

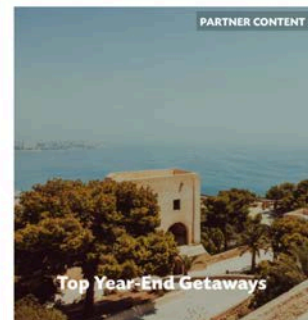
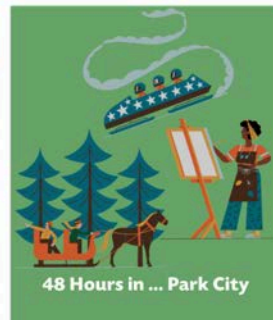
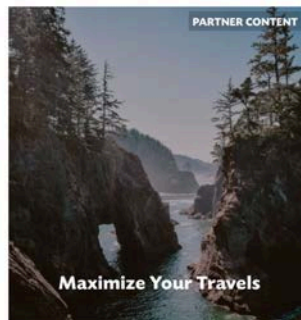
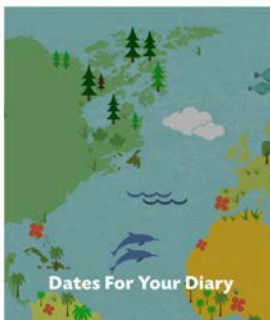
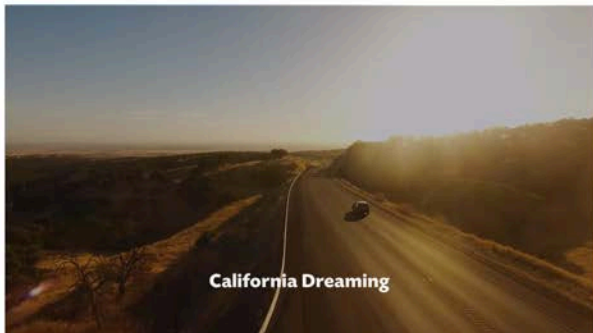
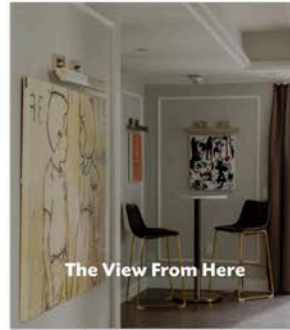
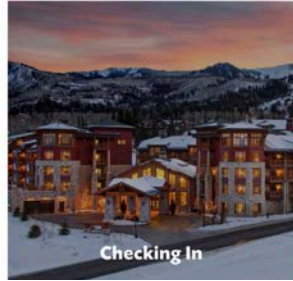
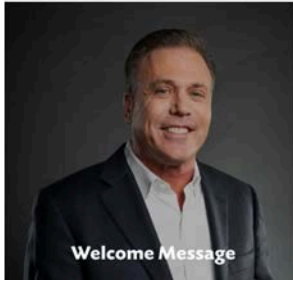
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Dear Club Members,

Welcome to the 2022 Fall/Winter issue of *Club Traveler* magazine! Though cooler temperatures, fall leaves and the end of year tend to bring themes of reflection and gratitude, I can't help but look ahead with a feeling of excitement for what's to come for our Owners and Members.

These past two years alone, we've accomplished much to celebrate. From HGV's acquisition of Diamond Resorts to the launch of HGV Max, Hilton Vacation Club and HGV Ultimate Access, and the opening of new Hilton Grand Vacations Club and Hilton Club properties in Maui, Sesoko and New York, it's certainly an exciting time to be a Member. I am thrilled that with each initiative, your travel options are expanded further. To help you explore those options, we've packed this issue with inspiration geared toward making your travel dreams come true.

California Dreaming

Our dreamy cover story takes you on an epic road trip of the Golden State, with stops in San Francisco, Santa Cruz, Santa Barbara, Los Angeles, Carlsbad and San Diego. From beaches to mountains and deserts to vibrant cities, California provides the perfect backdrop for a memorable vacation experience. Read along for tips on how to make this ultimate California road trip a reality.

Beach State of Mind

Our second feature story explores the dynamic resort city of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina – the perfect seaside destination no matter the season. While the summer months allow for soaking up the sun oceanfront or immersing yourself in nature via kayaking or garden strolls, winter temperatures are pleasant enough to walk along the boardwalk, play a round of golf and dine at top restaurants without the hustle and bustle of summer crowds.

Expand Your Travel Horizons

Travel inspiration abounds later in this issue in "Checking In," with three options for a winter wonderland-inspired stay. If you're looking for outdoor fun for every season, discover "One City, Five Ways: Lake Tahoe." We also deliver "6 Reasons to Visit ... Scottsdale," spotlighting a desert playground perfect for fall or winter travel. And finally, our two-day itinerary showcases world-class skiing in a charming mountain retreat in "48 Hours in ... Park City."

It has been my pleasure meeting many of you during my travels with HGV this year. I wish you many future years of making wonderful travel memories with us. And I hope that you and yours have a wonderful holiday season and blissful new year!

Happy and safe travels,

Stan Soroka
Executive Vice President & Chief Customer Officer



Checking In

Our favorite HGV properties right now

Winter Wonderland

Three Hilton Grand Vacations properties for a memorable year-end getaway – be sure to plan and book ahead



Hilton Vacation Club Lake Tahoe Resort

901 Ski Run Boulevard, South Lake Tahoe, California

Lake Tahoe is truly a four-season destination – while there’s plenty to do in the warmer months, from jet skiing to kayaking, there’s no shortage of winter activities, too. The area is home to a whopping 470 miles of world-class ski slopes, from beginner-friendly routes to black diamond runs. Not a fan of snow sports? You can enjoy a scenic winter’s walk around the lake’s shore, or even take a dip in the frigid waters (if you dare).

After all that excitement, relax in your accommodation at Hilton Vacation Club Lake Tahoe Resort, situated a short walk from the water. Available for booking to HGV Club Members with HGV Max benefits, this charming lakeside lodge offers Studios alongside 1- and 2-Bedroom Suites with either kitchenettes or fully equipped kitchens. On-site amenities include a full-service restaurant, game room, indoor/outdoor pool, hot tub, fitness center and sauna.



Sunrise Lodge, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club

2307 West High Mountain Road, Park City, Utah

Nestled deep in the mountains of Park City, Sunrise Lodge, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club is another excellent option for snow-sports enthusiasts. For starters, the resort has an on-site ski valet where you can rent or store your gear. It’s also conveniently located by the base of the Sunrise ski lift, so you have easy access to the slopes.

Once you’ve had your fill of skiing and snowboarding, hop on the free shuttle service to the shops and restaurants of Park City, located five miles away.

Alternatively, take a dip in the resort’s heated outdoor pool, which features two oversized spas, or simply relax and unwind in your spacious Studio or Suite. Select accommodations come with a terrace, a balcony, a patio offering glorious mountain views or a fireplace – perfect for a cozy winter stay.



The Quin, a Hilton Club

101 West 57th Street, New York, New York

For a city break, look no further than the Big Apple, which is especially charming in the winter. During the coldest months of the year, the city comes alive with festive pop-ups and glittering holiday displays – you can’t miss the enormous Christmas tree at Rockefeller Center. Do also check out the skating rink in Central Park, where you can glide across the ice with the mesmerizing New York City skyline as your backdrop.

Make your base at The Quin, a Hilton Club in Midtown Manhattan, which recently celebrated its grand opening. The property is a feast for the eyes: You’ll find works by artists such as Blek le Rat and Max Burkhalter adorning the walls, and accommodations offer either scenic park or city views. Read more about The Quin in the [August 2022 Club Traveler newsletter](#) and the [Spring 2022 issue of the Club Traveler magazine](#).

Don't forget to check the official travel requirements for each destination before your trip. All travelers visiting the United States no longer need a pre-departure COVID-19 test. However, non-U.S. citizens who are not immigrants to the United States are required to be fully vaccinated and provide proof of their vaccination status to enter the country. Exceptions to this vaccination requirement are limited. For the latest regulations, visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention [website](#).

ClubPoints Planning Tips

Hilton Vacation Club Lake Tahoe Resort

Platinum Season: 400 Points per night for a 3-night stay (Mon–Thu) in a Studio to 14,000 Points per week for a 7-night stay in a 2-Bedroom Suite

Gold Season: 300 Points per night for a 3-night stay (Mon–Thu) in a Studio to 10,500 Points per week for a 7-night stay in a 2-Bedroom Suite

Silver Season: 250 Points per night for a 3-night stay (Mon–Thu) in a Studio to 8,500 Points per week for a 7-night stay in a 2-Bedroom Suite

Sunrise Lodge, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club

Platinum Season: 560 Points per night for a 3-night stay (Mon–Thu) in a Studio Plus to 24,480 Points per week for a 7-night stay in a 4-Bedroom Premier

Gold Season: 400 Points per night for a 3-night stay (Mon–Thu) in a Studio Plus to 19,680 Points per week for a 7-night stay in a 4-Bedroom Premier

Silver Season: 272 Points per night for a 3-night stay (Mon–Thu) in a Studio Plus to 13,920 Points per week for a 7-night stay in a 4-Bedroom Premier

The Quin, a Hilton Club

Platinum Season: 840 Points per night for a 3-night stay (Mon–Thu) in a Studio to 33,600 Points per week for a 7-night stay in a 1-Bedroom Penthouse

Gold Season: 600 Points per night for a 3-night stay (Mon–Thu) in a Studio to 23,200 Points per week for a 7-night stay in a 1-Bedroom Penthouse

Explore More With HGV Max

Enjoy new Member benefits and future access to exciting travel destinations



Soak up the sun at La Pacifica Los Cabos, a Hilton Club

HGV Max offers you more ways to make vacation memories with exclusive Member benefits, including complimentary web and phone reservations at over 60 resorts within the HGV Club exchange program. You'll also enjoy one annual Club Dues payment regardless of the number of timeshare interests owned.

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Dates for Your Diary



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



Take in the iconic Rockefeller Center Christmas tree
Image by Dimitrios Kambouris/Getty images

Rockefeller Center Christmas Tree Lighting

When: November 30, 2022

Where: New York City

Why go: For over eight decades, the towering Christmas tree at Rockefeller Center has served as a holiday beacon for New York City residents and tourists alike. The lights and decorations have gotten bigger and brighter throughout the years, but one thing remains the same – the warm, fuzzy feeling you get when you set eyes on the glittering beauty. After the official lighting ceremony on November 30, the tree will be illuminated daily from 6 a.m. to midnight. And on Christmas Day, the lights will be switched on for 24 hours.

Where to stay: [The Central at 5th, a Hilton Club](#) is an elegant 34-floor tower that puts you within walking distance of key Manhattan attractions, including Rockefeller Center. After a day of festive shopping, relax and recharge in your luxurious Studio or Suite, both of which feature a king-size bed and a 50-inch TV.



Enjoy holiday carols and live bands at the Olde Towne Holiday Music Festival

Olde Towne Holiday Music Festival

When: December 10, 2022

Where: Portsmouth, Virginia

Why go: Every December, the city of Portsmouth (around a 25-minute drive from Virginia Beach) comes alive with the sounds of carol singers, roving musicians and live bands. Local shops and restaurants usually offer special deals for the day, and there's also a farmers market where you can browse and buy fresh wares. Keep an eye out for the marshmallow-roasting stations, where you can enjoy some of the sweet, gooey treats.

Where to stay: Make your base at [Ocean Beach Club, a Hilton Vacation Club](#), a Caribbean-inspired resort located a stone's throw from the lively Virginia Beach Boardwalk. Amenities include not one but four oceanfront pools, a game room and a fitness center.

Ocean Beach Club, a Hilton Vacation Club is available for booking to HGV Club Members with HGV Max benefits. If you'd like to learn more about HGV Max, visit the [Club website](#).



Sample seasonal dishes from around the world at EPCOT

EPCOT International Festival of the Holidays

When: November 25–December 30, 2022

Where: Orlando

Why go: 'Tis the season to be jolly indeed at EPCOT at Walt Disney World® Resort, with Christmas entertainment and festivities taking place for over a month. From storytelling events and candlelight processions to a Yuletide-themed scavenger hunt, there's guaranteed fun for the whole family. And of course, what's the holiday season without good food? Eat your way through seasonal dishes from around the world at various kiosks – and remember to leave some room for the festive desserts.

Where to stay: [Parc Soleil, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club](#) is a family-friendly property located a 15-minute drive from EPCOT. Studios and Suites come with either a kitchenette or a full kitchen – great for cooking easy meals for the family.



Las Vegas' New Year's Eve fireworks are a true spectacle
Image by Simon Tonge/Getty images

Las Vegas New Year's Eve Fireworks

When: December 31, 2022

Where: Las Vegas

Why go: While the neon lights and non-stop action of the Las Vegas Strip are year-round attractions, the city is most vibrant on New Year's Eve. This is when the entire Strip is closed off to vehicular traffic, allowing partygoers to wander the streets uninhibited. At the stroke of midnight, many of the casinos – including MGM Grand Las Vegas Hotel & Casino and Caesars Palace Las Vegas Hotel & Casino – launch a choreographed fireworks display that's a sight to behold.

Where to stay: Stay in the heart of the action at [The Boulevard, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club](#), located right on the Strip. After a night of revelry, enjoy a pampering massage or facial at the on-site eforea Spa, which offers a wide range of treatments. Please note that backpacks are not allowed on the Strip during New Year's Eve celebrations. Be sure to stop by the front desk to learn about any other restrictions in place.



See features and documentaries at this film festival

Sedona International Film Festival

When: February 18–26, 2023

Where: Sedona, Arizona

Why go: Cinephiles will love this renowned festival, which showcases independent films from around the world. In 2023, the event will celebrate its 29th year with more than 140 films (from features to shorts to documentaries) over nine days – its biggest edition thus far. Screenings will take place at various venues including the Sedona Performing Arts Center and the Mary D. Fisher Theatre.

Where to stay: Nestled among striking rock formations, [Sedona Summit, a Hilton Vacation Club](#) is a beautiful hideaway perfect for those headed to Red Rock Country. Within the resort, you'll find amenities such as four heated outdoor pools, a luxurious hot tub and a fitness center.

Sedona Summit, a Hilton Vacation Club is available for booking to HGV Club Members with HGV Max benefits. If you'd like to learn more about HGV Max, visit the [Club website](#).



Join the winter festivities at the North Lake Tahoe SnowFest

North Lake Tahoe SnowFest

When: February 24–March 5, 2023

Where: North Lake Tahoe, California

Why go: Experience a veritable winter wonderland at the North Lake Tahoe SnowFest, which is an annual calendar highlight that's been running for over four decades and counting. Over 10 days, there'll be a gamut of events and activities to look forward to, including a laser show, fireworks displays, ski races, bar parties, pancake breakfasts, pet events and much more.

Where to stay: Surrounded by postcard-perfect woodland scenery, [Hilton Vacation Club Lake Tahoe Resort](#) is a great base for an active vacation – it's located close to several ski resorts and is a short walk from the waters of Lake Tahoe. After a fun-filled day of adventure, unwind at the on-site sauna or take a dip in the indoor pool.

The View From Here

Enjoy sweeping views of Central Park from our property in the heart of New York City



The Quin, a Hilton Club is located in the heart of New York City

Images: Max Burkhalter

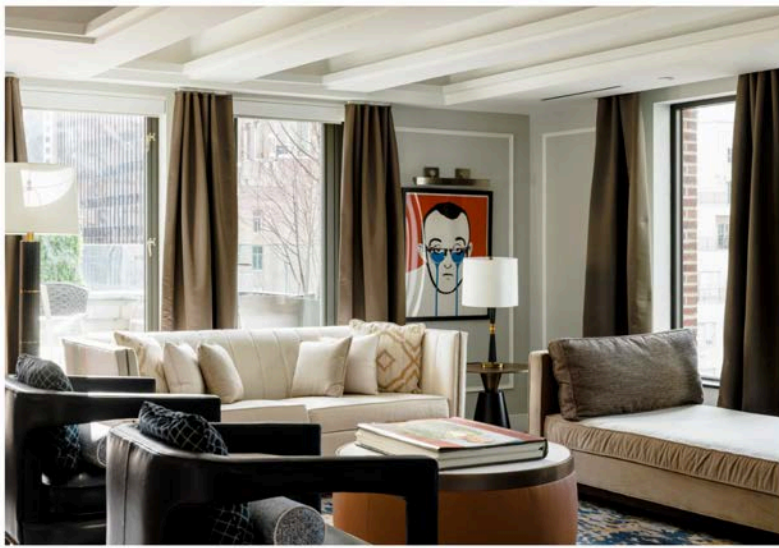
The Quin, a Hilton Club

Dreaming of an action-packed getaway to New York City? Located mere steps from Central Park, [The Quin, a Hilton Club](#) in Midtown Manhattan provides the ideal base for exploring everything the Big Apple has to offer. From here, you can easily walk to many of the city's top attractions. Catch a star-studded show at Carnegie Hall or on Broadway, do some high-end shopping along Fifth Avenue, browse the latest exhibitions at The Museum of Modern Art and enjoy dinner at an award-winning restaurant.

Back at The Quin, once frequented by artistic greats such as American modernist painter Georgia O'Keeffe and Russian-French maestro Marc Chagall, you can admire a curated collection of artworks created especially for the property (read more about its art program in the [Spring 2022 issue of Club Traveler](#)). The views from the spacious Studios and Suites are equally inspiring – you can take in scenes of either verdant Central Park or the bustling streets of Midtown Manhattan. Book a luxurious 1-Bedroom Penthouse for the best vistas of the former (note that availability is limited for non-Owners so be sure to plan as soon as the Club Reservation window allows).



Start your stay in style in the chic lobby



Enjoy the bespoke art collection featured across the property



Every corner of The Quin is artfully decorated



Penthouse guests can take in skyscraper views from the convenient Midtown location

Near the Resort



Carnegie Hall

Founded in 1891, this concert venue and National Historic Landmark is one of the most prestigious stages in the world. Take a tour to hear behind-the-scenes tales of visiting musical legends. Over the years, it's hosted the likes of Leonard Bernstein, The Beatles and Billie Holiday.



Central Park

As the most-visited urban park in the United States, New York City's iconic 843-acre green lung is essential to its identity. Enjoy a leisurely stroll along its leafy paths – exquisite when the autumn foliage reaches its colorful peak – or rent a rowboat and explore the lake.



The Museum of Modern Art

Also known as MoMA, this museum is home to almost 200,000 paintings, drawings, sculptures, prints and more, dating from the 1880s through today. Look for works by some of the most influential artists of all time, from Pablo Picasso to Jackson Pollock.

ONE CITY, FIVE WAYS: LAKE TAHOE

Lake Tahoe One City, Five Ways

Words: Alexandra Owens

Adventure is always around the corner in this outdoor playground

With North America's largest alpine lake, hundreds of miles of scenic trails, some of the best skiing in the world and around 300 days of sunshine each year, it's no wonder Lake Tahoe – which straddles the border between California and Nevada – is a haven for outdoor fun in every season. But there's something that makes fall and winter extra magical in this slice of paradise, whether you're admiring the cascading snow while indulging in a lobster dinner or ice skating against a backdrop of white peaks and verdant forests. Here's our pick of some of the best things to see and do in the Jewel of the Sierra.



Get in the winter spirit with ice skating in Lake Tahoe

Nature

Skiing aside, there's plenty of outdoor adventures in Lake Tahoe this time of year. Grab your snowshoes and head to Shirley Canyon for a [guided tour](#) of icy waterfalls and creeks. And for a glimpse of the bald and golden eagles that rest here during the colder months, trek to [Chickadee Ridge](#).

While Lake Tahoe itself doesn't freeze over, the surrounding towns have become popular ice-skating destinations. Practice your double axel at [Heavenly Village](#) in South Lake Tahoe or the [Resort at Squaw Creek](#) in Olympic Valley. Meanwhile, thrill-seekers can try their hand at [snowmobiling](#). Book a group or private tour with [Lake Tahoe Adventures](#), which transports guests through mountain meadows to peaks nearly 8,500 feet above sea level.

If you're simply looking for jaw-dropping views, take the 2.4-mile ride up the [Heavenly Gondola](#) before stopping at one of Lake Tahoe's most picturesque observation decks for glorious panoramas of the sparkling waters below.



Learn about pioneer history at Donner Memorial State Park
Image by AlessandraRC/Shutterstock

Arts and Culture

Lake Tahoe naturally appeals to more outdoorsy types, but if you know where to look, the area is also full of fascinating cultural sites. Follow in Mark Twain's footsteps as you [tour](#) some of his favorite spots, including a section of the Flume Trail, where the views are what he extols as "the fairest picture the whole earth affords."

North of the lake, near Tahoe National Forest, you can find an ancient Native American petroglyph site – sacred inscriptions on the mountains' rocky surface. Visit nearby [Donner Memorial State Park](#) and learn about the American pioneers who once traveled to this part of the Sierra in wagon trains, and the dangers they faced on their journeys.

The region also has a number of impressive museums and historic homes. These include [Vikingsholm](#), considered to be one of the finest examples of Scandinavian architecture in the country, and [Gatekeeper's Museum](#) in Tahoe City, where you can see the largest Native American basket collection in the Lake Tahoe Basin.

Three



Take in incredible views over dinner at Edgewood Restaurant
Image by Edgewood Restaurant

Food

Many of Lake Tahoe's restaurants specialize in seafood dishes and hearty meats sourced from local farms and ranches – perfect for fueling your action-packed adventures. But they have something else in common, too: stunning waterfront vistas. For arguably the best table in town, make a reservation at [Edgewood Restaurant](#), where floor-to-ceiling windows look out on the lake and mountains. Ask the host for the best time to book, so you can enjoy creative dishes such as pine-cone-smoked elk loin and espresso-dusted veal chop during sunset.

Another excellent establishment with a gorgeous view is [Riva Grill](#), which serves Dungeness crab sandwiches and lobster deviled eggs on its heated patio. Then there's also [Artemis Lakefront Cafe](#), which offers a twist on classic Greek dishes – think beer-battered mahi-mahi slathered with a tangy remoulade and served in a pita wrap.

If you're looking to quench your thirst after a day on the slopes or the trails, check out Lake Tahoe's booming craft-beer scene. [South Lake Brewing Company](#) and [Lake Tahoe AleWorX](#) are two popular hangouts, and [South of North Brewing Co.](#) sets up fire pits for those who prefer to drink alfresco. And for bites and drinks served with lakeside patio views, grab a table at Bear Moon Bar and Grill at Hilton Vacation Club Lake Tahoe Resort.



Four

Browse local photography, jewelry, home decor and other art at The Eadington Gallery
Image by The Eadington Gallery

Shopping

Despite its small-town vibe, Lake Tahoe is packed with charming galleries and boutiques selling goods from talented local artisans. Stop by [GaiaLicious](#) – something of a South Shore creative incubator – for made-in-Tahoe treasures, such as gemstone jewelry from designer [Melissa Gisele](#) and small-batch clay mugs by [Sierra Clay Art](#). At [Heavenly Village](#), you'll find [Pacific Crest Gallery](#), which curates art, rustic home decor and jewelry, as well as [The Eadington Gallery](#). The latter is home to the works of Michael Eadington, a fine-art landscape photographer born and raised in the Sierra Nevada region.

Up in Tahoe City, you can visit independently-owned shops at the Bavarian-inspired [Cobblestone Center](#). These include [Topsy Gypsy](#) for women's clothing, [Pineapple](#) for home decor and [Trunk Show](#) for a rotating selection of art, jewelry and woodwork.



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Sample expertly mixed cocktails in South Lake Tahoe

Nightlife

Though the North Shore tends to be a bit sleepy, South Lake Tahoe has earned a reputation as a thriving nightlife destination in these parts. If you're looking to treat yourself, [Cliché Lounge](#) has an extensive menu of premium whiskeys and vintage wines, as well as 50 brands of cigars. Locals enjoy hanging out at [Whiskey Dick's Saloon](#), a beloved dive bar with darts, classic video games and, on most weekends, live music courtesy of alternative, rock and bluegrass bands.

Further north, Tahoe City boasts a more laid-back but lively nightlife scene. [Pete 'n Peter's](#) has been a local institution for over four decades, while the nearby [Fat Cat Bar & Grill](#) mixes tasty bar food with live music and karaoke for a winning combination.

For those ready to show off their poker skills, Lake Tahoe boasts numerous casinos with a game for every player, whether you'd prefer blackjack or trying your odds at the slots. Look for concerts, comedy nights and dancing at Harvey's Tahoe, Bally's Lake Tahoe, and more.

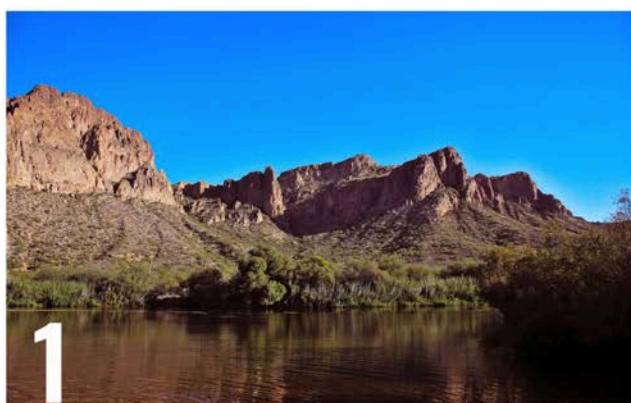
Six Reasons to Visit ... Arizona



Discover why you should plan a trip to “The West’s Most Western Town”

Words: **Nicholas DeRenzo** Images: **Unsplash & Sean Deckert**

Encompassing almost 185 square miles of Greater Phoenix, Scottsdale is known for its golf courses, poolside resorts and booming cultural scene. Come fall and winter, when temperatures finally drop out of the triple digits – with daily highs in October just above 80 degrees Fahrenheit – the city comes into its own. The warm days are perfect for active pursuits among the saguaros and boulders, with cool nights ideal for sipping local wine by the fire pit. Read on to discover the charms of this Sonoran Desert playground.



It’s sunny for more than 330 days each year

There’s a reason why the Phoenix metropolitan area has been dubbed the “Valley of the Sun.” The near-constant sunshine makes for excellent golf and tennis weather, though you shouldn’t feel guilty if you’d rather spend your time lazing by the pool with a good book in hand. A thrilling way to cool off on the hottest of days is to head to the nearby Salt River, located about 30 miles east of town, where you can raft, tube, kayak, canoe, stand-up paddleboard or fish as birds of prey soar overhead. While exploring the area’s stunning nature reserves, keep your eyes peeled for a sighting of the majestic Salt River wild horses, who roam free along the lower river banks.

It’s home to the lushest desert in the world

Most people visit Scottsdale for the sunshine, but on the rare occasion you see rainfall, take solace in the fact that it’s responsible for some dazzling natural beauty. Guinness World Records ranks Arizona’s Sonoran Desert as the world’s wettest, with up to 11.8 inches of annual rainfall, resulting in colorful wildflower blooms from February through April. One of the most awe-inspiring ways to take in the scenery is from a hot-air balloon, but if you’d rather keep your feet on the ground, visit the [Desert Botanical Garden](#) to admire an array of cacti, agaves and aloes. The botanical garden is home to nearly 1,000 giant saguaro cacti – an icon of the Southwest that only grows here in the Sonoran Desert.





Taliesin West is one of America's greatest buildings

America's most famous architect, Frank Lloyd Wright, began decamping to Scottsdale every winter in the mid-1930s. In 1937, he unveiled his iconic winter residence and desert design laboratory, Taliesin West. Built using Sonoran stone and sand, the house — all sweeping horizontal lines and warm tones — melts into the desert backdrop. The grounds are dotted with petroglyph-covered boulders, soaring cacti and even a fire-breathing dragon sculpture. In 2019, [Taliesin West](#) was one of eight Frank Lloyd Wright works to be jointly recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage site and visitors can even join a guided tour for exclusive access to the residence's private living spaces.

You can sip your way through the Scottsdale Wine Trail

Arizona is emerging as one of the most exciting wine-growing states in the country, with three American Viticultural Areas: the Verde Valley near Sedona, and Sonoita and Willcox near Tucson. But you don't need to leave Old Town Scottsdale to get a taste of the state's finest offerings. [The Scottsdale Wine Trail](#) features six wineries and tasting rooms, including the Aridus Wine Company and Merkin Vineyards, where you can sample pours alongside the chef's selection of local charcuterie or delicious pasta dishes. If you're more of a beer fan, don't worry — there's also the [Scottsdale Ale Trail](#), which connects some of the 30-plus craft breweries in the greater Scottsdale area.

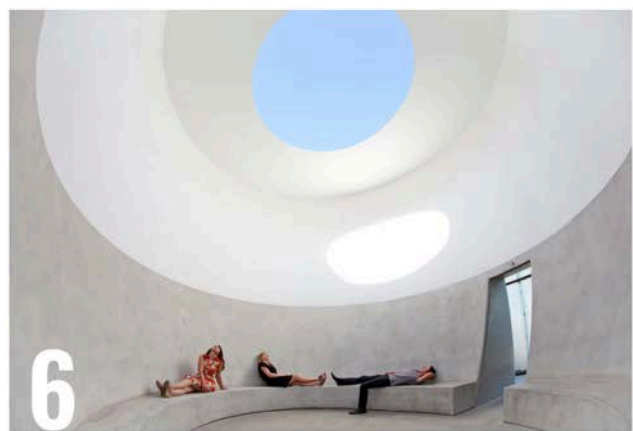


It boasts some of the country's top rock climbing

Scottsdale is blessed with numerous unique geological formations, from Camelback Mountain to Pinnacle Peak, which can be enjoyed by hikers and climbers alike. At the top of your list should be the 30,000-acre [McDowell Sonoran Preserve](#), one of the largest urban parks in America. (The preserve, however, certainly doesn't look "urban" and earned this designation because it sits within city limits.) Among its most popular summits is Tom's Thumb, which can be reached by a boulder-strewn, 2.3-mile trail that ascends a calf-burning 1,200 feet — if you want a shortcut, you can always climb up the granite crag. For a less strenuous path with similar jaw-dropping views, try the Granite Mountain Loop.

It has an excellent collection of art galleries and museums

The city's downtown Arts District is home to the Smithsonian-affiliated [Western Spirit: Scottsdale's Museum of the West](#), which celebrates the area and its transition from Old West to New West with cowboy paintings, Hopi pottery and historical artifacts such as explorer Meriwether Lewis' pipe tomahawk. Nearby, you can browse commercial galleries for some Western and Native American art. Also, don't miss the [Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art](#), which hosts rotating exhibitions and a permanent James Turrell Skyspace installation called "Knight Rise" — imagine a serene courtyard with an elliptical ceiling aperture, through which you can take in the changing hues of the sky.

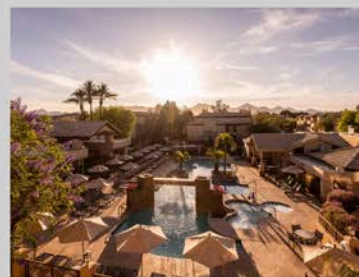


Where to Stay



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

Located within putting distance of some of the area's best golf courses, this resort features spacious suites and a sprawling pool area. It also provides convenient access to Camelback Mountain and its miles of hiking trails.



[Scottsdale Villa Mirage, a Hilton Vacation Club](#)

It's all about family-friendly fun at this Sonoran Desert retreat, which offers activities for all ages. Kids will love the splash pad and the miniature golf course, while parents can try their hand at pickleball and shuffleboard.



California Dreaming

Six stops for the perfect California road trip – from colorful cities to charming surf towns

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Spend some time on California's golden beaches



California is home to some of the best surfing in the country

San Francisco

The Golden State has it all: stunning beaches, majestic mountains, dramatic deserts, vibrant cities and more. Indeed, there's so much for travelers to explore in California, making it the perfect destination for an action-packed road trip.

The Bay Area provides the ideal starting point for an unforgettable adventure that spans a little more than 600 miles, including a drive along the cliff-hugging Pacific Coast Highway, and eventually ending in San Diego. Within a week, you can take in many of the state's spectacular natural wonders, laid-back beach towns and storied cities – and still have enough time to visit wineries, galleries and cafes along the way.



Explore San Francisco's Chinatown



See the iconic Golden Gate Bridge



Sample the city's exciting food scene

Tour San Francisco's vibrant neighborhoods via streetcar



First, spend a couple of days in San Francisco, one of the nation's most diverse metropolises. With its pedestrian-friendly neighborhoods and eclectic architecture – from striking Victorian houses to modern skyscrapers – this city by the bay is delightfully walkable. In just a few hours, you can enjoy a roving buffet: Grab a serving of creamy clam chowder at [Fisherman's Wharf](#), sample some shrimp dumplings and barbecue pork buns in the largest [Chinatown](#) outside of Asia, and complete your feast with an authentic Italian cappuccino and a cannoli in North Beach.

If you get tired and need a break from climbing the city's spectacular hills, hop on one of its iconic cable cars, which were designated as a National Historic Landmark in 1964. Other must-dos include walking or biking across the renowned [Golden Gate Bridge](#), and taking a ferry to [Alcatraz Island](#) for a tour of its infamous prison.

Take a ferry to the infamous Alcatraz Island prison



Santa Cruz

From San Francisco, it's less than a two-hour drive to Santa Cruz, but you'll feel like you're in a different world altogether in this surfing capital. Legend has it that back in 1885, three Hawaiian princes took to the waters off Santa Cruz on enormous surfboards made from local redwood, thereby introducing the sport to the mainland. Today, you can dive into that history by visiting the [Santa Cruz Surfing Museum](#) overlooking the beloved surfer beach Steamer Lane.

If you don't get to experience the thrill of riding the waves, another adrenaline rush awaits at the fun-filled [Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk](#) in the form of the Giant Dipper, a wooden roller coaster with an approximately 65-foot drop. Afterward, calm your nerves with some relaxing forest bathing among the towering redwood and sequoia trees at [Big Basin Redwoods State Park](#), about 20 miles north of the city.

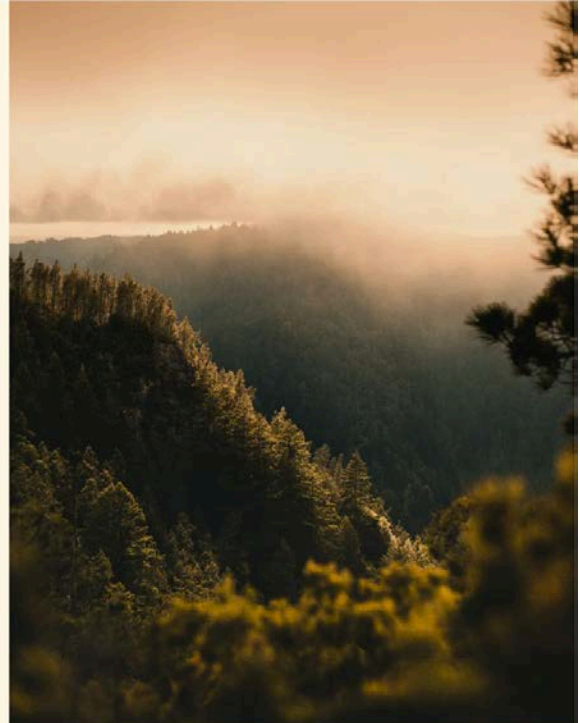
Santa Cruz is a great place to begin your drive along the scenic California State Route 1, which is part of the extensive Pacific Coast Highway. You'll cross one of the most photographed bridges in California – the [Bixby Creek Bridge](#), a single-span concrete arch that soars 260 feet above a steep canyon. Then, you'll enter [Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park](#), where you'll be treated to breathtaking views of the sparkling Pacific Ocean.



Take in sunset views from Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk



Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park offers stunning Pacific Ocean panoramas



Big Basin Redwoods State Park is home to redwood and sequoia trees

Santa Barbara

Take your time traveling the winding U.S. Route 101 (approximately 260 miles) to Santa Barbara. This Central Coast city is where beachy casual meets glam, especially at [The Funk Zone arts district](#). In this up-and-coming neighborhood, you'll discover many warehouses and other buildings that have been converted into upscale wine-tasting rooms, cafes, galleries and shops. Be sure to also explore Santa Barbara wine country. There are nine wine trails along country roads leading to various wineries and tasting rooms, where you can sample some of the best pinot noirs, chardonnays and syrahs in California.



Find some of California's best wineries in Santa Barbara

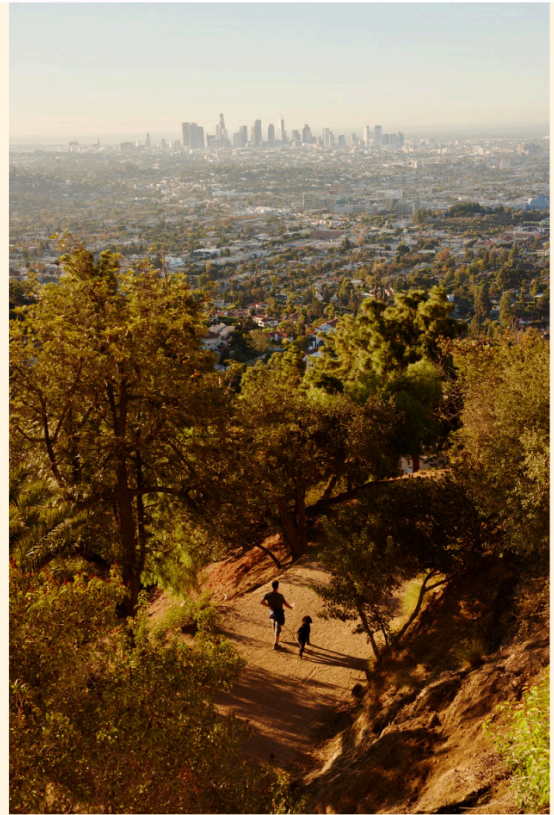


Explore the city's charming waterside

Los Angeles

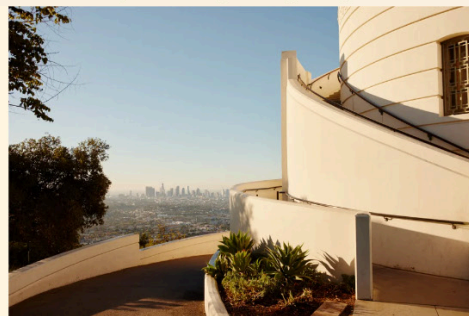
From here, it's about 100 miles to Los Angeles, the epicenter of the world's film and television industry. Soak in some Hollywood history by visiting the [TCL Chinese Theatre](#) and admire the 2,700-plus terrazzo and brass stars honoring cultural luminaries along the Hollywood Walk of Fame. Then, admire the giant Hollywood sign from Sunset Boulevard and learn more about the inner workings of film production by booking a studio tour at [Paramount Pictures](#), [Warner Bros.](#) or [Universal Studios Hollywood](#).

Discover incredible views of the Hollywood Hills

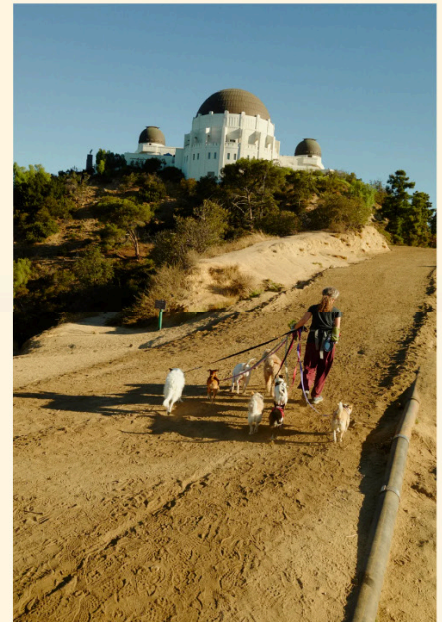


Explore Los Angeles' parks to immerse in the rustic natural landscape, even in the heart of the city

Catch a glimpse of the giant Hollywood sign

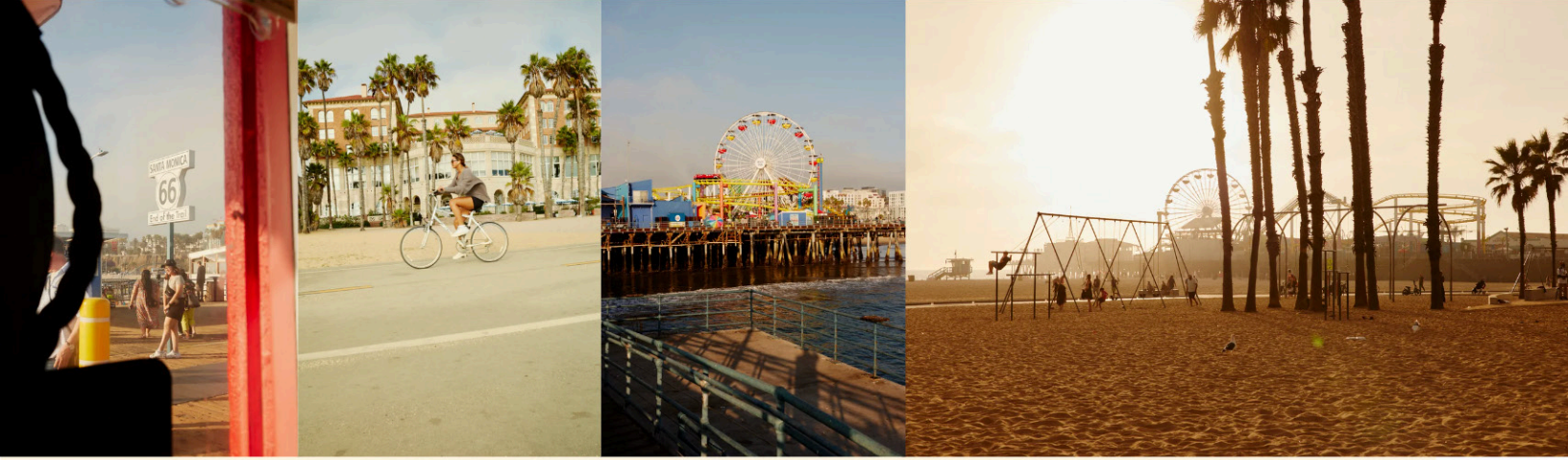


Take in panoramas of sprawling metropolises



Soak up the California sunshine

For some of the best culinary experiences in the area, head west to the classic beach and dining hotspot of Santa Monica. You'll find plenty of options at the pedestrian esplanade [3rd Street Promenade](#), such as local bluefin tuna poke at [Water Grill](#) or a La Paloma cocktail (tequila blanco, grapefruit and lime juice, agave nectar and Squirt soda) at [1212 Santa Monica](#). Have time for a sunset bike ride? Rent a set of wheels and explore The Strand, a 22-mile coastal path passing through Venice Beach, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach and Redondo Beach.



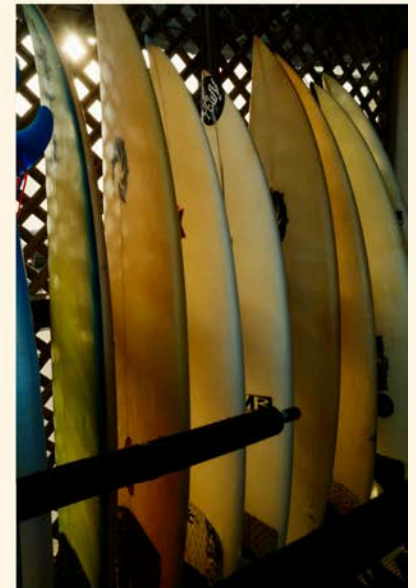
Santa Monica is a cultural hotspot with dining, drinks and delightful walking paths along the beach

Carlsbad

If you prefer a quieter beach scene, you'll find it in San Diego County's best-kept secret. About 90 miles south of Los Angeles, Carlsbad is an idyllic seaside retreat with miles of pristine sands, incredible sunsets, innovative restaurants, top-notch golf courses and sprawling ranunculus flower fields that explode with color off Interstate 5 in the springtime. It's also home to [LEGOLAND® California Resort](#), a theme park showcasing cities made out of millions of LEGO bricks. The resort also includes a water park and an aquarium. The latter is where you can get up close and personal with numerous marine creatures, including sharks and stingrays.



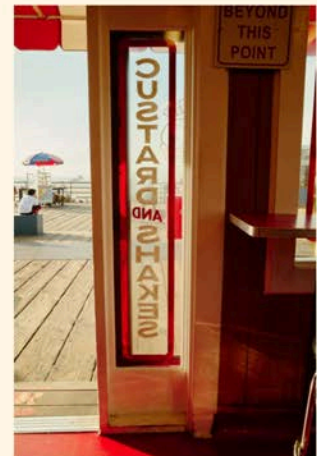
Drive along the epic Pacific Coast Highway



Try your hand at watersports.



Take a dip in the Pacific Ocean waves



Don't miss the classic boardwalk eateries along the sands

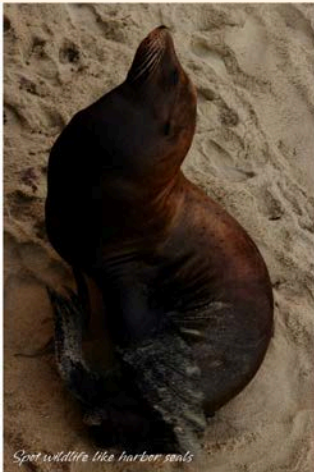
San Diego

Finally, round off your road trip in San Diego, nicknamed “America’s Finest City” for its beautiful beaches and predominantly balmy weather. No visit is complete without seeing the world-famous [San Diego Zoo](#) in [Balboa Park](#), but don’t forget to also check out some of the area’s lesser-known treasures, such as the La Jolla Sea Caves located 13 miles north of the city center. You can reach them through a kayak tour or by descending 145-odd steps on a self-guided tour beginning at [The Cave Store](#).

Indeed, much of San Diego’s identity is based on its proximity to the water, including its naval history – as highlighted at the [USS Midway Museum](#) – and seafood-heavy, Baja-inspired cuisine. Try the ceviche verde (green ceviche) at [Puesto](#), a favorite among local foodies. Alternatively, indulge in comfort food – think chips and guacamole or an enormous steak and shrimp burrito – in the outdoor garden at [Casa de Reyes](#) in [Old Town San Diego State Historic Park](#). Can’t get enough of Mexican fare? You can still grab one last order of fish tacos at the San Diego International Airport after turning in your rental car.



Try out local restaurants for Baja-inspired cuisine and fresh seafood



Spot wildlife like harbor seals



Enjoy delicious Mexican plates



Watch the sun set over the vast ocean horizon



The California Coast gleams in the sunlight



Enjoy the ride on this epic road trip itinerary

Where to stay

[MarBrisa, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club](#) in Carlsbad is a family-friendly oasis featuring 18 villa buildings designed in the Spanish-Mediterranean style. Tired after a morning of surf lessons and an afternoon at LEGOLAND®? Here, you can lounge on a cabana by the pool, unwind in a hammock by the fire pits or pamper yourself at the full-service spa next door.



MarBrisa, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club has idyllic outdoor pools and cozy fire pits

Road Trip Tips

Stay Flexible



This means adding some wiggle room to your carefully crafted schedule.

California is known for its extensive freeway system – and, unfortunately, traffic delays. Plus, you may want to spend a few extra hours at unexpected destinations, such as the quaint Carmel-by-the-Sea or the quirky Hearst Castle.

Make a classic California playlist



There's no shortage of musicians who've been inspired by California livin' and lovin'. Frank Sinatra left his heart in San Francisco. The Doors' Jim Morrison paid tribute to the City of Angels in "L.A. Woman."

And The Beach Boys romanticized Southern California's favorite pastime in "Surfin' U.S.A."

Pack a cooler

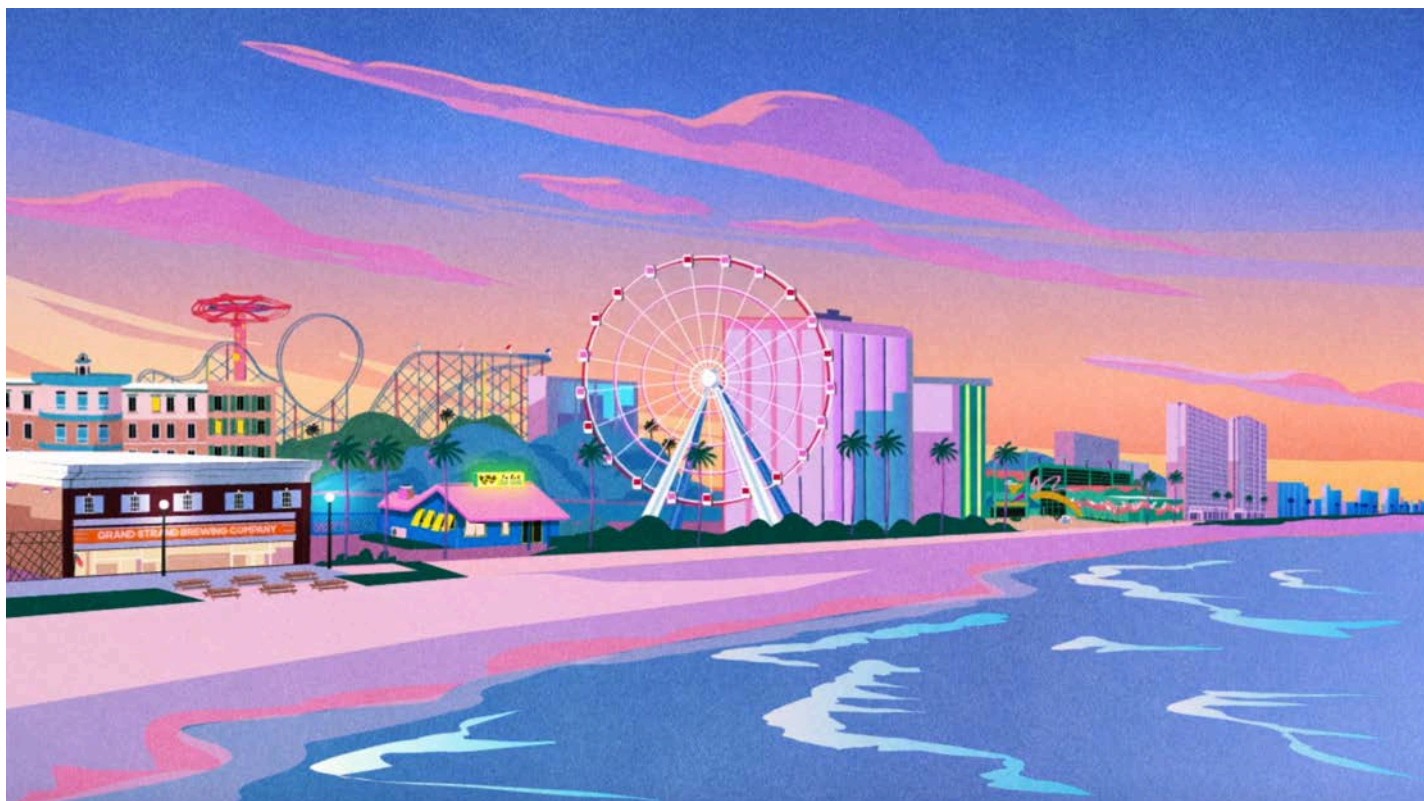


California has a reputation for healthy eating. Yet, there are also plenty of fast-food joints and convenience stores, which may be your only options off the highway. If you want more than beef jerky and pork rinds, visit a supermarket and fill a cooler with pre-cut veggies, hummus and sandwiches.

Myrtle Beach: The Atlantic's All Seasons Seaside

Discover why this South Carolina coastal resort city is the perfect destination – no matter the season

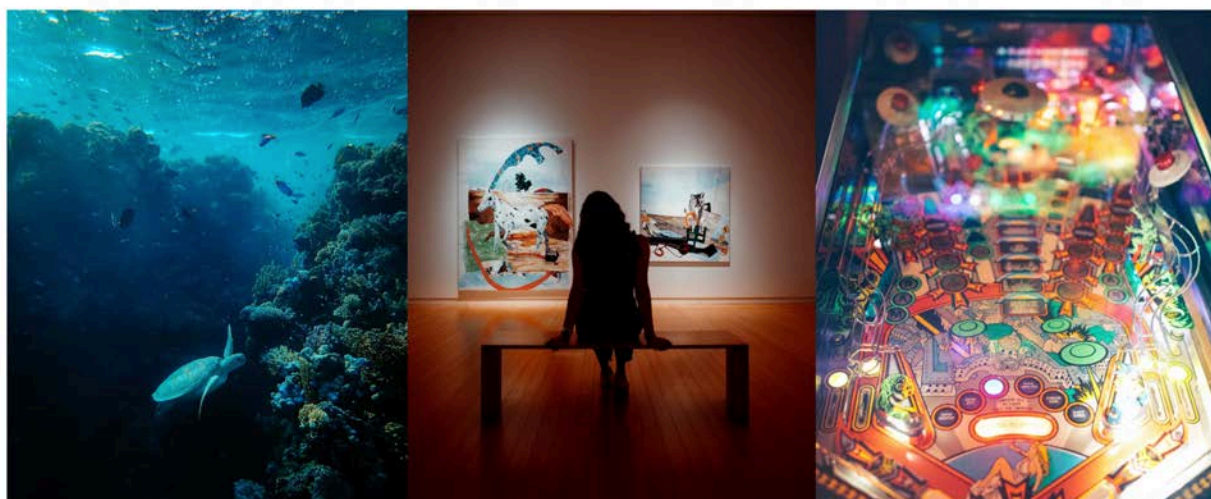
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America's favorite seaside escape offers more than just powdery sands. Stretching roughly 60 miles along the Atlantic Coast, Myrtle Beach is a dynamic resort city with a diverse mix of attractions and activities all year round. In the summer, travelers come from far and wide to soak up the sun, tuck in to fresh seafood and immerse themselves in nature – be it by kayaking in salt marshes or strolling through sculpture-filled gardens. And in the winter, the pleasant temperatures are ideal for long strolls along the boardwalk, visiting intriguing museums and snagging coveted reservations at top restaurants. And, if you're looking for the perfect vacation accommodations, you're in luck. Hilton Grand Vacations' oceanside resorts combine luxurious touches and family-friendly comforts – no trade-offs necessary.

If you're dreaming of a relaxing getaway to Myrtle Beach, take inspiration from our handy guide below.

See



From left to right: Ripley's Aquarium of Myrtle Beach, Seacoast Artists Gallery, and Myrtle Beach Pinball Museum

While we wouldn't begrudge anyone wishing to spend their days lounging on the sand, Myrtle Beach's many attractions are certainly not to be missed. At [Ripley's Aquarium of Myrtle Beach](#), visitors can glimpse a wide array of colorful sea creatures. Feeling brave? Explore the shark-filled Dangerous Reef in a glass-bottomed boat or visit the Touch Tank to get up close to horseshoe crabs and puffer fish.

Meanwhile, artistic types will want to check out the [Seacoast Artists Gallery](#). Situated in The [Market Common](#) lifestyle complex, the space

features original artworks by more than 70 local artists, spanning the mediums of photography, painting, pottery, sculpture and more. It also hosts classes and workshops for those seeking to hone their creative skills.

For a dose of nostalgia, swing by the [Myrtle Beach Pinball Museum](#). It's home to dozens of pinball machines dating from the 1970s through to the present day, which you can even try your hand at a game during your visit.

Do



From left to right: SkyWheel Myrtle Beach and Huntington Beach State Park

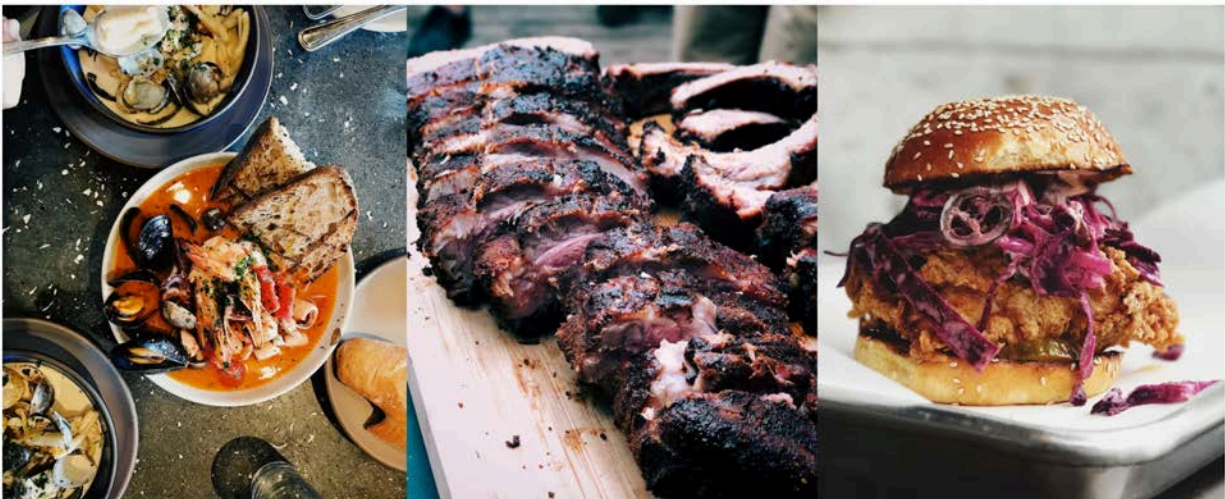
No trip to the Grand Strand is complete without strolling the [Myrtle Beach Boardwalk](#). The 1.2-mile, palm-tree-dotted stretch offers charming shops, seafood eateries and carnival rides – and, not to mention, glorious vistas of the Atlantic Ocean. Once you've gotten your steps in, take a ride on the nearly 200-foot-tall [SkyWheel Myrtle Beach](#) for a bird's-eye view of the surroundings.

Nature lovers will want to dedicate a day to exploring [Huntington Beach State Park](#), a 2,500-acre coastal preserve with freshwater lagoons, salt marshes, maritime forests and unspoiled beaches. Be sure to bring your binoculars: The park is widely considered one of the East Coast's top birding sites, with over 300 feathered species including herons, egrets, wood storks and bald eagles.

For more communing with nature, visit [Brookgreen Gardens](#), dubbed one of the top public gardens in the United States by Tripadvisor. This vast green space is brimming with unique flora and fauna, including 250-year-old oak trees. It also features an impressive collection of American figurative sculptures, including works by Anna Hyatt Huntington, co-founder of the gardens.

Seeing marine creatures in an aquarium is great, but nothing compares to seeing them in their natural environment. You can do just that at [Murrells Inlet](#), a fishing village where kayak tours take visitors through wildlife-rich salt marshes home to sea turtles, minks and even dolphins. Or, paddle the placid waters of the Waccamaw River, shaded by cypress trees draped in Spanish moss – look for ducks and otters along the way.

Eat



Don't miss the local seafood and barbecue at Myrtle Beach's best eateries

Myrtle Beach's culinary scene is as varied as it is delicious. Sure, the beach locale is renowned for its seafood, but there's also stellar barbecue, excellent Southern cuisine and hearty brunch fare to feast on.

Start your food tour at Murrells Inlet, which is known as the "Seafood Capital of South Carolina" for good reason. [Russell's Seafood Grill](#) is a long-standing establishment serving mouth-watering calamari and crab cakes, while [Inlet Crab House and Raw Bar](#) combines Southern flavors with Caribbean flair — order the steam pots, which come brimming with lobster tails, shrimp, clams, mussels and more.

For more Southern hospitality, make a reservation at the upscale [Aspen Grille](#). The menu here features refined dishes such as Cabernet-braised short ribs, seared New Bedford scallops and truffle mushroom risotto, often served against a backdrop of live jazz music.

Brunch aficionados will delight in the sugary confections — think rainbow-hued macarons and French toast with bananas, rum sauce and whipped cream — at [Croissants Bistro & Bakery](#), a favorite with locals and visitors alike. And for barbecue, there's only one stop in town you need to know: [Little Pigs Bar-B-Q](#), a no-frills joint serving family recipes including hickory-smoked pork sandwiches.

Drink

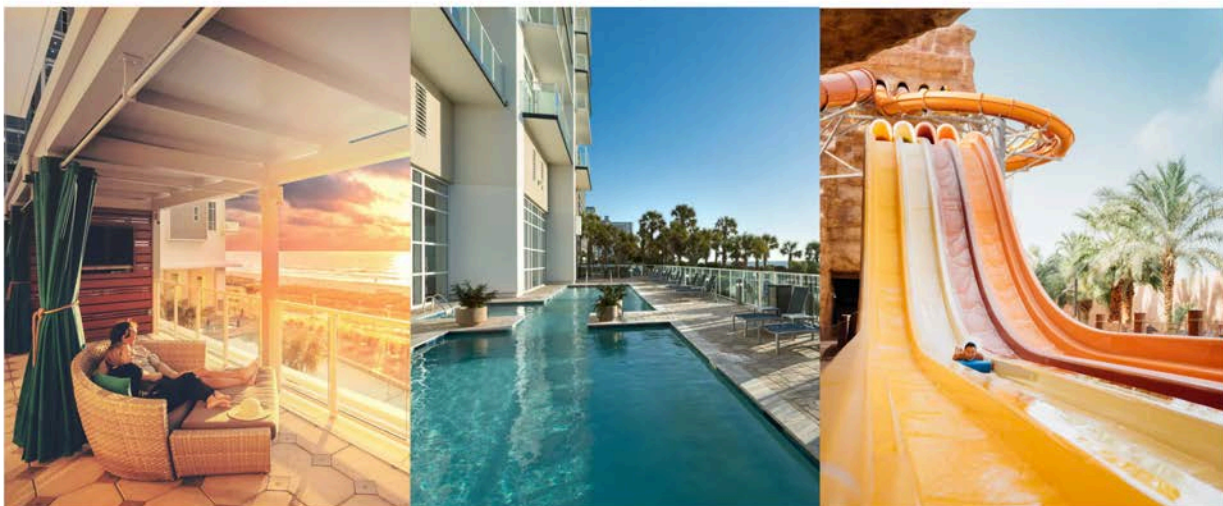


Myrtle Beach's bars are the perfect place to sample creative cocktails and craft beer

Shaken, stirred or smoked — bring your wildest drink requests to [Bar 19 Twelve](#), a creative cocktail bar in North Myrtle Beach. The trendy spot offers both indoor and outdoor seating, with a scenic terrace overlooking the Azalea Sands Golf Club. It's the perfect place to enjoy whimsical tipples paired with tasty small plates.

Big on beer? Head to [Grand Strand Brewing Company](#), an industrial-style watering hole in downtown Myrtle Beach that has a dozen craft brews on tap. If you prefer your drinks with a side of ocean views, check out [Tin Roof](#), a lively rooftop venue overlooking the boardwalk. Daily live music and happy-hour specials only add to the fun.

Stay



From left to right: Ocean Enclave, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club, Ocean 22 a Hilton Grand Vacations Club and Wild Water & Wheels

Make your base at [Ocean Enclave, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club](#), located only two blocks from the boardwalk and four blocks from SkyWheel Myrtle Beach. Despite its prime address, the resort provides a refuge from the hustle and bustle of downtown. Guests can enjoy a wide range of conveniences: Think a state-of-the-art fitness center, oceanfront and indoor pools and luxurious 1-, 2- and 3-Bedroom Suites with fully equipped kitchens, spacious living and dining areas and private balconies.

If you want to stay even closer to the beach, consider checking into [Ocean 22, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club](#). The seafront tower is situated right on the Grand Strand, so you can experience panoramic ocean vistas from the comfort of your 1-, 2- or 3-Bedroom Suite. In addition to an indoor pool, an outdoor pool and a kids' activity center, the property offers free entry to the [Wild Water & Wheels](#) water park and [Lost Mine Miniature Golf](#), so you'll have plenty to occupy the whole family.

Things to do with the kids



Surfside Beach

Located 15 minutes from Myrtle Beach, this low-key beach town is beloved by families thanks to its tranquil waters, lifeguard supervision and fun-filled games (tennis, bocce, shuffleboard and more). In 2016, it proclaimed itself as an autism-friendly travel destination, adding to its family-oriented reputation.



Family Kingdom

As the name suggests, this old-school institution on South Ocean Boulevard – which first opened in 1966 – draws visitors of all ages. Among the theme park's 38-plus rides are a wooden roller coaster, a log flume, a figure-eight driving track and a slingshot that shoots adrenaline junkies 100 feet in the air.



WonderWorks

This self-described "amusement park for the mind" features more than 100 hands-on exhibits that combine education and entertainment. Visitors can experience 84 mph hurricane-force winds, climb into a replica of a NASA spacecraft and learn about optical illusions in the interactive art gallery.

48 hours in ... Park City, Utah

From world-class skiing to strolling Park City's historic Main Street, fall and winter are a magical time in this charming mountain retreat

Day one 8 A.M.

Start your day by hitting the slopes bright and early. At [Sunrise Lodge, a Hilton Grand Vacations Club](#), you'll enjoy direct access to the base of the Sunrise ski lift. Take advantage of the resort's on-site ski valet where gear can be rented and stored, then choose from over 300 trails, six natural halfpipes and seven terrain parks for a morning of world-class skiing and snowboarding. Afterward, warm up with a dip in the hotel's heated outdoor pool.

11 A.M.

If you're here on the weekend, you can refuel with a hearty brunch at [Tupelo](#), where chef Matthew Harris celebrates artisanal, locally sourced ingredients. The menu features unpretentious but sophisticated dishes, including barbecue pork tenderloin with cheddar grits, mustard greens and peach glaze, as well as roasted Idaho rainbow trout with hominy grits, farm greens and hot-sauce butter. The buttermilk biscuits with honey butter are also a must.

3 P.M.

Head south for a stroll along Park City's vibrant Main Street, located in the heart of town. You can pick up a pair of cowboy boots or handmade jewelry at the area's independent [boutiques](#), brush up on your mining and ski knowledge at the family-friendly [Park City Museum](#) and savor an afternoon cup of matcha, chai or Coconut Custard (a fragrant rooibos tea blend with creamy coconut) at [Atticus Coffee, Books & Teahouse](#).

7 P.M.

Stroll back into town and make your way to the [Egyptian Theatre](#) for a live performance at one of Park City's most historic sites. Influenced by the discovery of King Tut's tomb and with construction supervised by an Egyptologist, the theater opened in 1926. Today, it plays host to everything from theatrical plays and musicals to comedy shows and rock concerts.



1 P.M.

Just down the road, you'll find [Kimball Art Center](#), Park City's creative hub since 1976. Catch the latest rotating exhibition in the center's striking temporary residence – a nearly 9,000-square-foot former warehouse with four beautiful, spacious galleries and 15-foot-high ceilings – while their new permanent home is being built. Would-be artists can try their hand at one of the many community classes on offer, including metalsmithing, tie-dye workshops and painting.

5 P.M.

It's time to tuck into an early dinner before the night's entertainment. [Handle](#), one of Park City's top tables, is just a stone's throw from Main Street. While wild game and juicy steaks are ubiquitous in this part of the country, this trendy spot serves creative, shareable small plates such as cauliflower with a sweet chili glaze, bucatini with mushroom bolognese and hamachi crudo with toasted breadcrumbs. They also shake up a stellar selection of playful cocktails.



Day two 8 A.M.

Get a healthy start at [FiveSeeds](#), a popular venue known for its fabulous Australian-style coffee, minimalist decor and fresh staples, including grain bowls and smoothies that help keep its patrons energized. Properly caffeinated, it's time to explore Park City's extensive trail system by fat-tire bike, which allows cyclists to slide over rocks, snow and tough terrain no matter the season. Many [outdoor outfitters](#) provide bike rentals, while local companies run an array of guided tours.

2 P.M.

Make the half-hour drive to [Utah Olympic Park](#) where the U.S. team made history during the 2002 Winter Games. Stop by the Eccles 2002 Olympic Winter Games Museum – part of the Alf Engen Ski Museum – to check out various interactive exhibits and watch the next generation of Olympic skiers and snowboarders training in the surrounding area. Then, experience the thrill as you hurtle down the official 2002 Olympic sliding track with a seasoned bobsled pilot.

6 P.M.

End your evening at [High West Saloon](#), the Old Town counterpart of the award-winning High West Distillery. The restaurant, which features a menu of rustic comfort food – think bison carne asada tacos, parmesan-crust pork schnitzel and fried chicken – operates on a first-come, first-served basis. If you need to pass some time, you can do so by sampling a flight of small-batch whiskeys at the bar.



11 A.M.

Pick up a picnic lunch from [Chop Shop Park City](#) – a go-to place in town for delectable charcuterie spreads – and climb aboard [Heber Valley Railroad's](#) historic steam locomotive for a scenic 90-minute ride that'll take you across the fields and farmlands of Heber Valley and along the shores of Deer Creek Reservoir. A variety of native wildlife including mule deer, bald eagles, foxes and elk may make an appearance during the trip, which will transport you back to the Golden Years of the country's railroading era when short-line railways were common in Utah.



4 P.M.

Just a few miles away, the adventure continues with a horse-drawn tour at [Park City Sleigh Rides](#). The roughly 30-minute journey through Willow Draw comes complete with blankets to keep you warm and toasty as you dash through the snow.





The Clubhouse

Everything you need to know about your Club membership this quarter, from travel updates to insider tips

HGV Max offers Members new destinations and experiences around the world

New Adventures Await

Most of you have already heard about HGV Max, which launched in April 2022. HGV Club Members who join HGV Max get to enjoy new benefits, including access to former Diamond Resorts properties in new destinations – including Hilton Vacation Club resorts in locations ranging from Arizona to Sint Maarten – plus a new HGV Max Reservation Window starting six months before check-out. Members with HGV Max benefits can start booking at these properties this quarter, so it’s time to start planning your next adventure. For a full list of properties, visit the [Club website](#).

To learn more about HGV Max, visit our [dedicated page on the Club website](#).



From left to right: Sedona Summit, a Hilton Vacation Club; Flamingo Beach, a Hilton Vacation Club; Royal Palm, a Hilton Vacation Club

Save Your Points

If you still have ClubPoints to spare, don’t worry – unused ClubPoints from 2022 can be carried over to 2023. The deadline to do so is December 31, 2022, at 11:59 p.m. ET.

Avoid the end-of-year rush by saving your Points early via the Club website or HGV mobile app, which can both be accessed 24 hours a day, seven days per week. Detailed step-by-step instructions can be found in the [July 2022 Club Traveler newsletter](#). If you wish to speak with a Club Counselor, please know that you may experience long wait times due to high call volumes.

Pay Your Dues

Assessment billing season is well underway. Assessment billing notices began posting to Member accounts online (via the Club website) or arriving by mail starting in October through December, depending on your Home Resort. For more information on paying your Club Dues and maintenance fees, please refer to the [September 2022 Club Traveler newsletter](#).

The deadline to pay your fees is January 1, 2023, at 11:59 p.m. ET. Be sure to make your payment before then so you may enjoy your upcoming vacation with HGV uninterrupted.



The Hilton Grand Vacations Tournament of Champions returns to Orlando in January

Mark Your Calendars

Golf fans, listen up: The highly anticipated Hilton Grand Vacations Tournament of Champions will once again be held at Lake Nona Golf & Country Club in Orlando from January 19–22, 2023. And as always, spectators will have plenty to look forward to. Besides watching former LPGA Tour winners play alongside approximately 50 celebrities, athletes and entertainers, you can also book an events package for exclusive access to live concerts featuring a stellar all-female lineup – headliners include timeless R&B icons En Vogue, Grammy-winning Country-Pop Star Maren Morris, Pop Superstar Ellie Goulding and Pop Culture Phenomenon Paris Hilton. Events packages require a Membership Review and can be booked through a Club Counselor.

The tournament will be televised nationally on NBC and Golf Channel, but there’s nothing quite like catching the action in person. Book your tickets now via the tournament’s [official website](#).



Happy to meet you

HGV Max Member Bruce G. from Tucson, Arizona, has been vacationing with Diamond Resorts – and now, Hilton Grand Vacations – for more than 25 years. Here, he tells us more about his recent travels to Utah’s Brian Head, Sedona and Orlando with his grandchildren.



A Record Year

We’re proud to share that 2022 was a record year for awards! HGV received 17 awards at the 2022 American Resort Development Association Awards.

HGV was also recognized for our positive workplace culture – named as one of *Newsweek’s* Top 100 Most Loved Workplaces™ 2022 for the second year in a row. The company placed fifth overall on the list, second in the hospitality category and is the top-rated company for being the “Most Value Driven.”

Your HGV by the Numbers

2022 has been a hugely successful year for HGV. Here's a look at some of our accomplishments since January:



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the number of Diamond Resorts we've rebranded as Hilton Vacation Club in 2022, making more destinations around the world available for Members to enjoy.



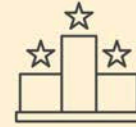
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of Team Members say that when they joined HGV, they were made to feel welcome and an important addition to the HGV team. We were also recognized as a Great Place to Work in 2022.



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number of awards *Club Traveler* magazine won in 2022, including 5 Eddie and Ozzie Awards in the fields of editorial excellence and outstanding design.



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our ranking on LinkedIn's Top Companies in Travel & Hospitality list for 2022, which helps professionals identify the best places to grow their careers.

Maximize Your Travels

Make the most of our Member-exclusive offers
and experiences

Discover the breathtaking natural beauty
of destinations like the Pacific Northwest

As a Hilton Grand Vacations Club Member, you not only get access to more than 60 resorts within the Club network – you’re also entitled to a wide array of exclusive offers, from discounted shopping and flights to complimentary airport transfers. In addition, our ClubPartner Perks give you opportunities to enjoy immersive travel experiences all around the globe. Read on to discover some of these great benefits.



HGV Everyday gives Club Members discounts and special offers from some of your favorite brands

Everyday discounts

Shopping just got more affordable – and more exciting – with HGV Everyday, a new benefit that provides Club Members with discounts and special offers on a wide variety of products and services. On the [HGV Everyday page](#), you can browse offers from many popular brands curated just for you. Simply select the offer you’d like to redeem, and you’ll be redirected to the brand’s website to complete your purchase. New discounts are added regularly, so keep checking the platform for the best deals.

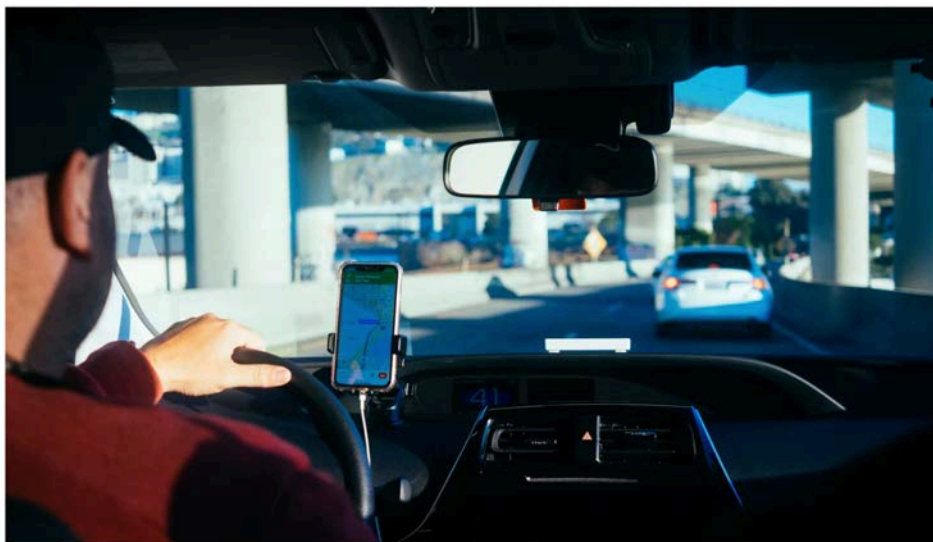
At this time, only U.S.-based retailers are participating in the program, but we’re looking into ways to expand it to Club Members residing elsewhere. As the program expands, we’ll be sure to notify you through your monthly *Club Traveler* newsletter and on the Club website.



Start planning your next trip to Hawaii with discounted flights through your Club membership

Flights

Planning to visit the Aloha State soon? Make Hawaiian Airlines your carrier of choice. Club Members can enjoy year-round discounts on Hawaiian Airlines' web fares between North America and Hawaii. Plus, if you have any unused Bonus Points, you can convert them into HawaiianMiles for flights to and among the islands. More details can be found on the [Club website](#).



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Airport transfers

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Adventure travel

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Top Year-End Getaways

Five enticing destinations to visit this fall and winter with RCI



With RCI, you have a world of possibilities at your fingertips — so why not see where your next adventure takes you? Be it the placid lakes of Ontario or the sun-kissed shores of Sint Maarten, now's the perfect time to plan some fall or winter globetrotting. Just dream big, pack your passport and take your pick from these unforgettable destinations.

Jamaica

Known for its glorious beaches and vibrant culture, the island of Jamaica offers the ideal tropical getaway. Move to the beat of reggae music, hike the rugged trails of Blue Mountain Peak and tuck into flavor-packed Caribbean cuisine. Sip a cup of local coffee or sample some of the finest rum the world has to offer. Reel in your prize catch and have an incredible adventure with deep-sea fishing off the coast. And the best part? You can do it all while basking in the warm Jamaican sunshine, even during the fall and winter months.

To top it off, RCI gives you access to all-inclusive resorts in some of Jamaica's trendiest neighborhoods. This means you get all the food, drinks and fun you could ever want — at a single price.

Sint Maarten

Nestled between the Virgin Islands and Antigua is another warm-weather Caribbean escape. Sint Maarten is the Dutch southern portion of Saint Martin (the northern French section is known as Saint-Martin). Here, you can try your luck at a high-rolling casino, browse local boutiques, dance the night away or simply lounge on the soft sands. Speaking of beaches, be sure to visit Maho Beach, which is so close to the airport that you can watch planes soar past directly overhead — it's a truly spectacular sight.

Málaga, Spain

Málaga is a timeless Mediterranean city in the south of Spain, with a history dating back nearly 3,000 years. While there are plenty of museums and ancient sites to explore, the locale also boasts a thriving modern art scene — check out Museo Picasso Málaga to learn more about the famous painter. The winter months may be a little too chilly for swimming, but the picturesque beaches are always worth a visit. After strolling along the shore, head to the famous Castillo de Gibralfaro, built more than 1,000 years ago, for a bird's-eye view of the city.

Collingwood, Ontario, Canada

When it comes to fall foliage, it's hard to beat the kaleidoscope of colors that can be found in the Ontario town of Collingwood. Hike the Georgian Trail or rent a car through RCI and drive through Georgian Bay's famous "fall color routes" for the best views of the changing leaves. Of course, there's plenty to do in the winter as well. Sample the local craft-beer scene, enjoy some world-class skiing or explore the town's charming shops and restaurants.

Jackson Hole, Wyoming, United States

Tucked away in the Rocky Mountains is the resort community of Jackson Hole, named for its rugged mountain valley landscape. Venture to nearby Grand Teton National Park for a day exploring alpine trails turning golden with the season, go wildlife spotting in the National Elk Refuge or hit the slopes and ski or snowboard to your heart's content. After a day out in the stunning natural surroundings, book a table at one of the town of Jackson's fine dining restaurants and finish with a nightcap at a local cocktail bar – you'll be spoiled for choice of charming spots.

Whether you choose the sun-soaked shores of Jamaica or the breathtaking fall foliage in Canada — or anywhere in between — your fall or winter getaway is sure to create memories that last well beyond the season.

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