalone ceviche, soft-shell crab tacos and wood-fired steak from Baja California's most celebrated chef, Javier Plascencia. Close out the evening at [La Lupita Taco y Mezcal](#), where you'll discover a never-ending party, a band that doesn't quit and the area's best mezcal list.

Four



Los Cabos is a haven for water sports enthusiasts
Image by Getty Images

On the Water

Jacques Cousteau once described the Sea of Cortés, which borders Los Cabos, as “the world’s aquarium.” That reputation has stuck thanks to the region’s remarkable biodiversity and stunning, untouched ocean. Whether you’re into snorkeling, sailing, surfing, scuba diving or swimming, Los Cabos is a paradise for watersports; just remember to find the right beach based on the type of activity you’re after, including swimming. Jet ski in Cabo San Lucas Bay, go kayaking or snorkeling among sea turtles and an ancient coral reef in [Cabo Pulmo National Marine Park](#) or try your hand at windsurfing at La Ventana with the instructors at [ChiloChill](#). Make sure you [charter](#) a boat out to El Arco, an iconic limestone arch where the Sea of Cortés meets the Pacific Ocean, for a glimpse of lounging sea lions and blue-footed boobies.



Diamante Dunes is a scenic course on the Pacific Coast
Image by Getty Images

At the Golf Course

Los Cabos has evolved into one of North America’s top golf destinations thanks to its year-round sunshine, spectacular links woven into a desert-meets-ocean landscape and big-name courses designed by the likes of Greg Norman, Jack Nicklaus, Tom Fazio and Davis Love III. The public [Cabo del Sol Course](#), which winds through canyon-like arroyos and challenges golfers with epic water hazards and bunkers, is among the world’s best golf courses. Players considering private membership should look into [Diamante Dunes](#) or [Cabo del Sol’s Cove Club Golf Course](#), the No. 1- and 2-ranked courses in all of Mexico.

Where to Stay

Discover a tropical paradise at [La Pacifica Los Cabos, a Hilton Club](#), perched on the edge of the Sea of Cortés. Enjoy dramatic ocean views from the balconies of spacious Studios and 1- and 2-Bedroom Suites and relax in cozy accommodations equipped with rainfall showers and king-size beds.

[Cabo Azul, a Hilton Vacation Club](#) provides Guests with luxury amenities, such as a hot tub, laundry service and oasis-like plunge pools. Pamper yourself with a trip to the resort's spa, work out in the fitness center and enjoy traditional Mexican cuisine at the five-star restaurant.



La Pacifica Los Cabos, a Hilton Club has a beautiful beachside infinity pool



Cabo Azul, a Hilton Vacation Club offers authentic Mexican cuisine

Member Resort Availability

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La Pacifica Los Cabos, a Hilton Club	✓	✓		✓		✓

Okinawa

The laid-back, health-giving vibes of this tropical Japanese region are worth heading off the tourist trail for



A glimpse of vibrant Ryukyu traditions in Okinawa

Words: Emily Mathieson **Images:** Unsplash

Beyond the bright lights and bullet trains of Japan's major cities is the restorative and tranquil region of Okinawa. This archipelago of 160 small islands dotted around the East China Sea has a unique history and atmosphere with a beautiful mix of towns and protected natural areas. This is a place to slow down and savor the culture — whether sampling the region's health-boosting cuisine or exploring uninhabited tropical isles. Here's your guide to the area's must-dos.



Explore the Past at Temples and Ruins

A good starting point for experiencing the region's history is the historic Shuri Castle. Its ornate carvings and classic gateways transport visitors back centuries to witness the legacy of the former Ryukyu Kingdom. Tranquil spots like the clifftop Naminoue Shrine and the crumbling ruins at Sefa Utaki, situated in a sacred forest, offer a glimpse into Okinawa's spiritual heritage.

Get a Health Boost With Specialty Dishes

Extending life is an art in Okinawa, home to the world's highest concentration of centenarians.

Longevity-boosting local dishes to try include the nutrient-packed goya chanpuru (a stir fry made with bitter melon) and the antioxidant-rich beni imo (purple sweet potato), which is delicious on tarts and as a side in place of rice. For an authentic no-frills culinary experience head to Onna No Eki — where local chefs serve from a little hatch in Onna Station.



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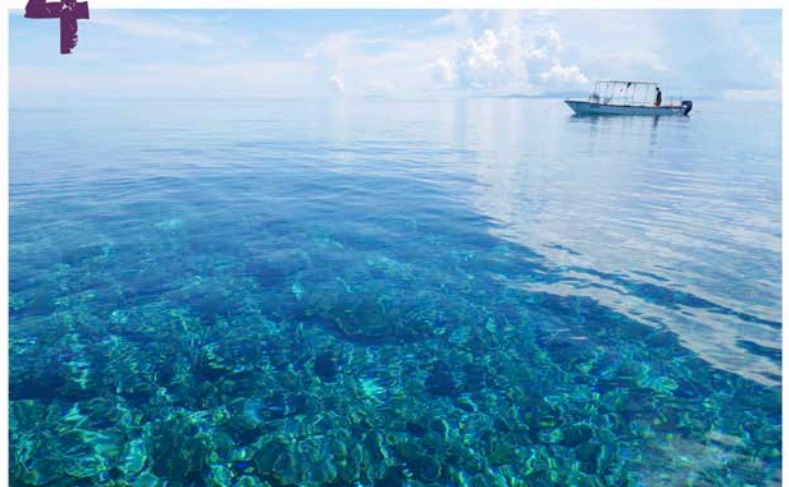
Relax on Untouched Tropical Beaches

The tiny island of Sesoko is just a 1.5-hour drive over a stunning bridge from the main Okinawa island. Despite its diminutive size, Sesoko has several postcard-perfect beaches worth visiting. Nishibama Beach is an undeveloped stretch of powder-soft, white sand on the south side of the island where you could have the beach to yourself, even in high season. The more lively but still peaceful Sesoko Beach on the northeast coast offers amenities like beach chairs and a casual restaurant.

Snorkel and Dive in Crystal-Clear Waters

The reefs surrounding Sesoko are part of the Okinawa Kaigan Quasi-National Park, a protected area for the island's incredible marine biodiversity. The vibrant coral formations here are alive with tropical fish, sea turtles, manta rays and whale sharks. Numerous dive shops on the main island offer snorkeling and diving excursions to Sesoko's prime reef sites.

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Hike the Islands' Forest Trails

Many of Okinawa's islands have densely wooded interiors that make for great hiking with scenic vistas. On Sesoko, one main path loops around the entire island, with many smaller side trails leading to hidden shrines, rock formations and giant palm trees. It's impossible to get lost and hiking is easy for all levels. If you're hiking some of the longer trails on the main island, keep an eye out for the indigenous Okinawa rail, a rare, flightless bird.

Where to Stay



[The Beach Resort Sesoko, a Hilton Club](#)

Situated just steps from the sand, the tranquil Studios and 1-, 2- and 3-Bedroom Suites at this resort all feature stunning ocean views. Amenities include a full-service spa, fitness center and pools for children and adults.

Member Resort Availability

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Call of the Wild

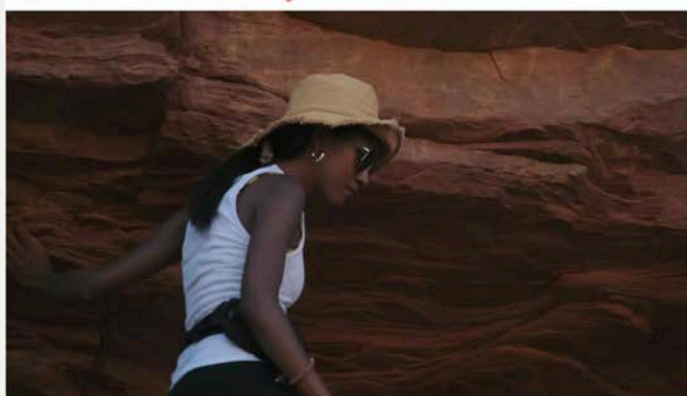
Strike out beyond the urban landscapes of North America to adventure into the untamed wilderness

Words: Fiona Tapp **Images:** Unsplash & Getty

There's nothing like the great outdoors to lift the spirits and restore body and mind. And few places offer more variety than North America. From rugged mountains in Colorado, through subtropical waterways in the Everglades and up mountain peaks in Quebec, these lands offer endless trails, winding rivers, sheer rock faces and even volcano craters to explore.



Hike Antelope Canyon in Arizona



Explore the intricate passageways carved by wind and water over centuries as you marvel at the play of light and shadow on the canyon walls. Tours here are only allowed with an official Navajo guide, as the canyon is protected. You'll start your adventure just outside Page, near the Arizona-Utah border, in a four-wheel-drive vehicle bouncing over sand dunes to reach the canyon. Plan to be here at noon when golden shafts of light reach through the canyon, creating an otherworldly shimmering effect.

Where to Stay

Choose [Sedona Summit, a Hilton Vacation Club](#) and unwind in one of the spacious 1-, 2- or 3-Bedroom Suites after a day of adventuring. Four swimming pools, a playground and a game room will keep the kids busy while adults enjoy the hot tub.

Just an hour's drive from Phoenix, [Rancho Mañana, a Hilton Vacation Club](#) features 2-Bedroom Suites with full gourmet kitchens. Take a patio seat at the restaurant with views over the Rancho Mañana Golf Club and enjoy classic Southwestern flavors.

Above: Millions of years of geological history create an otherworldly experience at Antelope Canyon

Left: Choose [Sedona Summit, a Hilton Vacation Club](#) for a convenient and family-friendly post-adventure stay



Dog Sled or Horseback Ride in Mont-Tremblant



Above: For a memorable mountain escape, try dog-sledding in Mont-Tremblant

Left: Enjoy a stay at the well-equipped, family-friendly Tremblant, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club

Experience the exhilaration of dog sledding through pristine snow-covered landscapes or saddle up for a picturesque horseback ride through scenic valley trails in Canada's Quebec Laurentian region. In winter you can drive a team of dogs or cozy up as a passenger under warm blankets and let someone else do the steering while you feel the rush of crisp air and the excitement of gliding swiftly through silent, snow-laden forests. Once the snow melts, you can shift gear to explore the mountain on horseback. Meander along winding trails that showcase Mont-Tremblant's diverse ecosystems while trotting through fragrant pine forests and past breathtaking vantage points. Revel in the tranquility of nature and keep an eye out for local wildlife, including white-tailed deer.

Where to Stay

Close to the resort village and famous ski hill, [Tremblant, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club](#) offers 1-, 2- and 3-Bedroom Suites with spacious patios overlooking meadows and mountain views. Splash around in the outdoor seasonal pool and hot tub or enjoy a family night at the movie theater.

Zipline the Smoky Mountains in Tennessee



Above: Experience the thrill of adrenaline while ziplining the Smoky Mountains

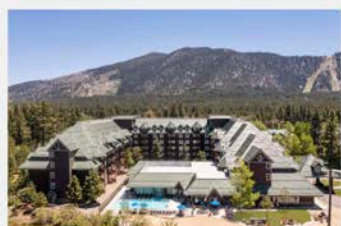
Left: The cozy Sunrise Ridge Resort is a comforting home away from home in the Smoky Mountains

Strap into your harness and feel the exhilaration as you soar through the misty forests of the Great Smoky Mountains in Tennessee. From the bustling tourist town of Pigeon Forge, venture into the heart of Appalachian wilderness for an unforgettable zipline adventure. Glide from mountaintop to mountaintop on instructor-led courses, with options suitable for all ages (kids ages four and up) and ability levels, ensuring your entire family can partake in the excitement. As you zip through the canopy, you'll breathe in the crisp mountain air scented with pine and wildflowers while zooming over a tapestry of ancient hardwoods and rhododendron thickets. You might hear the calls of native birds like the wood thrush or the vibrant scarlet tanager, or catch sight of one of the area's many waterfalls, its misty spray creating rainbows in the dappled sunlight.

Where to Stay

Located in the foothills of the Smoky Mountains, [Sunrise Ridge Resort](#) is the perfect base to explore the region. The 1- or 2-Bedroom Suites feature cozy fireplaces and a washing machine and dryer for added convenience. Enjoy a workout at the fitness center in the pools before grilling dinner on the barbecue.

Sail Lake Tahoe in California



Above: Lake Tahoe offers unique and varied on-the-water experiences

Left: Enjoy a forest location minutes from the water at the [Hilton Vacation Club Lake Tahoe Resort](#)

Set sail on the crystal-clear waters of Lake Tahoe, where the Sierra Nevada peaks form a majestic backdrop. Choose from a variety of vessels — sleek catamarans, classic motorboats, graceful sailboats or elegant cruises — each offering a unique perspective. Watch osprey and bald eagles soar as you cruise past lakeside mansions nestled among towering ponderosa pines, their architecture a blend of rustic charm and modern luxury. Or sail into Emerald Bay, a turquoise inlet dominated by the fairytale-like Vikingsholm Castle. Admire the untouched wilderness and shorelines of Sugar Pine Point State Park and you'll understand why Mark Twain called this lake "the fairest picture the whole Earth affords."

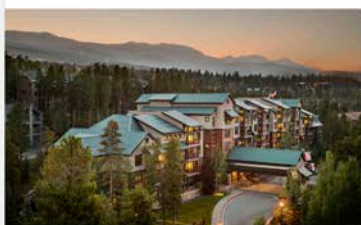
Where to Stay

Stay minutes from the lakeshore in the nearby [Hilton Vacation Club Lake Tahoe Resort](#). Your 1- or 2-Bedroom Suite comes with a fully equipped kitchen, as well as on-site swimming pools, a games room and communal firepits to enjoy time with friends and family.

Bike or Whitewater Raft in Colorado



Above: Colorado offers river thrills to remember



Left: Savor a stay in Breckenridge at Valdoro Mountain Lodge, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club

Take the adventure up a notch with an adrenaline-pumping whitewater rafting expedition on the Blue River, Royal Gorge or Colorado River. Plunge through frothing rapids and navigate around boulders and soak in the stunning beauty of steep canyon walls on calmer stretches. For a less demanding way to feel the crisp mountain air, try riding an e-bike along rugged trails as you conquer challenging inclines with ease and experience panoramic views of snow-capped peaks and wildflower-dotted meadows without breaking a sweat. Whether you're a biking enthusiast or a watersports lover, Breckenridge offers the perfect combination of outdoor adventure and fun for a variety of skill levels.

Where to Stay

Located within walking distance of the town and many activities, [Valdoro Mountain Lodge, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club](#) has spacious 1-, 2- and 3-Bedroom Suites, some with amazing balcony views of the Rocky Mountains and a spa to enjoy.

Tour the San Andreas Fault in California



Above: Few places provide a better glimpse of Earth's dynamic changes than the San Andreas Fault



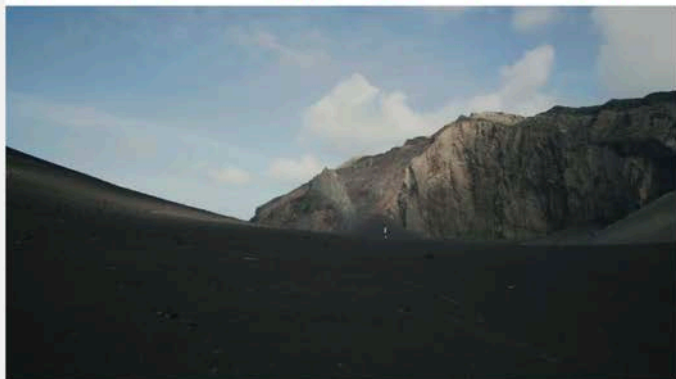
Left: Make Palm Canyon, a Hilton Vacation Club your base to enjoy a relaxing vacation

Ready for the ultimate off-road adventure with a Jeep tour of the iconic San Andreas Fault in Palm Springs? Feel the thrill of driving through the rocky terrain, exploring the otherworldly desert landscapes and ancient canyons of the fault line that shaped California's landscape. Look up to see towering rock formations and panoramic vistas, while learning about the region's geology and natural history from knowledgeable guides. You might glimpse roadrunners darting among the cacti or simply marvel at the area's narrow slot canyons, their walls polished smooth by millennia of wind and water erosion.

Where to Stay

Sheltered within the Coachella Valley, [Palm Canyon, a Hilton Vacation Club](#) features a large, luxurious swimming pool with a water slide to entertain the kids. Relax in your 1-, 2- or 3-Bedroom Suite with either patio or balcony views of the desert landscape.

Hike a Volcano or Explore Lava Tubes in Maui



Above: Witness geology in action over and underground on Maui

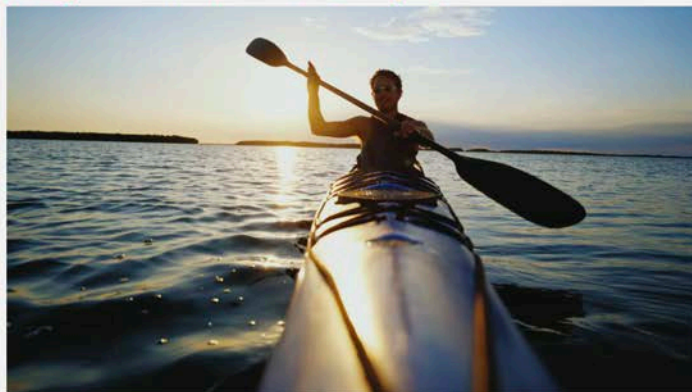
Left: Relax at **Hilton Vacation Club Ka'anapali Beach** after a day of exploration

Marvel at the expansive crater and otherworldly landscapes of Haleakala National Park as you ascend the dormant Haleakala volcano, which forms most of Maui's landmass. A pre-dawn hike is a thrilling way to witness a spectacular sunrise from the summit, 10,023 feet (3,055 metres) above sea level — and as the sun comes up, the moon-like terrain of the crater is revealed. Alternatively, explore the fascinating lava tube systems along Maui's rugged coastline. Navigate the pitch-black caverns of Ka'eleku Caverns near Hana, where stalactites and stalagmites create an eerie underground sculpture garden. At Wai'anapanapa State Park, a water-filled lava tube leads to crystal-clear freshwater pools. These underground passages, carved by ancient lava flows, offer a unique perspective on the island's fiery volcanic history.

Where to Stay

Stay at the [Hilton Vacation Club Ka'anapali Beach](#) which has spacious 1- and 2-Bedroom Suites. Enjoy floating around in the swimming pool, play a round of golf or go for a work out at the fitness center.

Kayak in the Florida Everglades



Above: Connect with Florida's natural side on an Everglades kayaking trip

Left: Combine an urban experience with wilderness exploration by staying at **McAlpin Ocean Plaza, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club** on South Beach

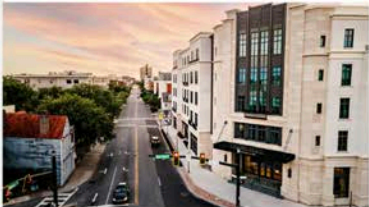
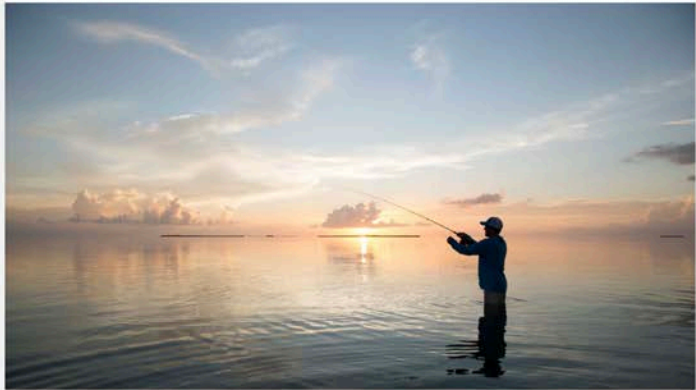
Experience kayaking at its finest in the Everglades National Park, Big Cypress or Ten Thousand Islands through mangrove forests, freshwater marshes, subtropical channels and hidden creeks. The Everglades offers a serene escape from the hustle and bustle of city life. Taking to the water and gently paddling its waterways is a peaceful opportunity to reconnect with nature and discover the magic of Florida's wild side. Look out for manatees, sea turtles and dolphins on your adventure.

Where to Stay

Relax in your 2-Bedroom Suite at [Charter Club Resort of Naples Bay](#), less than an hour's drive from the Everglades National Park's entrance. Suites feature a full kitchen, washer and dryer and a screened porch. You can rent bikes to explore the local area or fishing gear for a day on the water.

Located in South Beach, 84 miles from the Everglades, [McAlpin Ocean Plaza, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club](#) offers bright, stylish 1- and 2-Bedroom Suites with spacious living and dining areas in an oceanfront property.

Go Saltwater Flats Fishing in South Carolina



Above: Experience the thrill of line-fishing in South Carolina's beautiful saltwater flats

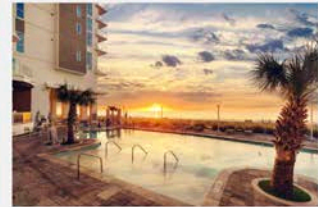
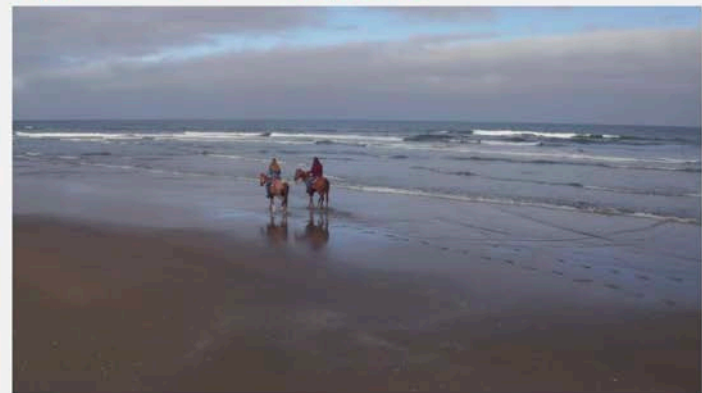
Left: Enjoy a stay full of sophistication at Liberty Place Charleston, a Hilton Club

Experience saltwater flats fishing in Charleston, South Carolina by casting your line into shallow waters teeming with redfish, trout and flounder as you navigate pristine marshes and tidal creeks. Seasoned anglers and novice fishers alike will find Charleston's saltwater flats the perfect place to practice, surrounded by breathtaking coastal scenery and abundant wildlife as a backdrop to the excitement of hooking a trophy fish. Seasoned anglers and novice fishers alike will find Charleston's saltwater flats the perfect place to practice, where salty air, breathtaking coastal scenery and warm sunshine add to the ambience of an unforgettable back-to-nature adventure.

Where to Stay

Choose the elegant [Liberty Place Charleston, a Hilton Club](#), perfectly situated in the historic district. Your 1- or 2-Bedroom Suite features king-size beds and walk-in showers, as well as a convenient kitchenette.

Horseback Ride in Myrtle Beach



Above: Saddle up for a unique way to experience Myrtle Beach's expansive shoreline

Left: You'll never be far from the beach at Ocean Enclave, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club

Take the reins on a scenic horseback ride along the pristine sun-kissed beaches of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Depending on the time of year, you'll ride with panoramic views of the Atlantic Ocean stretching out before you or along beautiful country trails inland. Trips can be tailored for an extreme wind-in-hair gallop (for experienced riders only) or a more gentle and leisurely trot. For a memorable experience, choose to ride at sunset and watch the horizon change as the setting sun casts hues of gold, orange and pink across the sky.

Where to Stay

Enjoy the convenience of direct beach access when you choose [Ocean Enclave, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club](#). Dine in your 1-, 2- or 3-Bedroom Suite, which features a fully equipped kitchen, or treat yourself to a meal at the on-site restaurant. Take a few laps in the indoor and outdoor pools or visit the state-of-the-art fitness center to keep up with your exercise goals.

Member Resort Availability

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Sedona Summit, a Hilton Vacation Club		✓	✓	✓		✓
Rancho Mañana, a Hilton Vacation Club		✓	✓	✓		✓
Tremblant, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club		✓		✓	✓	✓
Sunrise Ridge Resort		✓	✓	✓		✓
Hilton Vacation Club Lake Tahoe Resort		✓	✓	✓		✓
Valdoro Mountain Lodge, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club	✓	✓		✓		✓
Palm Canyon, a Hilton Vacation Club		✓	✓	✓		✓
Hilton Vacation Club Ka'anapali Beach		✓	✓	✓		✓
Charter Club Resort of Naples Bay		✓	✓	✓		✓
McAlpin Ocean Plaza, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club	✓	✓		✓		✓
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Fill your plate, tip your glass and appreciate the art with
our photo guide to Vancouver

Words: Fiona Tapp **Photography:** Grant Harder

Known for outdoor adventures in both its stunning natural mountain and Pacific Ocean settings, Vancouver is also an eclectic urban hub brimming with exciting architecture, nightlife, art, shopping and innovative food and drink stops.

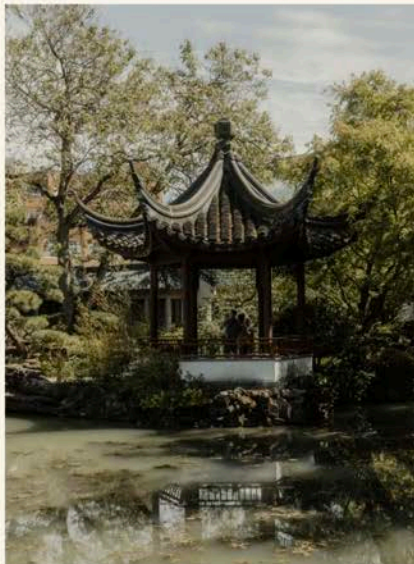


Wander the bustling indoor food market at Granville Island to sample local produce, gourmet treats and handcrafted goods while enjoying live music and street performances. Take a seat on the patio of The Vancouver Fish Company for oysters, mussels, lobster and wild salmon from Haida Gwaii. Then stop by the cocktail lounge at Liberty Distillery for a guided tour and tasting of one of their signature cocktails.

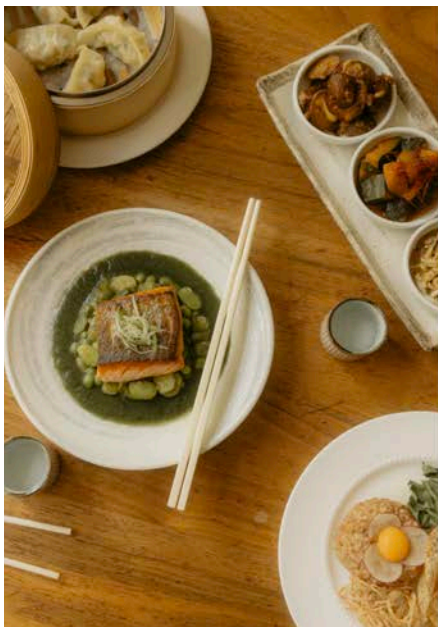


Rustic Italian cuisine with a contemporary twist is the mainstay at Savio Volpe, a cozy eatery inspired by the conviviality of the traditional Italian table. Feast on house-made fresh pasta like the saffron linguini tossed with shrimp and follow up with a blood orange Cosmopolitan.

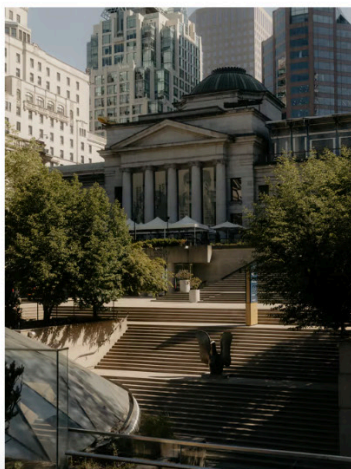
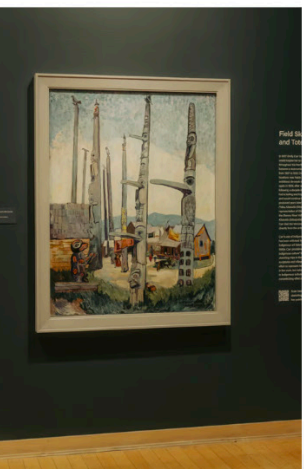




At one of the oldest Chinatowns in North America, you'll find bustling food markets where locals and visitors shop for fresh produce, seafood and specialty ingredients among a backdrop of pagodas and Chinese gardens.



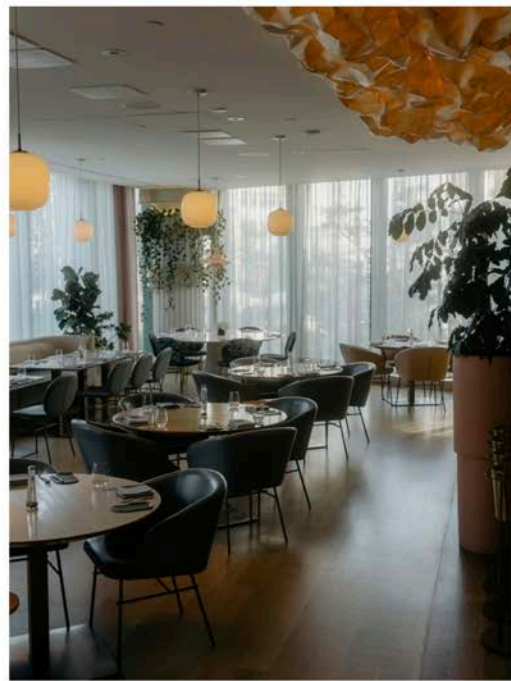
Try the handmade steamed pork dumplings and spring salmon with cabbage purée at Bao Bei, a stylish Chinese brasserie with playful, creative cuisine and an endorsement from the Michelin Guide.



Housed in a neoclassical building in the heart of downtown, the Vancouver Art Gallery showcases historical and contemporary works, including the largest collection on display by the modernist landscape painter Emily Carr. Vancouver's dynamic arts scene celebrates works by leading Indigenous and Asia-Pacific region artists.

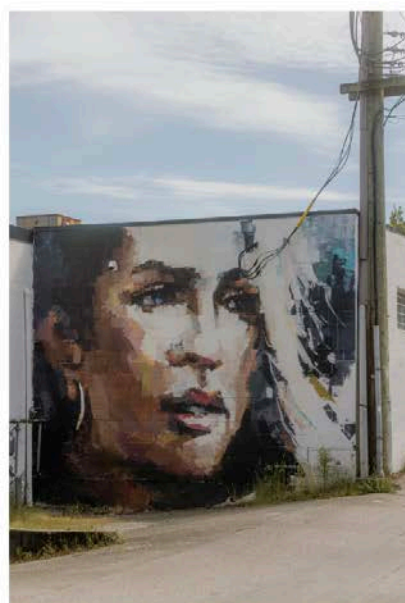
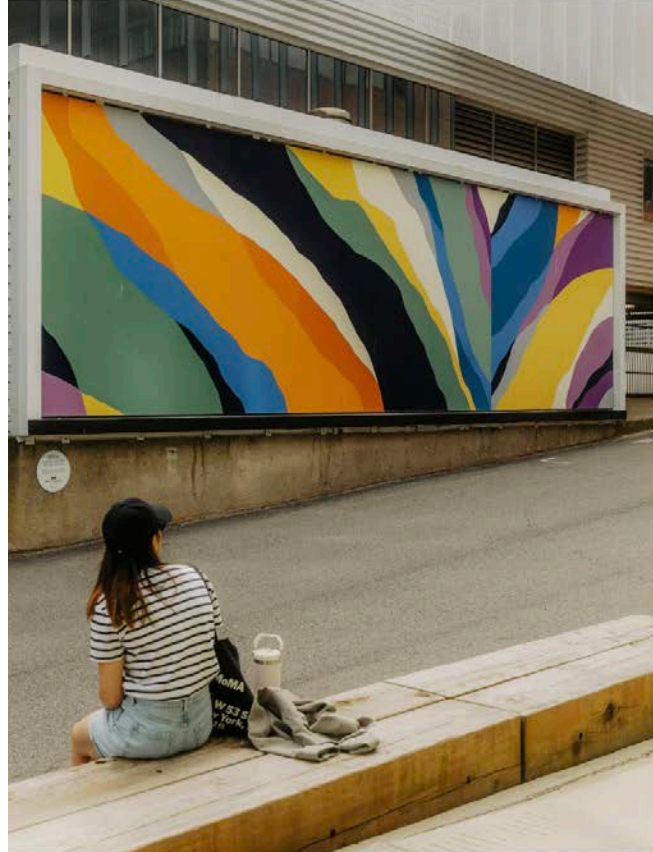


Stroll through the cobblestone streets of Gastown, Vancouver's oldest neighborhood, and explore its trendy mix of boutiques, cafés, galleries and vintage shops.

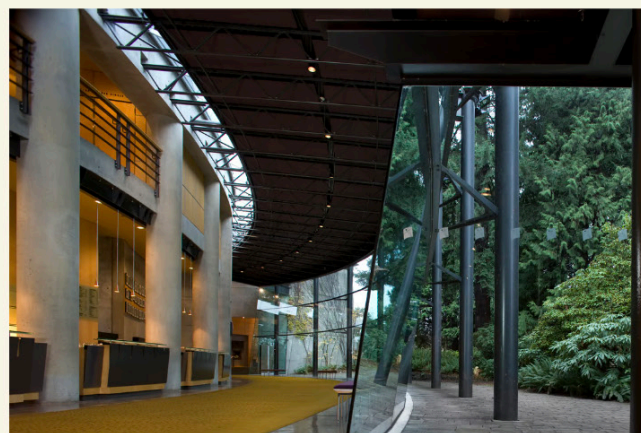


Walk 10 minutes west to The Botanist restaurant and order an innovative cocktail like the Beekeeper, which features bourbon, honey, lemon, candy cap and chartreuse mushrooms. Accompany it with sustainably sourced dishes that include octopus with shishito peppers or burrata with rhubarb.

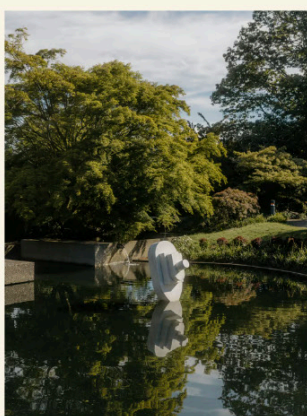




Spot the six cheerful giants standing at Granville Island made from repurposed silo towers and created by Brazilian artists OSGEMEOS. Other examples of vibrant urban art are scattered throughout Vancouver's neighborhoods, including Gastown, Strathcona and Railtown, where regularly changing colorful murals have inspired a collection of self-guided art-spotting walking tours.

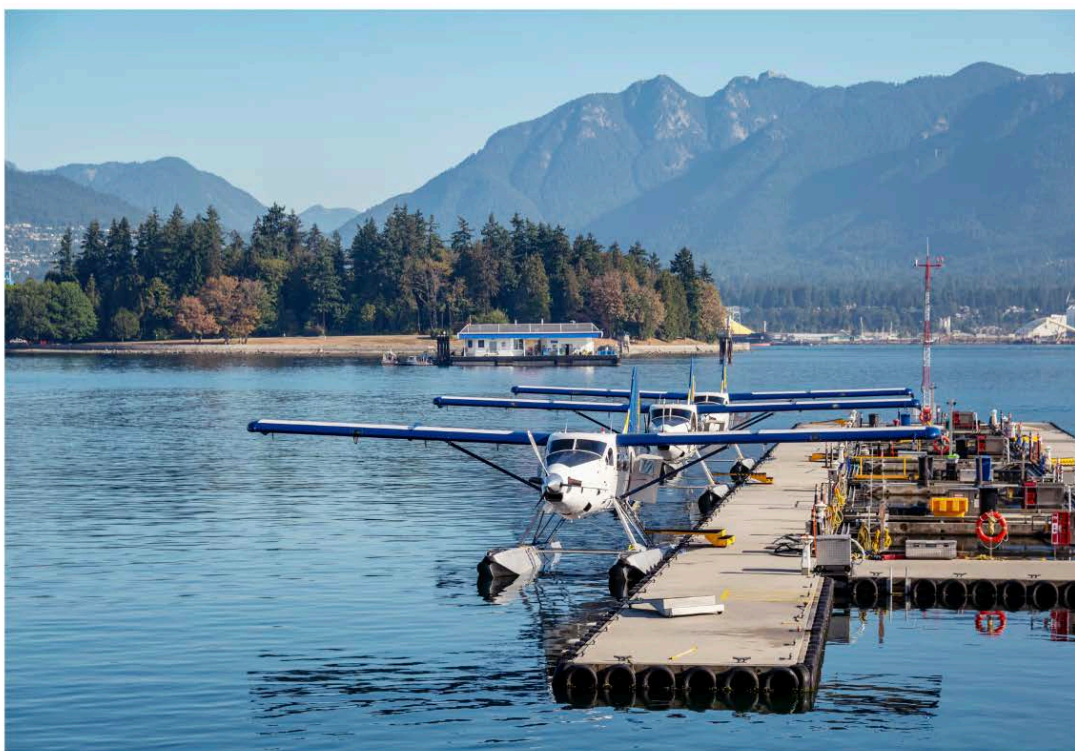
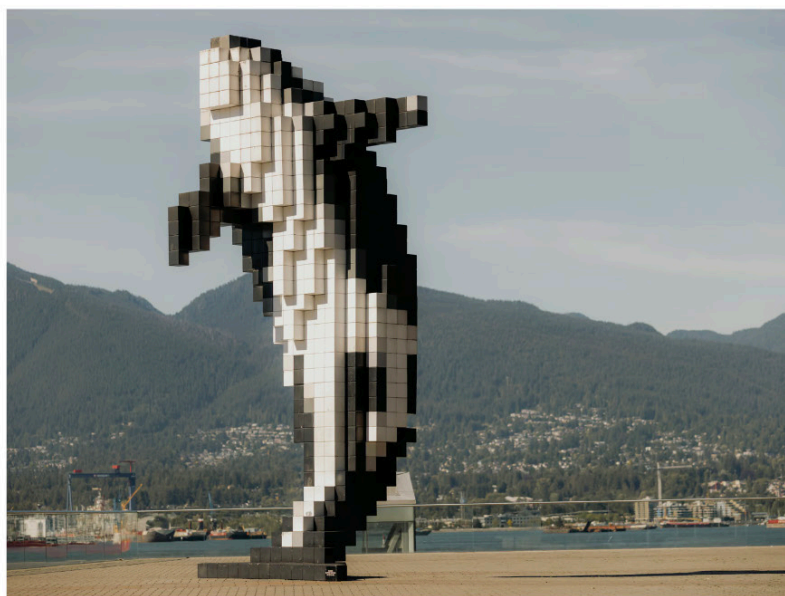


Experience world-class performances at the picturesque Chan Centre for the Performing Arts on the campus of the University of British Columbia. From classical concerts to contemporary dance productions, this venue showcases a rich array of talent in a stunning architectural setting.





Cruise coastal waters teeming with marine life like orcas, humpback whales and other sea creatures on a whale-watching tour from Vancouver's scenic waterfront. You can choose from a range of vessels including catamarans, zodiacs or semi-enclosed boats to enjoy Vancouver's skyline, mountains and coastline from a different perspective.



Soar above the cityscape to spot all the top sights like the Lions Gate Bridge, Stanley Park, English Bay and the North Shore Mountains from the air on a seaplane tour. Or venture further and travel to Victoria, Nanaimo or Whistler by seaplane.

This legendary Commodore Ballroom opened in 1930 and is renowned for its live music events and vibrant atmosphere. Modern acts to have performed here include Lady Gaga, Katy Perry, Roger Daltrey, Snoop Dogg and Franz Ferdinand, but it's also a buzzing spot to catch performances by local bands and up-and-coming artists.



Where to Stay



Embarc Vancouver

Experience luxury and comfort in condo-style Studio and 1-Bedroom Suites at [Embarc Vancouver](#), in the heart of the city's downtown district. The stylish building offers modern accommodations, upscale amenities and personalized service, making it the perfect home base for your Vancouver adventure.

Travel Tip

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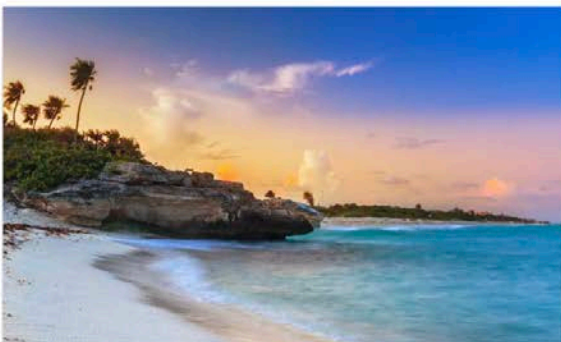


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Discover More in Myrtle Beach

This sought-after summer vacation destination is more than a beach town. From fantastic dining to dozens of annual events, discover all that Myrtle Beach has to offer.



Explore Natural Wonders in Oregon

Between Oregon's rugged coastline and High Desert lies even more to see. Explore the lowlands, plateaus and rocky mountains that create the state's spectacular beauty.

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SUNSHINE STYLE

Brighten up your summer vacation with these color-pop picks



Haruharu Wonder Black Bamboo Nourishing Calming Hand & Nail Cream
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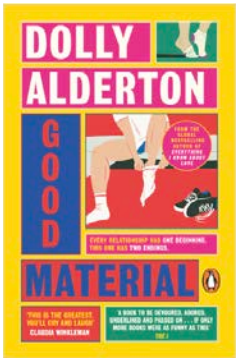
It's not just winter hands that need pampering. This deeply hydrating cream from clean beauty brand Haruharu Wonder contains bamboo leaf extract, fermented bamboo shoot extract and bamboo water to calm and hydrate skin from flight to poolside.



Sunnylife Beach Bats
\$28 / £29 / €30
Lightweight and lots of fun, this eye-catching bat and ball set will be a hit on the beach. The soft foam handles and vibrant colors make it just as good for kids as it is for game-hungry grown-ups, and it comes in a handy zipper case ready to sling over your shoulder.



Cadence The Flex Medium Capsule
\$22 / £17 / €20
These genius TSA-compliant containers are a carry-on game changer. Magnetic, modular and leakproof — you can whittle a multi-stage skincare routine into a chic honeycomb of capsules. They come in three sizes to stash everything from supplements to shampoo.



Good Material by Dolly Alderton
\$28 / £22 / €26
Described by The New York Times as “Like Nora Ephron, but with a British twist”, Dolly Alderton is an award-winning London-based dating columnist whose second novel is a laugh-out-loud but poignant tale of her trademark topics — friendship, love and heartbreak. The perfect absorbing beach read.



Flower Mountain Yamano 3 Man Suede and Technical Fabric Sneakers
\$237 / £186 / €206

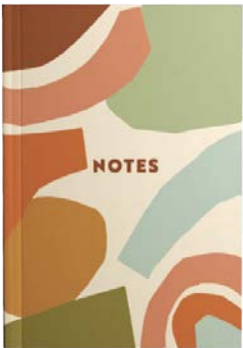
Colorful kicks from this Japanese sneaker brand are a cult buy. They are as much a fashion statement with their bold designs as they are a serious performance shoe, with lightweight rubber soles and outdoor tread to see you from a gentle coastal walk to a serious National Park hike.



Chipolo ONE
\$25 / £22 / €25
These little disks are lifesavers, allowing you to find keys and bags in seconds. Once attached, they connect your belongings to the Chipolo app, meaning you can send a signal to the chip, track where you last had it and be alerted if you leave without your item. Plus, you can simply double-click your Chipolo to find your phone.



Dock & Bay Quick Dry Towel
\$37 / £28 / €30
These super-absorbent towels dry three times faster than cotton and are brilliant for vacation packing, folding down into a pocket-sized bag. Made from recycled plastic bottles, this sunset-colored design looks good and does good.



Once Upon a Tuesday Notebook
\$15.47 / £14.50 / €14.33
Once Upon a Tuesday's pretty Les Fleurs notebook brings to mind the sun-splashed South of France with its Matisse-like abstract flower cover. With 128 lined pages, it's designed to lie flat and made with 100% recycled paper by this sustainable British brand.



Kit Kemp Lost & Found Bag
\$20 / £15 / €17.78

This throw-it-all-in cotton tote is the ideal beach bag, with plenty of space for towels, sunscreen, books and more. Made from a vibrant orange and white checkerboard fabric, it has contrasting orange, yellow and green striped ends, adding a zesty zing to any outfit.



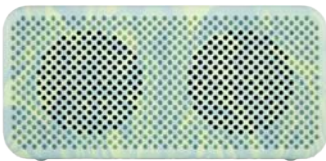
Kinto Day Off Tumbler
\$39.40 / £30.95 / €36.68

This vacuum-insulated, stainless steel tumbler is a dream for staying hydrated on hot days. The smart rounded handle is easy to carry, while its special lip design catches errant ice cubes to prevent spills while you drink. It comes in a range of sunny colors from sunset orange to a warm ochre yellow.



Yeti Hopper M20 Backpack Soft Cooler
\$325 / £325 / €360

Yeti's coolers are the go-to for campers, road trippers and lovers of the outdoors. Now you can pack your ice-cold drinks to go just about anywhere with this sunshine-bright backpack cooler, which can fit 36 cans or all your picnic supplies.



Gomi Marbled Speaker
\$330 / £299 / €380

With a case made entirely from recycled plastic, this Bluetooth speaker packs a punch with its marbled, bright design and immersive sound, powered by lithium cells recycled from e-bikes. It's splash-resistant, so it's perfect for the beach or by the pool, plus Gomi will repair your speaker for life, meaning it will never become plastic waste again.

Start planning your beach break with Hilton Grand Vacations today.



48 HOURS IN...

Las Vegas

Step into a world of dazzle and excitement with a weekend in Las Vegas

Words: Alexandra Owens Illustrations: Michael Driver

From exotic cars and helicopter tours to luxury casinos and secret bars, discover the best of Las Vegas during this extravagant two-day itinerary



Day One 10 A.M.

Kick your trip off with an electrifying morning at the [Las Vegas Motor Speedway](#), where thrill seekers can get their blood pumping during a five-star [driving experience](#) on a real race track. Choose from the largest and fastest selection of exotic supercars in the world, such as Ferraris, Lamborghinis and Porsches.



1 P.M.

In recent years, Las Vegas has developed a reputation as a major sports destination. See why when you cheer for the NHL's [Vegas Golden Knights](#) on their home ice at the [T-Mobile Arena](#). Before or after you catch the game, head down to [The Park](#), an outdoor entertainment and dining district, to grab a quick bite from [Luke's Lobster](#).



7:30 P.M.

The Las Vegas Strip turns into a dazzling neon spectacle at night. Enjoy the best seats in the house during a mesmerizing 15-minute flight with [Maverick Helicopters](#) soaring above the city's most iconic landmarks, including the Luxor pyramid, Bellagio fountains, historic downtown, High Roller, STRAT Tower and more.



8:30 P.M.

Hit the town and indulge in a glamorous dinner at [DJT Restaurant and Bar](#) located inside the Trump International Hotel Las Vegas. Start with a handcrafted cocktail or rare bottle from the wine list before digging into the modern American cuisine, featuring dishes like steak frites with peppercorn sauce and pan-seared Atlantic salmon.

11 P.M.

Wrap up your first day at [The Barbershop](#), a decadent prohibition-themed bar with a secret. Get a sharp new look from a professional barber up front before slipping behind an unassuming janitor's door. There, you'll discover one of the city's most popular party scenes with an extensive whiskey selection and live entertainment.



Day Two 9 A.M.

Fuel up with a hearty breakfast at [Peppermill Restaurant and Lounge](#), a Las Vegas institution known for its mirrored dining room, world-class people-watching and enormous portions. Don't miss the bistro-style corned beef hash topped with three basted eggs and coated in a rich bacon jam. If you're in the mood for something a little lighter, try the crab cake Benedict smothered with Old Bay hollandaise.



11:30 A.M.

Since opening in 2023, the [Sphere](#) — a one-of-a-kind entertainment venue that showcases a fully programmable LED exterior — has been the talk of the town and leaves an indelible mark on the Las Vegas skyline. Inside, the [Sphere Experience](#) is just as impressive. Check out holographic art exhibits and chat with interactive robots in the atrium before sitting down for Darren Aronofsky's multi-sensory film "Postcard From Earth" on the world's largest high-definition screen.



3 P.M.

Try your luck at the [Wynn Las Vegas casino](#). With a wide variety of table games and slots, poolside craps and blackjack, a state-of-the-art sportsbook, high-limit salons and Las Vegas's preeminent poker room spread out over 110,000 square feet of gaming space, it's one of the most luxurious and contemporary casino floors in the city.

6 P.M.

Treat yourself to one of the most over-the-top restaurants in Las Vegas: [Bazaar Meat by José Andrés](#). Far beyond your standard steakhouse, dish highlights include cotton candy foie gras, caviar flights, Maine lobster thermidor and an imaginative menu of Spanish tapas. Cuts of Wagyu and Kobe beef can be grilled tableside on a traditional ishiyaki stone or served as a Philly cheesesteak with cheddar on bread.





Celebrate the end of an unforgettable weekend with an HGV Live! Performance. [HGV Ultimate Access](#) is exclusively available to Hilton Grand Vacations Members and Guests. This incredible perk lets you rock out with your favorite musical artists, such as Boyz II Men, Carly Pearce and LeeAnn Rimes, during intimate, live shows.

Where to Stay

[Flamingo](#), a [Hilton Grand Vacations Club](#) is just minutes from the Strip and offers elevated amenities like a heated pool, a state-of-the-art fitness center, concierge service, outdoor gas grill and patio dining. Or, for relaxation away from all the noise, stay at [Polo Towers](#), a [Hilton Vacation Club](#). Located just steps from the Strip, the resort feature spacious Studios and 1- and 2-Bedroom Suites and Villas with thoughtful in-room amenities like private balconies, walk-in showers and well-appointed full and partial kitchens so you can feel right at home.



Polo Towers, a Hilton Vacation Club offers a stunning pool with panoramic views of the glittering Strip skyline

Club Program Resort Availability

	HGVClub	HGVClub With HGV Max	The Club	The Club With HGV Max	Extraordinary Escapes	Extraordinary Escapes With HGV Max
Flamingo, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club	✓	✓		✓		✓
Polo Towers, a Hilton Vacation Club		✓	✓	✓		✓



Swap Summer Fun for Fall Adventure

Embrace the season's change as you explore these havens of natural beauty, each offering its unique charm and adventure

As the vibrant hues of summer fade into the golden glow of fall, now is a great time to think about an end-of-year escape. Whether you envision chasing Mother Nature in the mountains or snuggling fireside beneath snow-capped peaks, your Hilton Grand Vacations ownership and RCI membership unlock a world of travel options.



Wine and Dine in Texas Hill Country

A romp through the Texas Hill Country landscape transforms into a kaleidoscope of colors during fall. Immerse yourself in the local culture by attending festivals with live music, local cuisine and traditional crafts. Stroll among the antique stores in the charming town of Fredericksburg or go for a tasting at the Heath Wine Estate, where a tram whisks guests through working vineyards and to a barrel room for sipping a wine flight.

Soaring Music and Majesty in the Smoky Mountains

Any great road trip through the Smokies begins in Gatlinburg, Tennessee — the charming gateway to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Kick off your adventure on a day hike to Clingmans Dome, the highest point in the state at 6,643 feet (2,024m). Then, take a scenic drive through Cades Cove, a foliage-filled valley where you can spot mourning doves, Eastern meadowlarks, deer and elk. Of course, nothing says Tennessee like Dolly Parton, which makes a trip to her famous Dollywood theme park in Pigeon Forge a roller coaster-riding, string-plucking must-do. From the folksy entertainment to the thrill rides, it's the perfect place to explore Appalachian culture, including glassblowing and blacksmithing demonstrations by master craftspeople.



Fall in Love With Virginia at Shenandoah Valley

Nestled between the Blue Ridge Mountains and the Allegheny Mountains, Virginia's scenic Shenandoah Valley is known for its stunning natural beauty, rich history and charming towns. Explore Luray Caverns and marvel at the breathtaking stalactites or take a hike along a portion of the Appalachian Trail. In the historic town of Lexington, grab lunch at a quaint restaurant like The Red Hen (the town's first farm-to-table restaurant) and then check out the art galleries, jewelers, bookstores, boutiques and antique shops that dot the area.

RCI Program Availability

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Book a Bucket-List Alaska Cruise

Use your points to save on amazing experiences at sea

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Alaska is one of the world's most popular cruise destinations, offering gold rush towns, majestic glaciers and unique wildlife in comfort. Planning ahead is key for an Alaska cruise, as early bookers secure the best deals. Fortunately, there are still many early bird specials for 2025, and you can book using points, cash or a combination of both. Plus, you can combine your points with cruise line offers!



Why Cruise Alaska?

Alaska is best experienced by sea. Its most jaw-dropping attractions, like Glacier Bay National Park, are difficult to reach by land, plus, you'll witness ever-changing scenery and spectacular wildlife like bears, moose, eagles and whales. You can sail from a variety of major departure ports, including Seattle, San Francisco and Vancouver with the benefit of unpacking once and visiting all the top attractions in a single trip.

When Is the Best Time to Visit?

Summer is the ideal time to cruise Alaska due to warm weather and active wildlife. However, this creates one of the shortest cruise seasons, typically from May to August. Coupled with high demand and limited cabin availability, Alaska cruises are among the first to sell out. The shoulder seasons of May and September offer less sailing availability, but lower cruise fares and fewer crowds.

Popular Cruise Lines

All major cruise lines, including ultra-luxury and niche expedition lines, sail to Alaska. Which cruise line is right for you depends on what you want to see and how you want to experience it. Our overall picks are Holland America Line and Princess Cruises. These two cruise lines have been sailing Alaska the longest and offer a deep knowledge of the region. Enjoy exclusive Glacier Bay access, park rangers and local talent onboard and fresh regional cuisine.

Alaska Shore Excursions

To get the most out of your Alaska cruise, you'll want to book a shore excursion. Our top tours include dogsledding, a Yukon railway ride, whale watching and a glacier helicopter tour. **Pro Tip:** Wildlife excursions sell out first! The demand for wildlife excursions increases every year, but the number of available tours remains the same. So book early to secure your spot!

Land Tour Add-Ons

Looking to plan the ultimate Alaska adventure? Book a cruise tour that combines a 7-Night glacier cruise with a pre- or post-cruise land tour of Alaska's interior. Enjoy inclusive lodging near major national parks including Denali, plus tours and transfers.

Ready to start planning your Alaska 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.

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