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The Economist Group is an Independent contractor As we introduce the second issue of Club Traveler magazine in 2025, we're embracing the spirit of discovery that defines today's travel landscape. More than ever, travelers are seeking experiences that go beyond the ordinary to connect them with culture, nature and personal passions.

To help you uncover these hidden gems, we recently launched Local Picks, a new video series where our teams explore standout dining, entertainment and coffee spots in top destinations. It's a fun, insider's look at places worth adding to your to-do list — starting with our favorite finds in Orlando. Visit your Member website to watch the first video and check back soon for our next stop in Sedona, Arizona. This kind of immersive travel reflects a broader shift in how people are choosing to explore the world.

According to the Mastercard Economic Institute's "Travel Trends 2025: Purpose Driven Journeys" report, travel and tourism rank among the top three priorities for consumers this year. People are investing in meaningful moments and, at Hilton Grand Vacations, we're proud to support this shift by expanding access to unforgettable destinations and curated experiences.

One event that perfectly captures this energy is the FORMULA I HEINEKEN LAS VEGAS GRAND PRIX® in November — an electrifying celebration of speed, style and spectacle that reflects the excitement we strive to bring to every vacation. If you're planning to attend, don't miss The Wander List: The Ultimate Ride Over the Grand Canyon, a first-hand account of soaring high above (and landing in) one of the world's most iconic natural wonders — just a short flight from Las Vegas.

This issue is filled with destinations and ideas designed to inspire your next getaway with HGV. Whether you're chasing culinary delights (my favorite!), scenic escapes or championship-level leisure, you'll find plenty to inspire your next unforgettable trip.

Food for Thought

Food lovers are in for a treat. Our cover story, <u>Gastro Getaways</u>, takes you on a flavorful exploration of iconic culinary destinations like Charleston, Maui, New York City, Paris and San Antonio — where the meals are just as memorable as the views.

You'll also find A Perfect Bite, a curated list of three Michelin-recommended restaurants that deliver exceptional flavors without breaking your budget. And for those who like to enjoy food wherever they go, The Carry-On offers foodie-inspired travel essentials for any trip.

Scenery Worth Traveling For

Nature and culture come together in <u>One Region, Five Ways: New England</u>, where we explore the region's seasonal beauty through five unique lenses. For a more relaxed pace, <u>Postcard From Menorca</u> offers a visual escape to a Mediterranean gem known for its beaches and charm.

Time Well Spent

Craving a quick getaway? Our <u>48 Hours in New Orleans</u> itinerary delivers the ultimate weekend in the Big Easy, packed with music, culture and flavor — perfect for travelers short on time but big on adventure.

You can also turn your next trip into a standout experience with <u>Dates for Your Diary</u>, where we spotlight the year's most exciting events, from festivals to seasonal happenings, so you can align your travel with experiences that elevate your vacation.

I hope this issue inspires you to dream big, wherever your travels take you next.

Happy journeys ahead,

Derek De Salvia

Executive Vice President & Chief Customer Officer

Hilton Grand Vacations

TRAVEL LIKE A

GOLFER

Get in the swing for your next golfing trip by following these expert tips

Images: Unsplash

From accessing private clubs to finding affordable rates, figuring out the best ways to play golf in a new destination can be tricky. Alex Myers, senior writer at Golf Digest in the U.S., and Alison Root, women's editor of Golf Monthly in the UK, give us the lowdown.



Golf Monthly editor Alison Root



ASK ABOUT REPLAY RATES. MANY COURSES ALLOW A SAME-DAY SECOND ROUND FOR A FRACTION OF THE COST

Alex Myers



PACK THE RIGHT KIT

"All golfers should invest in a quality travel bag," says Alex. "Those with a hard case are the sturdiest. If you have a soft case, it's worth buying a support rod with a cap to provide extra protection."

While essentials like tees, balls and gloves are usually available to buy at golf clubs, Alison recommends bringing your own golf shoes — as well as the Sun Mountain Club Glider travel bag cover. "It's a gamechanger because it has legs that easily pull out and you can glide it through the airport."



PLAN AHEAD

Research in advance. "Golf is booming and tee times, especially in peak seasons, book up fast," says Alex. "In the U.S., private clubs are exactly that, making them hard to access. Try emailing the head pro at a club you'd like to play at — offering to pay a guest fee and playing with a member will improve your chances."

Alison adds: "Consider the golf courses in the area and their proximity to your accommodation.

No one wants to drive for miles each day, which is why resorts with onsite golf are so popular."



BE COST SAVVY

Unlimited play at resort courses aside, Alex believes that the best way to get good value is to ask about replay rates. "Many courses allow a same-day second round for a fraction of the cost."

Tourist boards, says Alison, are often a great resource. "For example, the French tourist board has two golf passes — the Golf Collection and Golf-Pass en Côte d'Opale — which enable golfers to play multiple courses at a lower rate. Italy's Golf & More card offers discounts on green fees in over 110 clubs."

Where to Stay

The family-friendly <u>Ocean 22, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club</u> on South Carolina's Myrtle Beach has pools, beach access and more than 90 golf courses to choose from on the Grand Strand. On Hawaii island, <u>Kings' Land, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club</u> is linked to a trio of nine-hole golf courses surrounding the resort and has a complex of pools and slides for those who don't make it to the greens.



Ocean 22, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club is right on the beach and has more than 90 golf courses nearby

Dates for Your Diary

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

SEPTEMBER

SEPTEMBER 21–27, 2025



KAUA'I MOKIHANA FESTIVAL

When

September 21-27, 2025

Where

Kaua'i, Hawaii

Why G.

In 1984, three Hawaiian musicians — James 'Ekolu Pānui, Larry Keli'i Duhaylongsod and Nathan Liberato Kahikolu Kahape'a Kalama, otherwise known as Mālie — started the Kaua'i Composers' Contest and Concert with about 50 people in the audience. Today, their legacy lives on in this immersive week-long celebration of Hawaiian culture, with workshops, hula competitions, craft fairs and, of course, the composers' contest and concert.



Where T. Stay Pono Kai Resort

SEPTEMBER 26–28, 2025



NEPTUNE FESTIVAL BOARDWALK WEEKEND

When

Where

September 26-28, 2025

Virginia Beach, Virginia

Why G

Labor Day isn't the end of summer in buzzy Virginia Beach. Over the last weekend in September, the longest pleasure beach in the world transforms into 33 blocks of oceanfront fun. Check out sand sculpting championships, concerts on the boardwalk and beach volleyball tournaments. Or watch pros compete in the Surfing Classic while boats tack and jibe in the Atlantic Regatta.



Where T. Stay

Oceanaire, a Hilton Vacation Club

AUGUST 29-NOVEMBER 2, 2025



HALLOWEEN HORROR NIGHTS AT UNIVERSAL STUDIOS FLORIDA

When

Where

August 29-November 2, 2025

Orlando, Florida

Why G.

The scares start early at Universal Studios with its cult-favorite Halloween Horror Nights kicking off in late summer. The spine-shivering special event has a host of next-level haunted houses inspired by horror movies. Beyond their creepy doors, get more screams on the park's adrenaline-pumping rides or take a bite out of trick-themed food, which last year included poison apples and twisted taters.



Where To Stay

Las Palmeras, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club and Grand Beach, a Hilton Vacation Club (pictured)

OCTOBER 4, 2025



CELEBRATE NASHVILLE CULTURAL FESTIVAL

When

October 4, 2025

Where

Nashville, Tennessee

Why Gr

This wide-ranging gathering at Centennial Park celebrates the more than 50 cultures that live in Nashville with music, dance, food, crafts and more. Last year it featured Irish step dancers, Laos classical dancers and Kurdish filsoofi music. After enjoying the performances, stock up at the World Bazaar or savor international delights like Vietnamese banh mi, Peruvian ceviche and Keralan dosas.



Where To Stay

Bluegreen Downtown Nashville

NOVEMBER

NOVEMBER 11–25, 2025



FESTIVAL DE LA GASTRONOMIE DE SAINT-MARTIN

When

November 11-25, 2025

Where

Sint Maarten

Why G.

On the French side of the island of Sint Maarten, this mouthwatering festival is a feast of cooking workshops, special dinners, tasting events and barbecue competitions. For 2025, the spotlight is on passion fruit, which grows all over the island in zingy yellow, purple, red and green varieties. Expect to see this versatile fruit in many creative and delicious dishes.



Where To Stay

Flamingo Beach, a Hilton Vacation Club

NOVEMBER 27, 2025



MACY'S THANKSGIVING DAY PARADE

When

November 27, 2025

Where

New York City, New York

Why Gr

Manhattan comes to a standstill for Macy's iconic annual parade, an extravaganza featuring giant balloons, amazing floats, cheerleaders and marching bands. The action starts at West 77th Street and Central Park West, winding down to Sixth Avenue and Macy's Herald Square. The parade kicks off at 8.30 a.m. — arrive early to get a prime spot before settling down for your Thanksgiving feast.



Where To Stay
The Manhattan Club

DECEMBER

● DECEMBER 1-25, 2025



ADVENT IN SCHLADMING-DACHSTEIN

When

December 1-25, 2025

Where

Schladming-Dachstein, Austria

Why G.

The Alpine Schladming-Dachstein ski region — renowned for its 142 miles of impeccably groomed pistes — becomes even more enchanting in December. During Advent, its charming villages come alive with festive log-cabin markets, angelic choir performances, horse-drawn sleigh rides, living nativity scenes and lantern-lit hikes that conclude with a comforting cup of warm mulled wine.



Where T-Stay

Alpine Club

DECEMBER 31, 2025



NEW YEAR'S EVE IN LAS VEGAS

When

Where

December 31, 2025

Las Vegas, Nevada

Why Gr

Count down to 2026 at the biggest celebration in the world's ultimate party city. On New Year's Eve, the entire Strip is closed to traffic, turning it into one giant block party for some 300,000 revellers. At the stroke of midnight, thousands of fireworks light up the sky from casino rooftops, choreographed to music, so you can watch from the street or your resort terrace.



Where To Stay

Elara, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club and Cancun Las Vegas, a Hilton Vacation Club (pictured)

Member Resort Availability

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Alpine Club				V	V	V		V
Bluegreen Downtown Nashville	V	V						
Cancun Las Vegas, a Hilton Vacation Club				V	V	V		V
Elara, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club		V	V	V		V		V
Flamingo Beach, a Hilton Vacation Club				V	V	V		V
Grand Beach, a Hilton Vacation Club				V	V	V		V
Las Palmeras, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club			V	V		V		V
Oceanaire, a Hilton Vacation Club				V	V	V		V
Pono Kai Resort	V	V						
The Manhattan Club	V	V						



Destination Xchange offers more destinations for inspiring adventures alongside familiar home comforts. Reserve your stay today and transform your desire to travel into a life full of stories.



Discover the Untamed Spirit of the Rocky Mountains

Breathe in the crisp mountain air, wander rugged trails and lose yourself in awe-inspiring vistas. Thrilling outdoor adventures and tranquil retreats provide endless opportunities to connect with nature's raw beauty. From blooming wildflowers in the summer to snow-draped peaks in the winter, the Rockies offer a year-round sanctuary waiting to be explored.



Awaken Your Senses in South Africa

Experience the vibrant rhythm of cities like Cape Town, the serenity of sweeping savannas and the awe-inspiring majesty of untamed wilderness. Discover rich traditions, stunning landscapes and unforgettable experiences as you take in the region's endless wonders. From lively local markets to coastlines with star-filled night skies, South Africa will captivate you with its incredible diversity.



Unearth the Heart of the Mid-Atlantic

Walk through the story of America's beginnings, hike scenic trails or relax on tranquil coasts. The varied landscapes along the East Coast of the United States include bustling cities, picturesque waterways and the beauty of changing seasons. From the serene Chesapeake Bay to the energy of Philadelphia, this destination weaves together natural beauty, deep-rooted history and modern charm.



Embrace the Spirit of Southern California

Stroll around chic urban neighborhoods, surf along endless shores and discover breathtaking West Coast views.

Sophistication and laid-back vibes come together in this sun-soaked locale.

Whether you're chasing golden sunsets, savoring fresh coastal cuisine or wandering palm-lined streets, Southern California offers boundless adventure.

Destination Xchange Program Availability

Bluegreen Vacation Club	Bluegreen Vacation Club With HGV Max	HGVClub	HGVClub With HGV Max	The Club	The Club With HGV Max	Extraordinary Escapes	Extraordinary Escapes With HGV Max
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A Perfect Bite

Three affordable Michelin-recommended restaurants worth traveling for





Authentic Thai dishes and contemporary interiors make Song a Vancouver must-go



Song

317 East Broadway, Vancouver, BC V5T 1W5

Why Go

Opened by Terrence Feng at the end of 2021, this Bib Gourmand Thai restaurant is the younger sister to Vancouver's Kin Kao. The food is contemporary, as is the simple, light-filled interior designed by local practice Scott & Scott Architects, which combines sea-blue banquettes and golden panels of color on the walls and ceilings.

What to Order

The menu centers on staples like the tom yum hot and sour prawn soup served in a traditional hot pot vessel, beef shank and vegetable green curry and crab rice. Seasonal specials are added on rotation, with recent additions including deep-fried crispy taro rolls with sweet Thai chili tamarind sauce and the seafood red curry, a mix of stir-fried tiger prawns, scallops and squid.

Details

Happy hour is from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. daily, when selected wines, beer, cocktails and light bites (such as oysters, laab chicken wings and steak salad) are available.







Fruit cocktails are a refreshing accompaniment for traditional hot and sour prawn soup

In the heart of Downtown, Embarc Vancouver has condostyle Studios and 1-Bedroom Suites with city or mountain views. The indoor pool and hot tub are perfect for relaxing after a day of exploring.









Visit Restaurante Sorondongo for a vibrant dining experience, featuring ingredients from the city's market

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Restaurante Sorondongo

Armas Street 15, Las Palmas de Gran Canaria

Why Go

Native rising star chef-owner Richard Díaz Aguilar honed his skills at several Michelin-starred restaurants, including Alameda in Spain and La Aquarela on Gran Canaria, before opening his own Michelin-recommended space in the island's capital in 2023. The name, which comes from a typical Canarian folk dance, reflects the traditional flavors that underpin the creativity of his food.

What to Order

Choose between two tasting menus: the seven-course Santa Ana and the nine-course Vegueta. Standout a la carte options include creamy rice with sheep cheese from Fagajesto (in the north) and pork cheek with gofio cream and Listán Negro (black-skinned grape) salsa.

Details

The philosophy is to source locally where possible, so many of the ingredients, from the vegetables to fish and cheeses, come from the city's Vegueta Market. All the wines are Spanish, with a focus on those produced in the Canary Islands. The restaurant opens for lunch and dinner from Wednesday to Saturday.

Where to Stay

An hour's drive from Las
Palmas, on the southwest
coast, <u>Club Cala Blanca</u> offers
1- and 2-Bedroom Suites. The
resort features a heated
outdoor pool, fitness center,
restaurant and supermarket
on-site.



Bombay Street Kitchen

6215 S. Orange Blossom Trail, Orlando, FL 32809

Why Go

Growing up, chef Amit Kumar was inspired by his grandmother's simple, earthy style of cooking. Now he has three restaurants in Orlando: Aashirwad, Tamarind Indian Cuisine and Bib Gourmand Bombay Street Kitchen, which opened in 2021. Bombay Street Kitchen specializes in authentic street food influenced by dishes typically found in cities like Mumbai, Delhi, Chennai and Bangalore. The interiors blend industrial elements with pops of color: orange seating, turquoise feature walls and blue lighting under the wooden bar counter.

What to Order

The extensive menu offers everything from vegetable samosas and pani puri to chicken tikka and vegetarian curries. Bestsellers include chole bhature from the north, a deep-fried, puffed-up bread served with chana masala (chickpea curry) and onions; and gunpowder ghee dosa (crepes layered with a spice mix), from the south.

Details

Save room for the signature desserts: Bombay falooda (ice cream with rose syrup, vermicelli and basil seeds) and the Colaba beach mix gola (mango, orange and coconut shaved ice).







Try chole bhature puff bread and a range of tasty Indian curries at Bombay Street Kitchen in Orlando

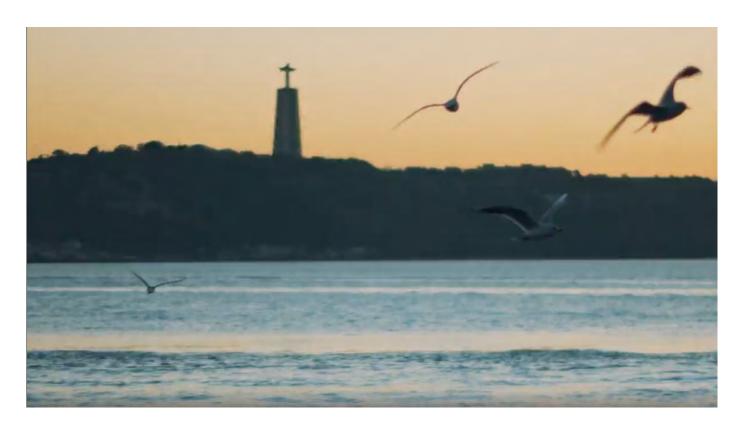
Where to Stay

Set on 54 acres surrounding Lake Eve, yet close to the city's theme parks, The Fountains is ideal for families. It features its own water park, Bluegreen Wakoola Springs, a games arcade, a pair of restaurants and a spa.



Member Resort Availability

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Club Cala Blanca				V	V	V		V
Embarc Vancouver				V		V	V	V
The Fountains	V	V		V		V		V



One Region, Five Ways:

New England

Words: Emily Mathieson

New England has perfected the art of seasonal transition — and beyond the spectacular color show, visitors can discover a wealth of art, culture and outdoor adventures

As long summer days fade into crisp fall weather, New England's six states — Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont — undergo a metamorphosis that is famous worldwide. But the region's legendary fall foliage isn't the only reason to visit this time of the year. There are delights aplenty beyond the vibrant leaves, too.



The Hood Museum of Art's eye-catching new space in Hanover is an inspirational space to discover American art

Image by Rob Strong, courtesy of the Hood Museum of Art, Dartmouth

For Art and Architecture

New England's cultural richness rivals its natural beauty. At Dartmouth College in Hanover, New Hampshire, the Hood Museum of Art houses an extraordinary collection spanning Native American objects to contemporary works by acclaimed U.S. artists like Alison Saar. Recently renovated by Tod Williams and Billie Tsien Architects, the striking postmodern space balances academic tradition with modern design sensibilities.

Just across campus, the Hopkins Center for the Arts — affectionately called "the Hop" by locals — is undergoing a transformation with a Snøhetta-designed expansion scheduled for completion in 2025. Until then, it hosts world-class performances against the backdrop of Dartmouth's storied green.

Architecture enthusiasts shouldn't miss Frank Lloyd Wright's Zimmerman House in Manchester, New Hampshire — a perfectly preserved example of his Usonian vision. As the only Wright-designed building in New England open to the public, it offers intimate, reservation-only tours that must be booked well in advance through the Currier Museum of Art — a must for design devotees.



Take a road trip with a jaw-dropping backdrop on the Kancamagus Highway Image by Getty Images

For Dramatic Landscapes

The White Mountains of New Hampshire provide the region's most awe-inspiring scenery. The Kancamagus Highway — "the Kanc" to locals — winds for 34.5 miles through the heart of the White Mountain National Forest, offering spectacular vistas that reach peak brilliance in early October. Scenic pull-offs like the C.L. Graham Overlook or Pemigewasset Overlook offer panoramic views so vivid that they seem almost artificially enhanced by nature's filters.

In Vermont, the Green Mountains offer a more intimate forest experience. The Long Trail, America's oldest long-distance hiking path, stretches from Massachusetts to the Canadian border, tracing the spine of Vermont. Day hikers can sample sections like Camel's Hump or Mount Mansfield without committing to the full 272-mile journey.

Maine's Baxter State Park encompasses 209,644 acres of wilderness, including Mount Katahdin, the northern terminus of the Appalachian Trail. September offers the perfect window — summer crowds have thinned, black flies have disappeared and the foliage begins its fiery transformation, setting the landscape ablaze with color.



Hop aboard vintage boats at the Maine Maritime Museum which brings history to life Image by Shutterstock

For a Peek at History

New England's industrial heritage comes alive in Lowell, Massachusetts, where America's Industrial Revolution began. The Lowell National Historical Park preserves the city's textile mill history with working looms and waterpower demonstrations. In late September, Lowell celebrates native son Jack Kerouac's literary legacy with walking tours through his childhood haunts.

Maine's seafaring past comes alive in Bath, where the working waterfront still echoes with the sounds of shipbuilding. At the Maine Maritime Museum, visitors can climb aboard historic vessels and witness traditional wooden boat-building techniques that are still practiced today.

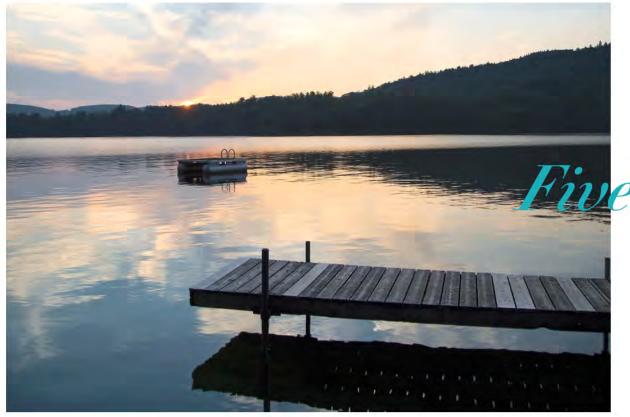


The craft beer scene in New England provides opportunities to try all sorts of unusual brews

For Craft Produce

New England's craft beverage scene extends beyond Vermont's famous IPAs and Maine's Portland beer mecca. New Hampshire's Hermit Woods Winery in Meredith makes unique fruit and honey wines using traditional techniques and locally foraged ingredients. Its signature Hermitage — made from hand-picked wild blueberries — captures the essence of New England in every sip.

For beer enthusiasts, Connecticut's rural corners house gems like Kent Falls Brewing Co., where farmhouse ales are produced on a working farm. With ingredients grown on-site and a tasting room open only on weekends, it offers a rustic, insider experience far from the more established beer trails.



At Squam Lake, you can swim, kayak or simply enjoy the restorative, peaceful setting Image by Getty Images

For Outdoor Activities

The region's 6,000-plus lakes and ponds offer tranquil fall reflections of the surrounding foliage. Lake Winnipesaukee may be New Hampshire's crown jewel, but nearby Squam Lake (famously featured in "On Golden Pond") provides a quieter escape, with rentable kayaks available well into October.

For an adrenaline rush against a colorful backdrop, Bretton Woods Canopy Tour near Mount Washington offers New England's longest zip-line experience. Soar through the treetops on nine zip lines that grow progressively longer, guiding visitors on a thrilling three-hour journey above the forest canopy.

Vermont's Kingdom Trails in East Burke offer a mountain-biking nirvana with over 100 miles of world-class singletrack. Open through October, the trail system provides ideal riding conditions as summer crowds diminish and the landscape transforms.

Where to Stay

Nestled in New Hampshire's White Mountains, <u>South Mountain Resort</u> has panoramic views and family-friendly amenities. Guests can choose from cozy Studios to expansive 3-Bedroom Suites, and enjoy both indoor and outdoor pools, a fitness room and easy access to hiking, skiing and the breathtaking Kancamagus Byway.



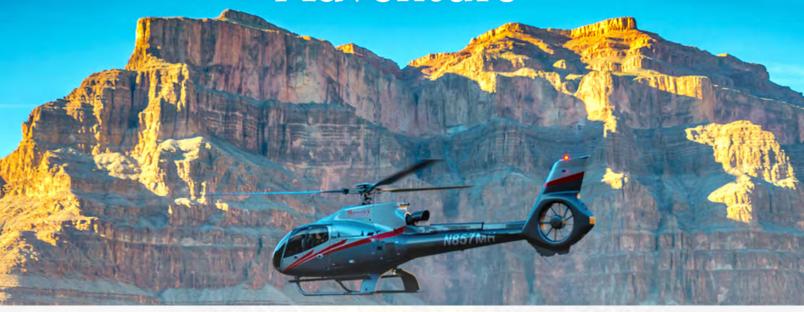
After enjoying the views in New Hampshire's White Mountains, take time out to hit the pool at **South Mountain Resort**

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South Mountain Resort	V	V						

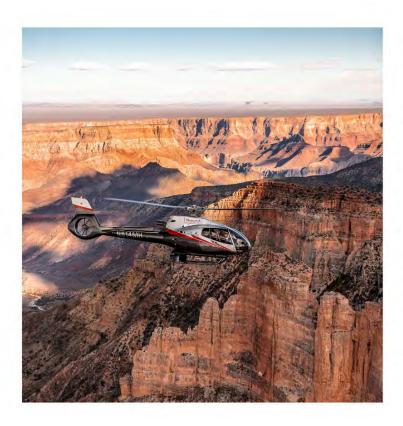
The Wander List

An Epic Grand Canyon Adventure



The grandest way to see the Grand Canyon is from the sky, on a helicopter day trip from Las Vegas

Words: Jonathan Thompson



On paper, Las Vegas and the Grand Canyon have very little in common. One is a shiny, modern city built over a few decades; the other, a huge, ancient chasm carved into the Earth by nature over millions of years. Las Vegas is bright, loud and electric. The Grand Canyon is deep, silent and serene. But they share two key traits: both are iconic bucket-list destinations, and both are easily experienced in a single day. That is, if you have access to a helicopter.

I was considering this sentiment after an enjoyable day of eating and sightseeing around Las Vegas, when the limousine arrived to collect me from my hotel. Maverick Helicopters has been operating its Grand Canyon trips from Sin City for 30 years, and they have the operation honed to a fine art. From hotel pickup to drop-off, the entire adventure takes just four hours.

After a quick safety briefing at the heliport (which is conveniently located next to the main airport), we're swiftly airborne in our five-seater chopper. Hanging over Las Vegas, the afternoon sun glints off the Strip's sleek towers before the pilot turns west and races out across the Mojave Desert.

Around five million people visit the Grand Canyon every year — but few do it with as much style or efficiency. Within minutes of take-off, we're hovering over the splendor of the Hoover Dam and magnificent Lake Mead. Then we're out into the deep desert where Nevada meets Arizona in a dusty embrace, flying low with our shadow racing us across the scrub.

When we reach the Grand Canyon, it catches me completely by surprise. One second our shadow is there, and the next it's gone as the ground suddenly opens up into vast nothingness and we find ourselves flying insect-like into one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World.

Arguably the most spectacular gorge on Earth, the Grand Canyon is more than 277 miles long, 18 miles wide and an entire mile deep. Everything about it is mind-blowing — from the exposed layers and vivid colors in its steep canyon walls to the mighty Colorado River flowing across its bottom.



We fly through this spectacular chasm for over 10 miles, wowed by the geological marvel around us and listening open-mouthed as Chris, our pilot, explains how it was slowly formed by the Colorado River over 6 million years. The Grand Canyon is so vast, he says, that it even creates its own weather, thanks to the sudden changes in elevation and their impact on temperature and precipitation.



As if to prove his point, Chris swoops the chopper down into the cooler depths, descending 3,500 feet below the rim to land on the canyon floor. Here, on a bluff overlooking the river, we're served Champagne and canapes as we gaze up at the colossal crevasse we've just flown through and the sliver of blue sky above it. We learn about the Hualapai Tribe, the traditional guardians of this land, who continue to administer Grand Canyon West today.

All too soon, it's time to rise out of the ravine to begin our 45-minute flight back. As we head west toward Sin City, "Viva Las Vegas" plays on full blast through our headsets, and Chris banks the helicopter dramatically to fly straight down the Strip before his final heliport approach. It's a grand, neon-drenched denouement to a truly showstopping afternoon. As Chris quips over the intercom, "Not everything that happens in Vegas needs to stay in Vegas — especially when the Grand Canyon is right next door."

Where to Stay

Perched north of the Strip, <u>The Boulevard, a</u>
<u>Hilton Grand Vacations Club</u> feels more like a
hideout than a traditional urban resort. Its laidback vibe, thanks to tasteful desert deco and an
elite spa, makes it great for relaxation. <u>Desert</u>
<u>Retreat, a Hilton Vacation Club</u> is also a good
choice for accommodation away from the bright
lights, or head for <u>Bluegreen Club 36™</u> if you
want to be at the heart of the action.



For a home away from home in central Las Vegas, try ${\bf Bluegreen~Club~36^{TM}}$

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Pack your appetite and curiosity to explore these five hotspots where food is one of the main attractions

Words: Elaine Glusac

Food is many things — sustenance, celebration and connection. For travelers, it also offers the ultimate path to authentic local culture. From gastro-famed Paris to locavore Maui and Southern Belle Charleston — these five destinations invite you to build your itineraries around the table and indulge in creative and distinctive regional dishes. Bon appétit!



CHARLESTON







Whether your tastes lean traditional or trendy, Charleston delivers. As the heart of Lowcountry cuisine — a coastal blend of seafood, rice and diverse cultural influences rooted in the city's historic port — this Southern treasure offers a rich, sensory experience at every turn.

"The food scene in Charleston is very diverse, with cultural influences from Italian to Gullah (enslaved Africans)," says Rodney Scott, the James Beard Awardwinning pitmaster and owner of Rodney Scott's Whole Hog BBQ.

For seafood with flair, line up for the 40-seat <u>Chubby Fish</u> and order a caviar sandwich, or head to the waterfront <u>Bowen's Island</u> for fresh oysters and Frogmore stew, a combination of sausage, shrimp, corn and potatoes. Brunch is an everyday affair here, not just a Sunday indulgence. At the iconic <u>Poogan's Porch</u>, dig into Lowcountry hash and to-die-for buttermilk biscuits.







Expert tip -

<u>Slightly North of Broad</u> — better known as S.N.O.B. — "has had local stone-ground grits with Carolina Creek shrimp on the menu for 30 years, something everyone should try when visiting our lovely city," says Chef Bob Waggoner, who teaches <u>cooking classes</u> in the city.



Charleston

Just steps from Charleston's historic quarter, <u>Liberty</u> <u>Place Charleston, a Hilton Club</u> offers a pedestrian-friendly location with refined comfort. After a day of discovering Lowcountry flavors, the Muddle Cocktail Bar shakes up a delicious case for staying in and toasting the day's delicious discoveries.











Home to more than 800 farms, Maui is at the center of Hawaii regional cuisine — a vibrant fusion where Indigenous meets immigrant cultures. The food here is "a true mixed plate of Hawaiian, Japanese, Chinese, Portuguese and even Mexican," says Peter Merriman, chef and owner of Merriman's and a pioneer in the farm-to-table movement. Thanks to rich volcanic soil and the surrounding Pacific Ocean, Maui's bounty is as diverse as it is delicious. You'll find it showcased everywhere, from upscale Oao sushi to mom-&-popstyle rice bowls at Tin Roof (above, bottom right), from "Top Chef" alum Sheldon Simeon. The sourdough pizzeria at Restaurant Marlow sources ingredients from greens to beef from nearby producers, and visitors can dine on the farm at Maui Bees, which raises honeybees and holds weekly seven-course dinners inspired by their gardens.





Expert tip.

At his restaurant, chef Merriman offers tableside poke — a raw fish salad made with line-caught 'ahi — "because us locals like our poke a little bit different." But for off-the-shelf sources of the area's signature dish, he recommends the 69-year-old grocer <u>Pukalani Superette</u>.



Maui

Wake up to sea views at <u>Hilton Vacation Club</u>
<u>Ka'anapali Beach</u>, where 1- and 2-Bedroom oceanfront
Suites offer a front-row seat to Maui's beauty. Guests
can swim laps in the outdoor pool, go snorkeling or
relax to the rhythm of the waves after eating their way
around the island.



NEW YORK





America's biggest and most cosmopolitan city, New York has given the world a lot to chew on, from street-corner hot dogs to cronuts. Classics endure, like Katz's Deli, serving up sandwiches since 1888, and the occasion-worthy Grand Central Oyster Bar. But innovative newcomers like the Peruvian izakaya Papa San (right) should also be on the menu. The city's Italian roots run deep, from touristy Little Italy — where Emilio's Ballato turns out superior pastas — to the boroughs (try Borgo in Brooklyn from hit-making restaurateur Andrew Tarlow). And then there's the pizza. By the slice or whole, pizza is in a category all its own. Lombardi's Coal Oven Pizza, established in 1905, claims the title of America's first pizzeria. At Lucali, you can watch dough maestro Mark lacono stretch your pie before it hits the oven.





Expert tip -

"One in five New Yorkers was born in another country," says Pauline Frommer, the author of Frommer's New York City 2025 guidebook. She recommends grazing the weekly open-air Queens Night Market for bites like Japanese oyster cakes and Jamaican curry goat.







New York City

Just south of Central Park, <u>West 57th Street</u>, a Hilton <u>Club</u> offers high-rise Studios and 1-Bedroom Suites and Penthouses with floor-to-ceiling windows framing heart-of-Manhattan views. The stylish retreat is ideal for unwinding after a day spent indulging in the city's legendary food scene.



PARIS









From café culture to fine dining and sweet patisserie treats, the City of Light delivers a full spectrum of gastronomic awe for every palate and budget. Build a trip around meals at Michelin-starred restaurants like the elegant Pierre Gagnaire and its avant-garde take on French cuisine, or procure taste-tingling picnic provisions at the lively Marché d'Aligre, one of the city's most beloved markets (and scene of the barricades of the 1789 revolution).

Paris also makes it easy to go to the source for classics. Make a stop at <u>Stohrer</u>, the city's oldest pastry shop, founded by King Louis XV's personal pastry chef, for its rum baba, which was invented here. When you've had your fill of baguettes, visit <u>Du Pain et des Idées</u> for its acclaimed rustic loaves called *pain des amis*, or bread of friends.

Expert tip -

Seek out the charming bistro <u>Dandelion</u>, says Adriana Garin, Paris manager at <u>Eating Europe</u> food tours. She praises its "playful, fresh produce pairings that burst with flavor. And their wine list? Let's just say it made me want to take it home and study it like a good book."







Paris

Live like a local at the <u>Royal Regency Paris Vincennes</u>, where pied-a-terre-style apartments — ranging from Studios to 3-Bedroom Suites — provide a home base just a short walk from the Metro. It's the perfect place to kick back after savoring Paris' culinary delights.



SAN ANTONIO



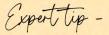


As one of only two UNESCO Creative Cities of Gastronomy in the United States, San Antonio's food scene boasts a rich culinary heritage shaped by centuries of cultural exchange. "You have to tour the Mission San Jose," says local restaurateur Diana Barrios Treviño, referring to the 18th-century Spanish colonial church, "because they tell you who brought what to the table — Native Americans, Spaniards, Germans and Mexican vaqueros" (or cowboys). Treviño runs the iconic Mexican Los Barrios, a must-try place for Monterrey-style cabrito. It also makes bang-up renditions of the city's staple puffy taco, subbing deepfried masa for tortillas, along with institutions like Ray's Drive Inn. Texas loves barbecue, of course, but in San Antonio, it gets a global accent at the Jamaican Jerk Shack and the Tex-Asian Curry Boys BBQ.









For one-stop grazing, Treviño recommends heading to the <u>Pearl District</u>, where a brewery campus from 1883 has been repurposed to house destination-worthy restaurants — including <u>Southerleigh Fine Food and Brewery</u> — and shops. It's an energetic mix of the city's past and present.



San Antonio

Tucked into the scenic Hill Country, <u>Eilan Hotel & Spa</u> offers a wealth of luxury resort amenities, including indoor and outdoor pools and a full-service spa. The Tuscan-inspired architecture provides the perfect backdrop for unwinding after a day of exploring the city's vibrant food scene.

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Eilan Hotel and Spa	V	V						
Hilton Vacation Club Ka'anapali Beach				V	V	V		V
Liberty Place Charleston, a Hilton Club		V	V	V		V		V
Royal Regency Paris Vincennes				V	V	V	V	V
West 57th Street, a Hilton Club			V	V		V		V



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Menorca



Mix sun-soaked beach days with cultural discoveries in our photo guide to the Mediterranean's most laid-back island

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The neighboring islands of Ibiza and Mallorca may be better known, but Menorca has a go-slow charm all its own. And while it may be small—just 30 miles long—it packs a lot in, from megalithic remains and harborside fortresses to a lively food scene and sandy coves perfect for summer dreaming.









The cobbled streets of Ciutadella all lead to the cathedral, whose history tells the story of the island. Built on the site of an early mosque and later destroyed by Turkish invaders, it now stands proud, with a vaulted roof resembling angel wings. In summer, listen to one of the organ concerts held here.

Beyond the cathedral, the island's former capital is home to an atmospheric jumble of Gothic and baroque architecture, where every corner tells a story. Don't miss the Victorian fish market, with its charming green and white tiles, for a taste of local life.









A short boat ride across Mahon Harbor brings you to the little island of Illa del Rei and one of the Mediterranean's most exciting art galleries, <u>Hauser & Wirth</u>. What was once a military hospital is now home to a vibrant collection of modern art — from Eduardo Chillida to Cindy Sherman — landscaped gardens and a cantina set amid the olive groves.



















With white sand and turquoise waters, Menorca's beaches could easily be mistaken for the Caribbean. Each has its loyal fans. Some walk from Mahón to Cala Mesquida (first photo), others prefer the quiet Cala En Vidrier, while families flock to the gentle, sloping shallows of Arenal d'en Castell.







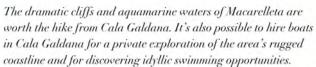




The charming capital of Mahón has plenty for keen shoppers. For fashion and lifestyle objects, head to <u>Cha Cha Cha</u> or visit the <u>Tabouret design shop</u> for stylish interior items.

Pause your exploring for a flaky sourdough croissant and locally roasted Mistral coffee at <u>Pigalle Mahon</u>. This family-run panadería (or bakery) sources ancient island grains and salt from the Fornels salt marshes and supplies bread to all the top restaurants on the island.















The 32-acre (13-hectare), family-run vineyard at <u>Binifadet</u> combines historical techniques and low-intervention farming to grow a range of native grape varieties. It is also home to a beautiful terrace restaurant serving island classics and straight-from-the-vines rosé.







Perched on the wild north-east tip of the island where slate cliffs tumble into the sea, the black-and-white-striped <u>lighthouse at Favaritr</u> was built in 1922 after a series of shipwrecks off the coast. Now it's a beacon for walkers keen to explore the rugged landscape and beachgoers in search of quiet, hidden coves.











Those in the know book lunch at <u>Smoix</u>, set in a former shoe factory, for modern Mediterranean dishes like its famous crawfish ravioli, which showcase the island's culinary creativity:



Menorca may not be Ibiza, but there's a little of the White Isle's boho party vibe at the laid-back Nonna Bazaar restaurant from hotelier Arnaud Zannier. This sprawling farm estate is set amid pines, oaks and grazing cows in the island's tranquil countryside. A children's play area makes this fun for all the family, while a DJ spins tunes amid the lemon groves.









An asado (or barbecue) is a place to gather around for Spanish-style fire cooking with foods seared to perfection on the grill. Moli des Comte Asador is set beneath one of the island's historic windmills in a stone-vaulted barn and has a menu where visitors can tuck into everything from prime cuts of beef and seared scallops to playful bites like popcorn chicken and even hot dogs. Save space for some very creamy desserts.







Take a night-time tour of the underground galleries of <u>San Felipe Castle</u>, gaze up at the walls of La Mola Fort and sample Menorcan specialties in the cafés and bars that line the quaysides. <u>Café Balear</u> is the perfect spot for watching the world go by over a plate of its signature lobster and chips or must-have Dubai chocolate.

Standing on the harborside, it's easy to imagine ships sailing here from empires past — Greeks and Phoenicians, Romans and French. Today, the port resembles a huge amphitheater for watching island life go by.



Where to Stay

Set on a quiet Blue Flag beach, White Sands Beach Club offers the chance to soak up the island's magical landscapes while enjoying easy access to all the sights. With its terracotta roofs and whitewashed walls, the resort resembles a traditional village, with relaxing palmshaded gardens. Family-sized Suites have sea-view balconies, while a playground, pool and miniature golf will keep all ages entertained.



White Sands Beach Club is built in the style of a traditional Menorcan village, complete with restaurants and sea views

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White Sands Beach Club				V	V	V		V

CULINARY ESSENTIALS

Tuck in on your travels with these fun foodie finds



Kin: Caribbean Recipes for the Modern Kitchen by Marie Mitchell \$35 / £30 / €35

This critically acclaimed cookbook comes from London-based chef and founder of the Island Social Club pop-up suppers, Marie Mitchell. It traces her Jamaican heritage and the history of Caribbean food through recipes handed down from generation to generation. Instantly transportive dishes include crisp saltfish fritters, honey jerk wings and reef chicken. Sunshine on a plate.



Fieldbar Drinks Box \$219 / £179 / €199

Inspired by South Africa's safari heritage, these chic Cape Town-crafted coolers elevate sundowner hour. The hardcase ice boxes promise to keep drinks Champagne-cold for up to 50 hours. They are also sustainably minded, with each of the 58 parts designed to be repairable and replaceable, so your cooler lasts a lifetime.



Picnic Season Cityscape Really Cool Picnic Basket \$50 / £39 / €45

This snazzy Aussie-made basket is as strong as it is colorful, able to hold just over 30 pounds of picnic goodies thanks to its tough aluminum frame. Insulated, heat-sealed and leakproof, it can take on all kinds of al fresco feasts, while the clever design means it folds flat for storage and packing.



Meri Meri Large Bright Stripe Reusable Plates \$46 / £38 / €46

Party pros Meri Meri also produces eco-friendly, reusable plates from recycled plastics. These cabana stripe numbers in light blue, yellow, mint, blue, pink and coral add a sunny splash of color to any on-the-go meal. Top with rainbow-bright salads or tropical fruits to amp up the zing.



Alessi Food à Porter Lunch Pot \$90 / £50 / €59

Packed lunches don't get more chic than this. Iconic Italian brand Alessi is known for its creative home goods, which transform the mundane into something exciting: Corkscrews shaped like people and juicers that look like sculptures. This curvy lunch pod is no different and has a hidden internal lid, turning it into two

compartments.



Victorinox Companion Sydney Style Pocket Knife \$74 / £75 / €73

A Swiss Army knife is a travel essential, whether you're scaling mountains or relaxing on the beach. Equally at home in a camp kitchen or cracking open a poolside beer, this compact multitool is a foodie's best friend — featuring everything from a sharp chopping blade to a corkscrew and scissors.



YETI Rambler Stackable Espresso Cups \$30 / £30 / €35

Pair your portable coffee machine with these nesting cups to really nail your travel caffeine routine. Perfectly sized for a single or double espresso (or a shot of your favourite liquor later on), these doublewall, vacuum-insulated cups will keep every drop of coffee hot, even on the coldest mornings.



Wacaco Nanopresso Portable Espresso Machine \$69.90 / £70 / €75

Wake up and smell the coffee with this dinky espresso machine. Entirely hand-powered, it delivers up to 18 bar pressure to give a rich crema on each flavorful shot. Simply fill with hot water and finely ground coffee to get that caffeine kick on every adventure.



Dusen Dusen Striped Napkins \$48 / £36 / €42

With their jewel-colored graphic stripes, these twill-weave cotton napkins made in India will jazz up any dining set-up, from park picnics to vacation home barbecues. They are designed by Brooklynbased textile and home goods line Dusen Dusen, known for its bold original prints, and will bring joy wherever you take them.



Humangear Spin Collapsible Spork \$7.99 / £6.50 / €7.50

Say goodbye to throwaway plastics with this clever two-inone fork and spoon. The ultra-compact companion is crafted from durable plant-based resin and is carabiner-compatible for easy clipping onto backpacks. Swivel it out, and the fork is stiff enough to cut soft food, while the spoon edges can scrape out any container.



Words: Jonathan Thompson

Illustrations: Michael Driver

New Orleans isn't just a city. It's a vibe. From live jazz to soul food, here's how to enjoy the perfect weekend in the Big Easy



Day one 9 A.M.

Get your bearings with an early-morning stroll through the city's picturesque colonial heart, the French Quarter. Also known as *Vieux Carré*, this is the oldest part of New Orleans and its social epicenter, particularly Bourbon Street. Look out for lively Jackson Square and stately St. Louis Cathedral as you soak in the atmosphere, stopping by <u>Killer PoBoys</u> for a half "po'boy" sandwich if you need an energy boost.



12 P.M.

Once you've worked up a genuine appetite, make your way to the Garden District for one of the most famous (and fun) brunches in town. Set in an old Creole cottage, <u>Atchafalaya</u> is renowned for its delicious twists on traditional plates — including crab cake benedict and risotto with bacon crackling gremolata — served with a healthy side of live music.

2 P.M.

New Orleans was carved out of the swamp by French emigres in 1718, and the modern city is still surrounded by bayou country today. Explore this unique ecosystem on an airboat tour with Jean Lafitte Swamp Tours, just a 25-minute drive from downtown. During your two-hour ride, look out for everything from baby turtles to monster alligators as you glide under moss-draped branches and meander down misty waterways.

9 P.M.

Playing traditional New Orleans jazz for more than 60 years, Preservation Hall on St. Peter Street is an absolute must for music lovers. Buy your tickets online to secure a good spot, then sit back and enjoy a venue that has hosted — and continues to host — some of the all-time greats. Just make sure you're wearing your dancing shoes: it's hard to sit still in this place.



6 P.M.

Back in the city, it's time for a drink.

New Orleans is America's cocktail
capital, and there's an
overwhelming number of bars to
choose from. Cut through the noise
and follow the locals to Jewel of the
South — an award-winning
mixology temple hidden in one of
the French Quarter's quieter
corners. Renowned for its signature
Brandy Crusta cocktail, it also
serves a delectable lobster bisque.



Day two BA.M.

Start your day with a wander through the quirky Marigny district, the French Quarter's colorful neighbor. Amid the Caribbean vibes and vibrant street art, you'll find one of the best breakfasts in town at Hotel Peter & Paul, a renovated former church and convent. Whatever you order, make sure you get the heavenly homemade focaccia and honey butter on the side.



11 A.M.

Get hands-on with New Orleans' rich culinary scene at The Mardi Gras School of Cooking. In a fun, airy space, professional chefs will teach you how to make the Cajun and Creole dishes of your choice, from crawfish etouffee and chicken-and-sausage gumbo to chocolate bread pudding with brandy mocha sauce.





Walk off your culinary creations with a trip to St. Roch Market — a buzzy local favorite where vendors sell fresh food and ingredients in a grand covered market that's more than 150 years old. Grab a coffee or dessert and take a moment to sit and enjoy the striking architecture and kinetic energy all around you.

5 P.M.

As afternoon fades into evening, make a beeline for the <u>Vue Orleans Observation Deck</u> and its extraordinary 34th-floor views of the city. From street level, an elevator whisks you straight up to indoor and outdoor viewing platforms, as well as a handy café and bar. This is the perfect way to wrap up your day in style — ideally just before sunset.



7 P.M.

Wind down with a couple of craft beers at the cheekily monikered Brieux Carré Brewing Co, on Decatur Street. Famed for its rotating selection of "Crispy," "Malty," "Sour" and "Hoppy" brews, it's a place to appreciate unique pints while munching on quirky bar snacks like "gator tators" and garlic anchovies.



9 P.M.

Conclude your trip by scoring some memorable souvenirs at <u>Palace Market</u> on Frenchmen Street, a charming night market held seven days a week. Here, you'll find handmade art, sculptures, clothing and jewelry from more than 80 local artists — perfect for bringing the laissez-faire spirit of the Big Easy back home with you.

Where to Stay

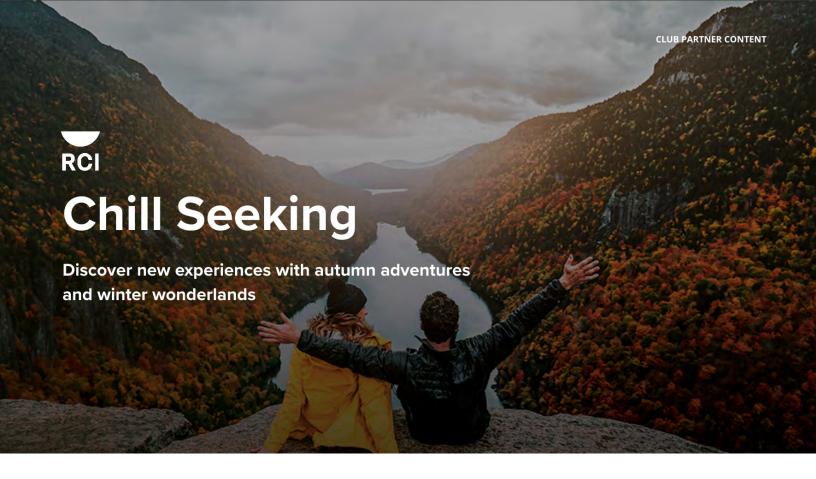
Tall, elegant and stylish, <u>The Marquee</u> is a 17-story oasis above the thrum of New Orleans' Theater District. When you're ready to venture out of your well-appointed Suite, head straight for the rooftop, where the pool has some of the best views in town — and the fire pit becomes a social hub each night. With the French Quarter's historic charm just steps away, you'll have the perfect balance of serene retreat and easy access to the city.



The Marquee is just steps away from New Orleans' legendary music, cuisine and culture

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As the temperatures begin to dip, now's the perfect moment to start planning your cozy fall or winter getaway. From the steep peaks of the Rocky Mountains to the rolling terrain of the Poconos, your RCI membership can get you where you want to go.

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While Vail is best known as a popular winter destination with world-class skiing and snowboarding, energetic après-ski spots and stunning snow-capped mountains, it's also a great location to visit in the fall. This time of year is ideal for enjoying mountain biking, horseback riding, fly fishing and scenic drives through the Vail Pass Scenic Byway. In the Rocky Mountains, hiking trails like Booth Falls and Lost Lake offer ample opportunities to experience mesmerizing colors that fill the landscape. And with fewer crowds at this time of year, it's even more serene.

Tahoe, California

Nestled in the Sierra Nevada, Lake Tahoe is a fantastic location for fall and winter getaways. In the fall, crisp air and vibrant autumn hues are felt and seen while hiking through scenic Emerald Bay State Park, driving through Donner Pass or biking along the Flume Trail. Numerous seasonal activities, like Oktoberfest and local harvest festivals, add to the charm. When winter arrives, colorful foliage is replaced with bright white snow, offering plenty of opportunities for skiing and snowboarding at area resorts. You can also soak in incredible hot springs or shop, dine and unwind at Heavenly Village.







On the East Coast, the Pocono Mountains offer visitors breathtaking beauty in fall or winter. In the fall, take in the vivid reds, oranges and yellows filling the landscape as you explore trails in Big Pocono State Park, Hickory Run State Park or one of the many other nearby state and national parks. Admire scenic views from atop Camelback Mountain or surrounding Bushkill Falls. In the winter, the region transforms into a snowy wonderland. Many ski resorts offer fun for the whole family with skiing, snowboarding and snow tubing. Pair these activities with a classic sleigh ride, an exciting indoor waterpark or a cozy evening by a warm fire, and you'll uncover a truly magical experience.

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