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Pictured here are Kelli and her husband, Ryan — who own multiple weeks — with their two children, Kinsey and Dylan. The photograph was taken on a side-by-side caravan ride on Kauai during the Cobles' two-week Interval exchange vacation in the Aloha State. Have any vacation memories you'd like to share? Post them on Facebook or Instagram using the hashtag #VacationPerfection and inspire others to find their perfect escape.

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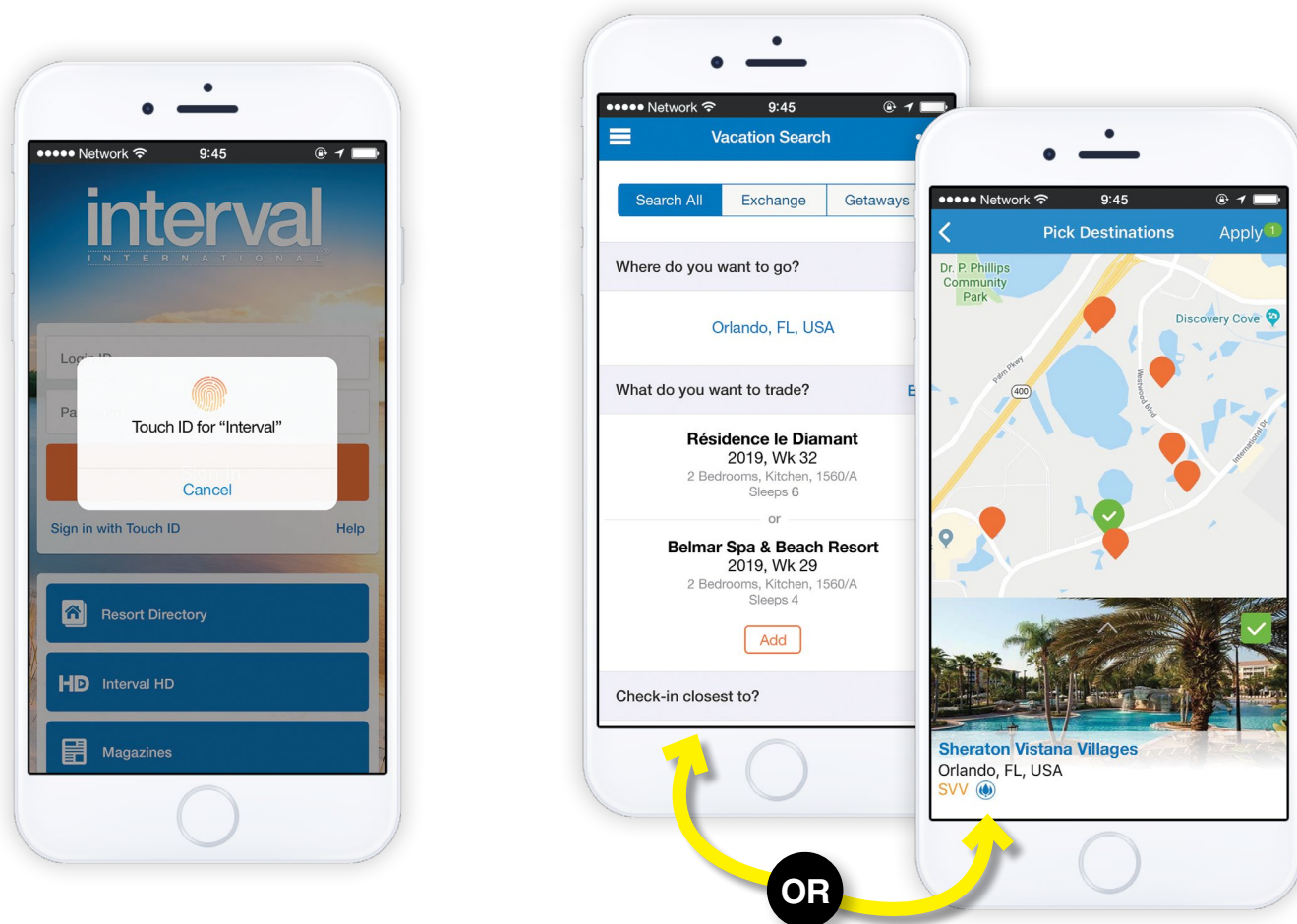
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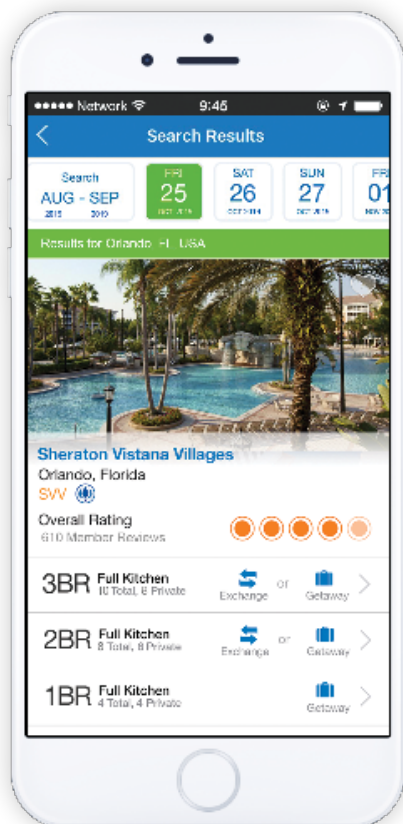
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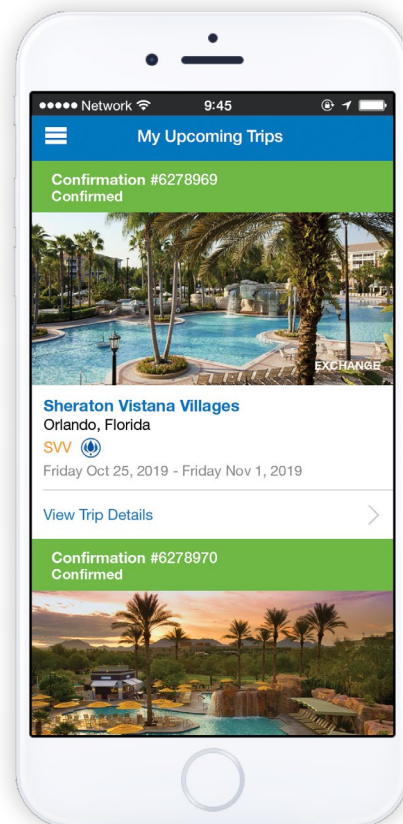
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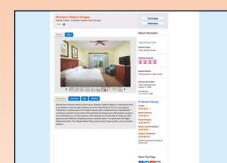
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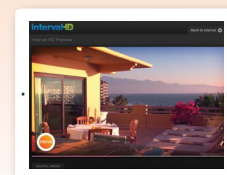
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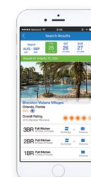


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A Q&A With  
**Kevin Wutzler**

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INVENTORY REVENUE MANAGEMENT

Understanding inventory — the resort weeks in Interval's system — is tantamount to understanding the exchange process. Kevin Wutzler, who has been with Interval for 28 years, is here to answer our questions.

### Why is it so important for weeks-based members to deposit and then place a request?

The best chance of being confirmed into the resort and time period a member wants is achieved through Interval's pending request process. As new weeks enter the system from member and developer deposits, the weeks are first assigned to pending requests *before* being assigned to members shopping for an instant confirmation on [intervalworld.com](http://intervalworld.com). It's also

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important to place requests as early as possible — up to two years in advance of your travel date. This gives us more time to find a suitable match — using our comparable exchange concept — when new deposits enter the system.

### How is a member's trading power increased by depositing their week as early as possible?

When using Deposit First, early member deposits give us more time to ensure that the inventory is fully utilized and optimized to satisfy exchange requests. This translates into a member's week having increased value in the exchange system, which in turn, is passed along to the depositing member in the form of increased trading power, which is similar to buying power. And increased trading power means members have a greater chance at getting the exchange they're after.

### OK, we talked about Deposit First. Why would a member opt for Request First instead?

Request First allows members to shop the Interval network for exactly what they want, all the while retaining their home resort usage right or points until they find what they're looking for *and* receive a confirmation. I like to think of it as when I was a kid trading baseball cards with my friends: I would never have given up one of my Reggie Jackson cards without knowing exactly what I was getting in return!

### With summer approaching, where will you be going with your family?

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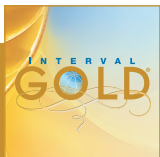
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## Atlantic City, New Jersey UNDER THE BOARDWALK

Atlantic City is dazzling enough with its famous boardwalk lined with glitzy casinos — but it's far more than a gaming hotspot. And summer is the ideal time to discover what lies beyond the poker tables. So, aside from getting to play a hand or two, here are three reasons to visit the Entertainment Capital of the Jersey Shore during the warmer months of the year.

- ATLANTIC CITY VEGAN FOOD FESTIVAL** — Learn about the plant-based lifestyle — and how delicious it can be — at the second annual Atlantic City Vegan Food Festival. Taking place July 12 to 14, the two-day event includes a food truck party and a 5K/10K run along the boardwalk, plus guest speakers and cooking demonstrations during the main vendor showcase at the Showboat Atlantic City hotel. From chocolate brownies and pork-less barbecue sliders to artisanal bath and body products, enjoy all things herbivorous — even if just for a weekend. Admission is free for children 13 and under.
- ATLANTIC CITY INTERNATIONAL AIR SHOW** — Pick a spot on the beach along the boardwalk for a front-row view of the spectacular aerial maneuvers performed right above you. Usual participants of the Atlantic City International Air Show, happening Aug. 21, include the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds, as well as the Canadian Forces Snowbirds and the U.S. Army Golden Knights. You may also get to see parachute demonstrations and a thrilling race between the Miss GEICO catamaran and one of the GEICO Skytypers Airshow Team's vintage WWII aircraft.
- TENNESSEE AVENUE BEER HALL** — Sip on an ice-cold brew and spend the afternoon playing arcade games at this newly opened beer hall, located mere steps from the beach. There are more than 100 craft beers to choose from, on draft and by the bottle, as well as creative cocktails and a food menu curated by local chef Charles Soreth. House specialties include lobster tater tots, a soft pretzel served with mustard and beer-cheese sauce, a Black Angus burger topped with caramelized onions and Gruyere, and a bacon-wrapped hot dog with avocado puree and *pico de gallo*.



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## WILLIAMSBURG, VIRGINIA THRILLING HEIGHTS AND DEPTHS

Kick up the exhilaration factor with two new rides at Williamsburg's theme parks: At Busch Gardens, admire the view from 80 feet above ground while swinging higher and higher as Finnegan's Flyer's pendulum-style arms propel you back and forth at 45 mph. And, at Water Country USA, Busch Gardens' sister park, check out the Cutback Water Coaster, a jet-propelled slide featuring four-person rafts that drop through steep 850-foot-long winding tunnels in between saucer-like open spaces.

## LAS VEGAS, NEVADA SENSORY TRAVEL MAGIC

Kind Heaven is a virtually immersive encounter unlike anything else on The Strip, and will welcome its first audiences at The Linq Promenade late this summer. Co-created by Jane's Addiction frontman and Lollapalooza co-founder Perry Farrell, this 360-degree, multisensory entertainment venture transports visitors to the many worlds of Southeast Asia, allowing them to see, hear, touch, taste, and even smell their voyage. The masterminds behind the attraction have designed special effects and wearable technologies to create customized journeys for each guest. The experience shifts from day to night — by day, holograms and animated animals will leave kids in awe as they learn about new cultures, and at night, Kind Heaven transforms into an adult playground, complete with nightclubs, street performers, and sake bombs.

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## Vail, Colorado WHISTLE STOP

Whistle Pig Vail is back for its sophomore year in the Rockies, rewarding music lovers with a summer-long run of headliner concerts at the Gerald R. Ford Amphitheater. The series brings celebrated rock, pop, country, and bluegrass bands with intergenerational appeal for shows from June through September. For the curious, "whistle pig" is a nickname for a type of marmot or woodchuck that gets its moniker from its high-pitched whistle when alarmed. While they've been spotted around the amphitheater for years, they will probably hightail it underground during the shows.





## OUT OF THE BOX

Boxi Park, a one-of-a-kind entertainment district made entirely of repurposed shipping containers, has made its home at Lake Nona Town Center. The 30,000-square-foot open-air venue includes two bars, a beer garden, an outdoor stage, beach volleyball courts, a fenced dog park, and a kids' playground. The park also features a food hall concept, with a varying lineup of restaurants showcasing multiple cuisines. Regular onstage programming is scheduled on weekdays and weekends, and complimentary parking is available.



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## BACKSTAGE ACCESS

Get a behind-the-scenes look at the white rhinoceroses that live inside Disney's Animal Kingdom. You may have already seen them on the park's Kilimanjaro Safaris tour, but this new 60-minute experience, called Up Close With Rhinos, delves deeper into the history of the world's second-largest land mammal, as well as the conservation efforts to keep it from extinction. You'll also see how the park takes care of the rhinos — and you may even get close enough to pet one!

### GRAPE-STOMPING FUN

Join in the winemaking process at Lakeridge Winery & Vineyard's SummerFest Grape Stomp, where you can dance barefoot while crushing grapes inside a barrel. Held June 8 and 9 at the vineyard in Clermont (about a 35-minute drive from Orlando), this weekend celebration features live music on an outdoor stage and inside the winery. While you're there, take advantage of the complimentary winery tours and tastings, and finish off the day at Lakeridge's food pavilion, where you can get their wine by the glass along with a cheese plate, or order a heartier meal.

# 0-Town EATS

Trade in chopsticks for your hands at **Sticky Rice**, a Laotian street-food joint that serves traditional Southeast Asian cuisine in paper boats.

**THE SETTING:** Located in an unassuming strip mall about 10 minutes from downtown Orlando, Sticky Rice operates as a counter-service eatery, with a handful of long, wooden tables and metal stools. A mural of a three-headed elephant is painted along one of the concrete walls inside the restaurant, symbolic of both Buddhism and the Laotian national animal. Rolls of paper towels are placed as table centerpieces so patrons can eat freely with their hands.

**THE MENU:** The selection of small plates is perfect for sharing and trying a variety of Laotian favorites — and everything is under \$10! The go-to here is the restaurant's namesake dish, which is served with two dips: *jaew bong* (a sweet chili paste with pork skin) and *jaew som* (an acidic lime and chili sauce). You also can include sticky rice with other menu items, or opt for crisp lettuce wraps — for the *laab gai* (chopped chicken with herbs), for example. Lemongrass pork sausage, beef meatball skewers marinated in a sweet chili sauce, spicy papaya salad, and pork tapioca dumplings are all a must-try. For dessert, choose between the mango sticky rice topped with coconut cream, or sweet purple rice served in a bamboo stem with coconut gelato.

**THE PARTICULARS:** Sticky Rice is open every Monday through Saturday, from 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m., and on Sundays from 11:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. For more information, call 321-800-6532.







### MAUI CINEMA PARADISO!

The Maui Film Festival is celebrating its 20th anniversary on the Valley Isle. Unlike your typical film festival, the event — taking place June 12 to 16 — sparkles under the night sky with gastronomic happenings, tributes to Hollywood luminaries, and international film premieres at inventive open-air venues, such as the Celestial Cinema at the Wailea Gold and Emerald Golf Course and the Wailea Beach Toes-in-the-Sand Cinema. The fest kicks off with the Taste of Summer launch party, featuring creatively crafted cocktails and cuisine, and plays host to the

Taste of Chocolate and Taste of Wailea culinary spectacles. Special passes are available, with various combinations of gourmet tasting receptions, VIP seating, and special film screenings.

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## RIVIERA NAYARIT

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Sea turtles will be taking over the shores of Platanitos Beach for the seventh annual Festival de la Tortuga Marina (Sea Turtle Festival) in July. Coinciding with the start of sea turtle-release season, this family-friendly celebration — which promotes the conservation of this endangered species — features free cultural and recreational activities, including a turtle-hatchling release, live music, and food vendors. But plan time to meander around the area: The tranquil beach is great for swimming and body surfing, and the local restaurants serve delicious seafood.



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This unique experience with Club La Costa Yacht Club features a seven-day itinerary, embarking on Tortola and then sailing to islands including Norman Island, Cooper Island, and Virgin Gorda. As well as meals, several water sports are included, giving guests the opportunity to participate in activities from sailing and snorkeling to diving and flying over the water on a wakeboard. Alternatively, guests can simply relax on deck with a good book and a cocktail in hand. And, on the upper deck, there's an air-conditioned saloon with panoramic views, a state-of-the-art galley with a well-stocked bar, an indoor dining area, a plasma-screen TV with a DVD player, and plenty of indoor and outdoor lounge space.

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\*\*Offer valid through Dec. 31, 2019. For terms and conditions, and for more Getaway offers, turn to page 74.



## Dublin, Ireland MORE THAN JUST AN ADDRESS

Curiosity about the past is driving crowds to Henrietta Street in Dublin, where a new, eponymous museum opened in late 2018. Accessible solely through a guided tour,



14 Henrietta Street grants you access into the actual site of tenement living in the Irish capital. Here, through photos, videos, and an intimate, guide-led trek inside the three-story building, you'll see how grand 18th-century Georgian townhouses devolved into the city's infamous tenement dwellings. You'll also learn the stories of the people who lived there, from the lords and ladies to the workers and renters.



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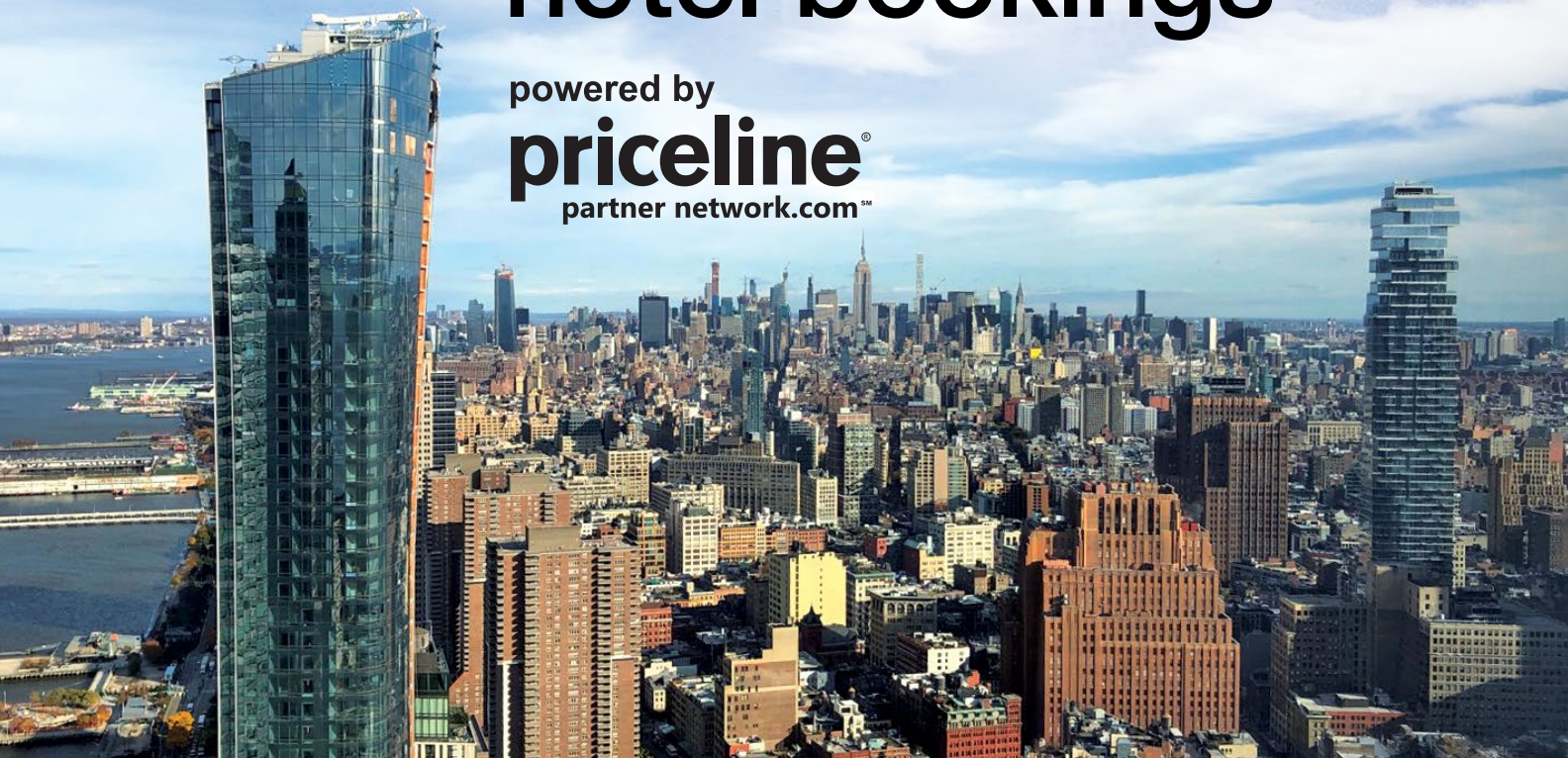
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\*Source: Cruise Lines International Association's 2018 Cruise Industry Outlook

\*\*Source: Interval International's 2018 Membership Profile research

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# Westward Expansion

It's been 20 years since Carnival Cruise Line placed a new ship on the West Coast as its home port, but when the *Carnival Panorama* launches in December 2019, it'll be worth the wait.



## WHO'S IT FOR?

The newest ship in Carnival's lineup is family-friendly, with plenty of onboard entertainment for kids and adults alike, from minigolf to crowd-pleasing stage shows. And to better accommodate families, the Family Harbor section of the ship features larger staterooms and a designated lounge with a daily breakfast buffet and afternoon snacks, as well as a selection of kid-friendly video games.

## WHAT'S FOR DINNER?

The *Carnival Panorama* is a Vista-class ship (the largest in the fleet), so you can expect a full roster of restaurants that cater to every dining whim. Carnival-tested faves are part of the recipe, running from Guy Fieri's casual barbecue and burger offerings to the upscale Fahrenheit 555 Steakhouse. For experiential dining, book in advance for a galley tour followed by a multicourse dinner at The Chef's Table, or reserve an up-front view at Bonsai Teppanyaki.

## HOW TO SPEND THE DAYS AT SEA?

Delight in unparalleled ocean views while pedaling on the popular SkyRide bike track suspended above the top deck, or take in the rush of the exhilarating SkyCourse ropes course. In addition to the refreshing pools on deck, you can enjoy splashing around at the WaterWorks water park, with its spiraling Twister waterslide. Grown-ups can have their own fun at the Havana complex, with a pool, lounge, and bar; the

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## HOW TO SPEND THE DAYS IN PORT?

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## CRUISE NEWS BRIEFS

### A-O-CAY

Royal Caribbean's private island—port day is a favorite among many seafaring fans. And for those who wish they could enjoy more adventure on one of these exclusive retreats, the cruise line's new Perfect Day Island Collection is the answer. First up is Perfect Day at CocoCay in the Bahamas. Here's a taste of what's to come:

- An all-new arrivals plaza, replete with live music, a zip line, a shipwrecked galleon with water cannons, Captain Jack's restaurant, and the Sprayaway Geyser, which launches water some 82 feet into the sky.
- Thrill Waterpark, which sits at the heart of the island and offers a variety of watery fun — from twisting tube rides to the tallest waterslide in all of North America.
- The Oasis Lagoon, boasting the largest freshwater pool in the Caribbean with three unique coves to explore, a swim-up bar, and private cabanas.
- The Up, Up and Away balloon attraction, which soars 450 feet above the action.
- Coco Beach Club, delivering an upscale experience featuring the only overwater cabanas anywhere in the Bahamas.



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### JOY IN ALASKA

There's something other than coffee brewing in the Pacific Northwest. Two of Norwegian Cruise Line's newest ships are teaming up in Seattle, Washington, to deliver unique Alaskan itineraries coupled with cutting-edge onboard entertainment and dining options — including a Starbucks. Beginning in summer 2019, the \$50-million newly enhanced *Norwegian Joy* will join sister ship *Norwegian Bliss* in offering seven-night cruises to popular Alaska destinations. *Norwegian Joy*'s presence will allow the cruise line to vary the ports of call between the ships, and offer a wider range of choices for those looking to experience The Last Frontier's unrivaled natural beauty.



### A NIEUW MASTERPIECE



Holland America Line's *Nieuw Statendam* is the second Pinnacle-class ship and the latest luxury addition to the fleet. The arts take center stage here, with standout offerings that include the BBC Earth Experiences program, which wows guests with performances and presentations in the liner's multilevel World Stage; the *Rolling Stone* Rock Room, where iconic bands come to life; and America's Test Kitchen, a culinary spectacle featuring live cooking shows and workshops. The cruise line's dedication to the arts transpires through the vessel's "artfully inspired" design, where a team of more than 150 renowned artists was tasked with creating a contemporary motif throughout the ship with musical instruments as their inspiration.



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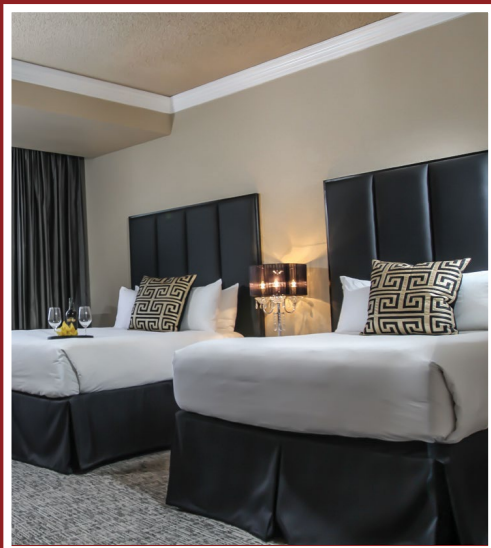


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# Hall Yes!

BY REBECA PICCARDO

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**You pace the grounds of a renovated warehouse with floor-to-ceiling windows and exposed brick walls, taking in the mix of aromas emanating from various food stalls.** The more you look, the harder it gets to decide whether you want a bowl of lamb curry from one vendor or an assortment of sashimi from another, while also eyeing that plate of chicken and waffles someone at a nearby table is eating. One thing is certain: There's something for everyone, and that's a victory for eaters all around.

Most food halls feature communal dining spaces with a carefully curated selection of vendors — a mix of well-known talents and local startups — all cooking under one roof. Beyond the appeal of a unique dining experience in a distinctive setting, several of these venues also showcase live bands and DJs, and host cooking workshops, wine tastings, and so much more. Many are located in mixed-used developments that have become de facto entertainment hubs. No two are the same, so each of these — all within Interval resort areas — is definitely worth a visit.





## ANAHEIM PACKING HOUSE: PROHIBITION-ERA FEEL

**Lay of the Land:** In Anaheim, California, this two-story food hall opened in 2014 in a restored 20th-century warehouse that once served as a Sunkist citrus-packing plant. (The logo is still on the sign at the entrance.) Only 2 miles from Disneyland Park, the landmark structure now houses more than 20 vendors covering a range of cuisines — from American comfort food to wood-fired Neapolitan pizza to authentic Syrian fare. The complex is also home to a handful of restaurants — including the popular Umami Burger — and two breweries in the adjacent buildings.

**The Game Plan:** Leave your diet behind: Dip goat cheese-filled naan into a steaming bowl of curry at Adya, munch on crispy fish and chips at The Chippy Fish & Grill, and sink your teeth into a Cap'n Crunch waffle sundae at The Iron Press. And with seven different types of poutine

on the menu, you just can't miss indulging at The Kroft. Then head over to Popbar to choose between a gelato, sorbet, or yogurt ice pop to dip, drizzle, and sprinkle with your favorite toppings.

**Wow Factor:** Step back in time at The Blind Rabbit speakeasy — that is, if you're able to find the secret door. Or grab a drink at the BXCR (also known as The Underground Wine Society), located inside a refurbished 1920s railroad boxcar.

**Off-Menu:** Anaheim Packing House regularly showcases live bands, from country to rock to rhythm and blues. It also hosts jazz nights on the first and third Thursday of every month inside the Cooks Chapel event venue.

**Also Try:** Windmill Food Hall in Carlsbad, as well as Little Italy Food Hall and Liberty Public Market in San Diego



ANAHEIM PACKING HOUSE





THE HALL ON FRANKLIN

### THE HALL ON FRANKLIN: AT YOUR SERVICE

**Lay of the Land:** Tampa, Florida's first food hall opened in late 2017 inside a yellow-brick building from the 1920s, in one of the city's oldest neighborhoods. Offerings include cute latte art, Liège (sweet Belgian-style) waffles, fancy grilled-cheese combinations, and colorful poke bowls.

**The Game Plan:** Start the evening with a cocktail from local mixologist Ro Patel's bar, Collection. Order the signature stinky bunz (filled bao, or dumpling sliders) from North Star Eatery, and share a half-dozen raw oysters from Heights Fish Camp, served with lemon wedges and mignonette sauce in a plastic pipette. Finish off with a dessert from Bake'n Babes, whose quirky confections include Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal-milk ice cream and Irish car bomb cupcakes.

**Wow Factor:** Unlike most other food halls, The Hall on Franklin offers sit-down table service in addition to counter service, and you can order from any — or all — of the seven "taste architects" from your chair.

**Off-Menu:** The Hall on Franklin hosts DJs and other special events, such as silent parties — where you dance to music on wireless headphones.

**Also Try:** Heights Public Market, just a half-mile from The Hall on Franklin

### BLOCK 16 URBAN FOOD HALL: EAST COAST MEETS WEST COAST

**Lay of the Land:** The Cosmopolitan of Las Vegas in Nevada, known for its impressive collection of dining venues, introduced six restaurants — some of which were new to the region — when it opened Block 16 Urban Food Hall in late 2018. The list of vendors includes a New York-based mezcal and tequila bar, a Portland-based eatery by a James Beard Award-winning chef, and two popular restaurants from New Orleans, Louisiana, and Nashville, Tennessee.

**The Game Plan:** Begin with a visit to Ghost Donkey for a sip of tequila, and snack on an order of truffle nachos. Once you've worked up an appetite, stop at chef Andy Ricker's famous Pok Pok Wing and try Ike's Vietnamese fish-sauce wings, which were featured in an episode of Guy Fieri's *Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives*. Be sure to leave room for one of the daily flavors at District: Donuts. Sliders. Brew.

**Off-Menu:** You're just steps away from all the casinos along The Strip, so that's a no-brainer!

**Also Try:** Fulton Street Food Hall at Harrah's Las Vegas Hotel and Casino



BLOCK 16 URBAN FOOD HALL



## ST. ROCH MARKET: THE GRANDFATHER OF FOOD HALLS

**Lay of the Land:** New Orleans' St. Roch Market has existed in some way, shape, or form since the 1870s. Originally a state-owned, open-air market, this historic venue later became a privately owned seafood merchant until it was nearly destroyed during Hurricane Katrina in 2005. A decade after being shuttered, St. Roch Market reopened as an upscale food hall with the intent of bringing in vendors who are testing out new ideas before venturing out with stand-alone restaurants.

**The Game Plan:** Satisfy your Southern seafood cravings with golden-brown crab cakes, oysters on the half-shell, gumbo, and shrimp and grits. If you're after variety, Vietnamese pho (rice-noodle soup), Haitian street food, and veggie-centric options, such as avocado toast, kale salad, and an array of quinoa bowls, are a must-try. Stop by The Mayhaw for an inventive craft cocktail, and don't miss their weekday happy hour for \$6 drink specials.

**Other Locations:** In 2018, St. Roch Market opened its second location in Miami, Florida, and is looking to open a third outpost in Nashville.

**Also Try:** Auction House Market (from the same operator as St. Roch Market) and Phythian Market, both in New Orleans

## 1-800-LUCKY: FLAVORS OF ASIA

**Lay of the Land:** Set in Miami's trendy Wynwood neighborhood, this food hall features seven vendors — handpicked from Japan, New York, California, and South Florida — that cover a wide range of Asian cuisines, including dim sum, sushi, ramen, and banh mi (Vietnamese-style baguette sandwich).

**The Game Plan:** A bowl of pork ramen from Hayato Miami or an ahi tuna poke bowl from Poke OG is a must, but don't leave without trying the soup dumplings from Yip and the Peking duck buns from Lotus + Cleaver. Wash your meal down with a frozen Kirin Ichiban beer. (This is one of only two places in Florida that serve it.) On your way out, stop by Taiyaki NYC, located on the outside terrace, for a swirl of matcha ice cream topped with a strawberry drizzle and served in an adorable fish-shaped cone — it's totally Instagramable!

**Off-Menu:** There's a vinyl record shop and a convenience store by the entrance, plus a karaoke room for private parties. The venue regularly hosts local DJs and transforms the outdoor dining terrace into a dance floor.

**Also Try:** La Centrale at Brickell City Centre in downtown Miami and St. Roch Market's outpost in the Miami Design District

## EATALY: EAT LIKE AN ITALIAN

**Lay of the Land:** This Italian-themed food emporium started out in 2007 in an old vermouth factory in Turin, Italy. Now, Eataly is a global brand, with more than 40 locations around the world, including Florence and Bari in Italy, and Chicago, Illinois, and Boston, Massachusetts, in the U.S.



**The Game Plan:** The offerings vary per location, but in general, Eataly's specialized restaurants and quick-service counters are dedicated to pasta, pizza, seafood, meat, cheese, and seasonal vegetables. No matter what you dine on, you're guaranteed fresh Italian eats accompanied by fine Italian wines.

**Off-Menu:** This is more than a food hall — it's a hybrid model that's part grocery store and part artisanal marketplace. It also hosts cooking courses and wine tastings.

**Other Locations:** Check out Paris' newly opened Eataly at the Galeries Lafayette, which holds the exclusive franchise rights in France. The three-story food hall includes seven restaurants, a courtyard fruit and vegetable market, cafes, and a wine cellar. And on the high seas, get a taste of Eataly aboard select ships on MSC Cruises. See page 84 for more details.

## GOURMAND FOOD HALL: WORLDLY TASTES

**Lay of the Land:** Gourmand Food Hall, which bills itself as "Argentina's first food hall," opened in late 2016 inside the Patio Bullrich shopping mall in Buenos Aires. It features several French elements, including a bistro, a meat and cheese mart, and a boulangerie (French-style bakery) and patisserie (pastry shop). It also has an Italian restaurant, a rotisserie counter, a sushi and oyster bar, a sommelier-led wine bar, and a burger joint and beer hall.

**The Game Plan:** Here you're covered from breakfast to dinner. Order a *pain au chocolat* (chocolate roll) with coffee in the morning to kick-start your day of shopping; indulge in an Angus-burger-and-lager pairing before catching a matinee upstairs at the movie theater; and finish your night with a grilled octopus appetizer followed by a duck magret entree.

**Off-Menu:** Shop for sweet souvenirs at Le Marché (the market), where you'll find an array of international and national artisanal products. Gourmand Food Hall regularly offers culinary classes, special multi-course dinners, and wine tastings, and hosts the annual Gourmand Taste Festival. ■



PASTIME

# As Scene on Screen

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WHILE CGI CAN CREATE STUNNING  
ON-SCREEN LANDSCAPES, SOME REAL-WORLD  
ELEMENTS JUST CAN'T BE BEAT.

BY SAMANTHA MONAHAN



HANAPEPE VALLEY;  
KAUAI, HAWAII; *JURASSIC PARK*





DOUNE CASTLE; STIRLING DISTRICT, SCOTLAND;  
*GAME OF THRONES*

he best cinematography is transformative. The scenery it captures in your favorite movie or TV show can create a sense of adoration or nostalgia. Though the imagination comes to life in front of the green screen, movie magic is often made in a natural setting *outside* of the studio. Revisiting these incredible panoramas in person puts you right in the action — *sans* lights and cameras. Here, we highlight filming locations throughout the world that offer a variety of fan experiences. Snap that must-have selfie at the location of your favorite TV scene, or take a tour of iconic movie sites. And these attractions are all within easy reach of Interval resort areas.

### PTERODACTYL'S-EYE VIEW

On an island in the central Pacific, a man-eating-predator film was born. Kauai, Hawaii's vibrant jungle sets the stage for the 1993 science fiction adventure flick ***Jurassic Park***. There are several details that make this movie so special, from the ahead-of-its-time visual effects to the man-versus-nature theme, and most importantly, dinosaurs! But the setting is also worth admiring, and the iconic helicopter scene that depicts the team's journey to Isla Nublar features the dense forest and impressive Manawaiopuna Falls of the Hanapepe Valley as its backdrop.

**WHAT TO DO:** Fly the same course with Island Helicopters Kauai, offering tours from Lihue Airport on the island's east coast. Spark those movie memories as you soar over the rugged terrain and imagine a world of dinosaurs below. Enjoy the once-in-a-lifetime experience of landing at the base of the 400-foot waterfall nestled deep within the lush valley, otherwise inaccessible to the public.

While you marvel at the falls, learn about the area's history and wild-life from the knowledgeable pilot.

### SET IN STONE

On its eighth and final season, HBO's fantasy ***Game of Thrones*** has captivated millions of viewers around the world. It's also a critical sensation; the series holds the record for the most Emmy wins in a year for a TV show (2015). No wonder: The show's cinematography, among other aspects, is astounding. Less than a one-hour drive from Barcelona, Spain, is the Castle of Saint Florentina in Canet de Mar. This 11th-century medieval stronghold played host to the show's cast and crew as they filmed key scenes for its sixth season on-site. The castle serves as Horn Hill, the family home for House Tully, and is seen in the season's sixth episode when Night's Watch steward Samwell Tully arrives with Gilly. Scenes take place in the castle's courtyard, the spacious throne hall, and an elegant bedroom.

Doone Castle, in central Scotland's Stirling district, was featured in the series as Winterfell, the ancestral home of House Stark. In the pilot episode, exterior shots are easily recognizable, and the scene of the great feast held to celebrate King Robert Baratheon's arrival includes incredible interior shots.

The castle is no stranger to fame, and has been featured in other films and TV shows over the years, including the 1975 cult classic *Monty Python and the Holy Grail* and the Starz original series *Outlander*.

**WHAT TO DO:** Explore real-life history and fascinating fictional worlds at these astonishing fortresses. Audio tours are available at Doone Castle, and Castle of Saint Florentina offers guided tours



on Saturdays and every third Sunday of the month (except when closed for events). Reservations are required. During the escorted excursion at Castle of Saint Florentina, visitors will learn about the history, architecture, and other secrets of the palace, and are offered a delicious glass of Spanish sparkling wine at the end of the tour.

### SUMMERTIME CINEMA

Back on the mainland, hop the ferry from Cape Cod to Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts, to explore the real-life beach towns that gave life to Amity Island, the fictional setting of the 1975 film **Jaws**. This original summer blockbuster is still considered one of the greatest movies of all time, and the recurring notes of its famous chill-evoking score have become the theme song of impending doom in pop culture. On Martha's Vineyard, communities embrace the claim to fame with tribute events, weekly summer screenings, and an overabundance of movie merchandise in the quaint seaside shops (seriously — you're gonna need a bigger boat).

**WHAT TO DO:** Sink your teeth into Edgartown Tour Company's family-friendly one-hour walking tour to get the inside scoop on the thriller's production. Tread in the footsteps of protagonist Chief Brody as you visit the sites from the big screen — such as the police station, ferry, Main Street, town hall, and more — and discover the impact the film had on Martha's Vineyard and the world.

Want to brush up on all the scenes before taking the tour? From late June through August, stop by the historic Capawock Theatre in Vineyard Haven to catch a Friday showing of the beloved picture.



MARTHA'S VINEYARD, MASSACHUSETTS; **JAWS**

### A HERO'S JOURNEY

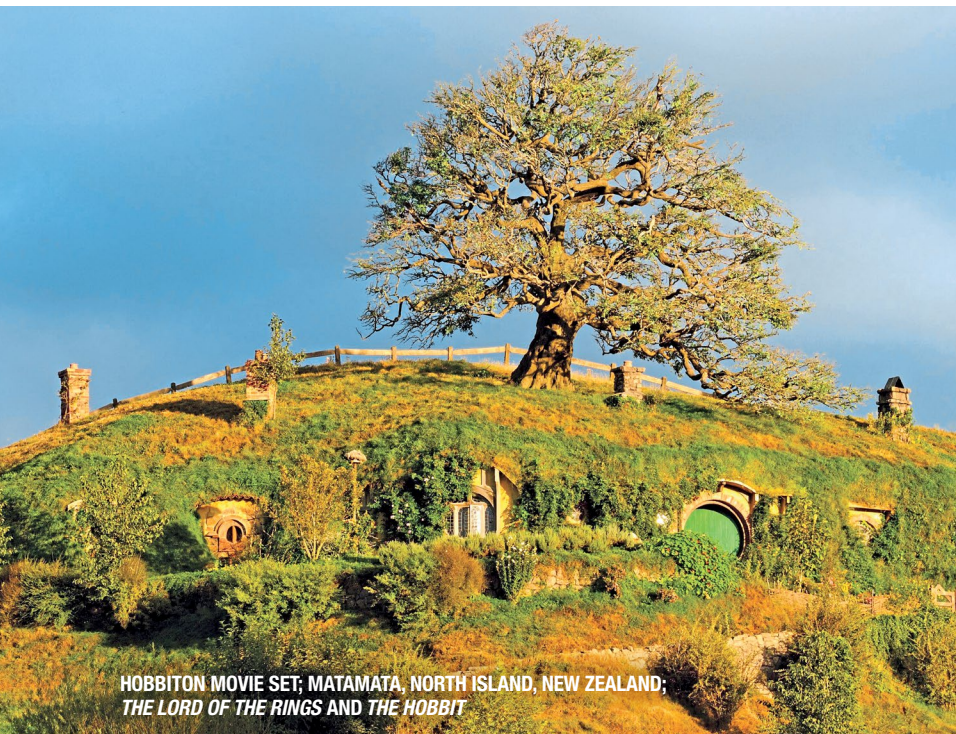
On New Zealand's North Island, venture into the verdant pastures of the Shire to experience the delightful Hobbiton community featured in the popular movie trilogies **The Lord of the Rings** and **The Hobbit**. The enchanting 12-acre Hobbiton Movie Set site is adorned with the landscaping, decor, and accessories used in the movies. It's located just outside the town of Matamata, an hour and a half north of Taupo, and two hours south of Auckland.

Farther south — about 90 minutes from Taupo and 45 minutes from Turangi — is Tongariro National Park, where a number of scenes from both film series were created. While often digitally enhanced, the area's desolate landscapes have been used as the setting for Mordor, the movies' archvillain Sauron's home base, including the vast Whakapapa and Tukino ski areas, and the barren Rangipo Desert.

Shots of the park's beautiful Mount Ngauruhoe, an active volcano, were transformed with CGI (computer-generated imagery) to create Mount Doom, a fictional volcano and hero Frodo Baggins' ultimate destination in *The Lord of the Rings*.

**WHAT TO DO:** Take a guided tour of Hobbiton Movie Set to discover where and how your favorite scenes were shot. See the quaint and colorful Hobbit Holes, visit the Old Mill, and enjoy a complimentary Hobbit-style beverage at the famed Green Dragon Inn. There's a cafe on-site with outdoor seating that provides fantastic views of the surrounding farmland and mountains. And if you're bringing souvenirs home, stop by the Shire Store for an extensive selection of themed gifts.

Reenact your favorite scenes and capture stunning panoramas of Tongariro National Park's remarkable terrain. While experienced hikers (and extreme fans) may want to follow Frodo's journey up the mountain, the landmark can be easily admired from below. ■



HOBBITON MOVIE SET; MATAMATA, NORTH ISLAND, NEW ZEALAND;  
**THE LORD OF THE RINGS AND THE HOBBIT**

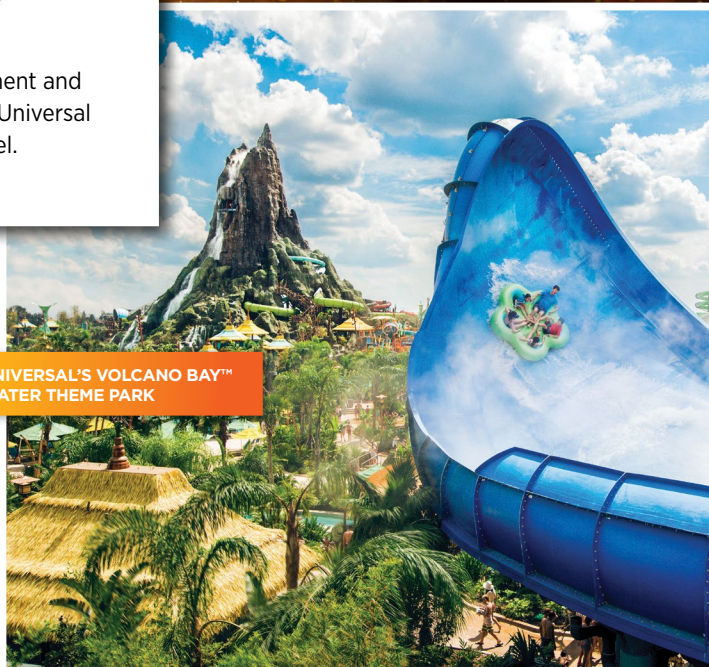




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# DOWN ON MUSIC ROW

## HISTORY AND SONG COME ALIVE IN NASHVILLE.

By Brittney McKenna

**When you picture Nashville, Tennessee, what comes to mind?** Is it the bright neon lights of Lower Broadway or the historic recording studios on Music Row? Do you hear country twang or inventive indie rock? How about dinner: down-home barbecue or creative fare from a James Beard Award-winning chef?

Remarkably, a trip to Nashville encompasses all of this and more. Nashville has long been known as Music City, but in recent years, the Tennessee capital has grown to become a premier destination for dining, art, shopping, and sports, too. It's perfect for a weekend escape or a weeklong exploration, with something to appeal to just about everyone — country music fan or otherwise.





Though Bob Dylan made *Nashville Skyline* famous with his 1969 critically acclaimed album, the *actual* Nashville skyline is popular in its own right, greeting more than 14 million visitors to Music City every year. RIGHT: The Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum is also called the “Smithsonian of country music” because of its vast collection of artifacts and recordings.



The Edison to iPod display at the Musicians Hall of Fame and Museum shows the progression of music throughout the years.

## ROOTED BEGINNINGS

It's no secret that Nashville is the international hub of country music. Everyone from Willie Nelson to Miranda Lambert has called the Nashville area home, and there's a rich history to be discovered in just about any pocket of town.

Historic RCA Studio B offers daily tours of its facility, which once played host to the likes of Elvis Presley, Porter Wagoner, and Dolly Parton. The studio is located on Music Row, a stretch of historic homes and buildings that still house the bulk of Nashville's music industry offices.

There are sundry walking tours to explore even the city's most hidden musical landmarks. The two-hour Walkin' Nashville: Music City Legends Tour tells the story of how Nashville became Music City, and takes visitors to the former sites of treasures from a bygone era, such as Sho-Bud Steel Guitar Company, established by steel guitarists Harold Bradley “Shot” Jackson and Buddy Emmons in 1965.

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## RESPECT YOUR ELDERS

For those looking to learn more about Nashville's musical history, there is no shortage of museums, tours, and educational attractions. The Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum, situated in a large complex downtown, is one of the city's musical crown jewels. Here you'll learn about icons like Johnny Cash and Patsy Cline, while discovering newcomers like Maren Morris and Sturgill Simpson, doing so via memorabilia, interactive exhibits, and a packed schedule of special programming.

Nearby, dig deeper into the histories of Cash and Cline at their respective museums, and stop in the George Jones Museum, too, for a glimpse into The Possum's life — and a rooftop cocktail. The Musicians Hall of Fame and Museum, located near the state capitol, traces the history of recorded music. The institution honors household names, like Jimi Hendrix and Ricky Skaggs, as well as lesser-known studio players who contributed to some of music's most important songs and albums. The venue also houses The Grammy Museum Gallery, a special interactive exhibit that allows guests to learn about the famed music awards.

Historic Jefferson Street in North Nashville showcases vibrant murals and tributes to much of the talent that played the neighborhood in the mid-century, including Hendrix and Little Richard. Visit the Jefferson Street Sound museum to learn more about this vital piece of Nashville's musical history.

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Local artist Adrian Saporiti's murals can be seen across the city, including the facade of the Marathon Music Works concert venue.





Bright neon lights, honky-tonk bars, and live music bring the streets of Lower Broadway to life.

### TAKE A SPIN

Vinyl records have made a massive comeback in recent years, and Nashville is a great destination for collectors. On the edge of Pie Town — just south of downtown — you can visit Jack White's (of the White Stripes) Third Man Records, the Willy Wonka's chocolate factory of vinyl fun. Check out the store's rare records and memorabilia, and catch a live show at its famed Blue Room. Third Man also offers weekend tours, and has a 1947 Voice-O-Graph recording booth that allows visitors to record a short audio message directly to a 6-inch phonograph disc.

Nearby, in the growing Wedgewood-Houston community, is United Record Pressing. Said to be the largest manufacturer of vinyl records in North America, URP offers a range of vinyl-related merchandise.

### TUNES FOR ALL

Nashville has long been known for its country music, but just about every genre imaginable thrives here. The Elliston Place Rock Block plays host to two of the city's best-loved rock establishments, Exit/In and The End. The latter boasts rowdy DIY and punk shows, while the former has reached renowned status since opening in 1971. Nearby dive bar Springwater is another great venue for folks hoping to scratch their indie-rock itch and enjoy a cheap brew.

For jazz fans, Rudy's Jazz Room in the Gulch neighborhood is not to be missed. Visitors can enjoy multiple live shows from acclaimed

## A Taste of Music City

Nashville may be known as Music City, but it's also a prominent food town — one that boasts a plethora of exciting new establishments alongside longtime local classics. Here's a sampling of some of Nashville's best spots to grab a bite.

### Homegrown Favorites

You can't visit Nashville without trying what's perhaps the city's most famous dish: hot chicken. The original purveyor of the spicy, fried dish is **Prince's Hot Chicken Shack**, located northeast of town. You may have to wait in line, but it'll be worth it for the perfectly fried bird. Lovers of Southern food must head to the Gulch, home to the famed **Arnold's Country Kitchen**, which serves a meat and three — Southern shorthand for a main entree and three sides. And try the **Loveless Cafe** southwest of town, where you'll want to be sure to order the biscuits and country ham.

### Award-Winning Cuisine

Folks who live in Nashville can't survive on chicken and biscuits alone. Germantown restaurant **City House** claims Nashville's first James Beard Award-winning chef, Tandy Wilson, and serves rustic Italian fare with a distinctly Southern bent — think mortadella served with chickpeas, frisee, and carrot mostardo. East Nashville's **Margot Café & Bar** is one of the city's older fine dining establishments, and boasts a seasonal menu that changes daily and features dishes like braised pork shank and cornmeal-dusted trout. Nationally renowned chef Philip Krajeck's **Rolf and Daughters** (which ranked third on *Bon Appétit*'s 2013 list of best new American restaurants) serves up handmade pastas.

### Sweet Fare

Busy days of exploration demand occasional treats. With locations in East Nashville and 12 South, **Five Daughters Bakery** crafts a beautiful array of artisanal doughnuts, including the 100-layer croissant-doughnut hybrid. Caffeine fiends will find no shortage of fuel throughout the city. **Frothy Monkey**, whose extensive all-day food menu rivals its beloved espresso drinks, is a sure bet. And on a hot day, stop at 12 South's frozen-pop shop **Las Paletas** for a sweet, icy treat.

jazz musicians each evening alongside traditional New Orleans-style food and drink. Downtown's Schermerhorn Symphony Center is home to the Grammy-winning Nashville Symphony and also books major touring acts.

### FEEL THE RHYTHM

After you've spent your daylight hours learning about Nashville's music, be sure to save your evenings for *actually* going out and hearing some. A trip to Nashville is never complete without a stop at the Ryman Auditorium, where you can take an educational tour and see what's sure to be an unforgettable live show. After you leave the Ryman, stop in at Robert's Western World, which often features





Seats go fast at Bluebird Cafe, where Grammy Award-winning musicians, such as songwriter Don Schlitz and singer Vince Gill, are regulars.

The Tennessee State Museum recently opened an expansive facility on the outskirts of Nashville's Germantown neighborhood. The museum comprises thousands of square feet of permanent and visiting exhibitions about Tennessee history, and is free to the public.

Mike Wolfe, from the TV show *American Pickers*, has a Nashville storefront in the historic Marathon Village complex, where visitors can view (and buy) "picked" items, check out show merchandise, and on lucky days, meet one or both of the show's hosts.

## ON THE RECORD

You can't leave Nashville without a bag full of records and CDs. For history buffs, Ernest Tubb Record Shop on Lower Broadway is a must-visit. Opened in 1947, the store now carries new releases, used vinyl, music books, and music merchandise. Grimey's, which moved to a large new East Nashville location last fall, is a music-collector's dream, with an expansive selection of new music, used gems, and a stocked calendar of live in-store events, with local and touring musicians.

Also in East Nashville is Fond Object, another independent record shop that is a pillar of the Riverside Village community and, in addition to music, sells vintage clothing, housewares, and original artwork. The Groove record store is convenient to much of the neighborhood's nightlife and dining, and is a great spot for music nerds who love sifting through crates in search of hidden treasures. ■

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prominent local talent, like Third Man Records artist Joshua Hedley.

The Station Inn is the pièce de résistance of the Gulch and has long been known for showcasing some of the world's greatest country and bluegrass artists. Seats are first-come, first-served, and gigs are known to sell out, so get there early. Across the river in East Nashville, The Basement East (affectionately referred to as The Beast) plays host to a wide array of mid-level local and touring acts. Its original counterpart, The Basement, is smaller and dive-ier, and makes for a great place to catch a truly intimate set. And don't miss the chance to see a show at The Bluebird Cafe. Everyone from John Prine to Garth Brooks has played this tiny hotspot — a must-see for any fan of well-crafted songs. Be sure to make reservations, though — the room fills up fast.

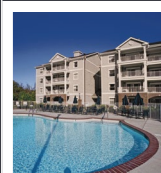
For an authentic "local" experience, check out Honky Tonk Tuesdays at the American Legion Post 82, which always features some of the best players in town. The Listening Room Cafe and Douglas Corner Cafe are great places for discovering up-and-coming songwriters. And hey, it's Nashville, so if you hear music drifting out of an establishment, chances are it's going to be good. Wander on in and listen up.

## CREATIVELY SOUND

Nashville is also home to many prominent cultural institutions that *aren't* related to music. The Frist Art Museum, located up the hill from the bars of Lower Broadway, houses a rotating roster of internationally renowned art exhibitions. The Carl Van Vechten Gallery at Fisk University is home to a biennial exhibit: the private art collection of Georgia O'Keeffe, which features works by Paul Cézanne, Pablo Picasso, and O'Keeffe herself.

On the first Saturday of each month, Nashville hosts the First Saturday Art Crawl, which takes place downtown on Fifth Avenue of the Arts. Prominent art-crawl galleries include the Rymer Gallery, as well as over a dozen more inside the historic Arcade. Wedgewood-Houston gets in on the art action, too, with Arts & Music at Wedgewood-Houston, a similarly styled event that also takes place on the first Saturday of each month.

## AREA RESORT



### Wyndham Nashville Resort (WNV)

Situated a mile from the Grand Ole Opry and the Opry Mills outlet mall, Wyndham Nashville Resort is centrally located and just a short drive from downtown. Visit the legendary Ryman Auditorium and the Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum, and explore the nightlife on Broadway. At the resort, enjoy indoor and outdoor pools, a hot tub, exercise facility, grilling area, playground, basketball court, and occasional live entertainment.

**For more information about Wyndham Nashville Resort, go to [intervalworld.com](http://intervalworld.com).**

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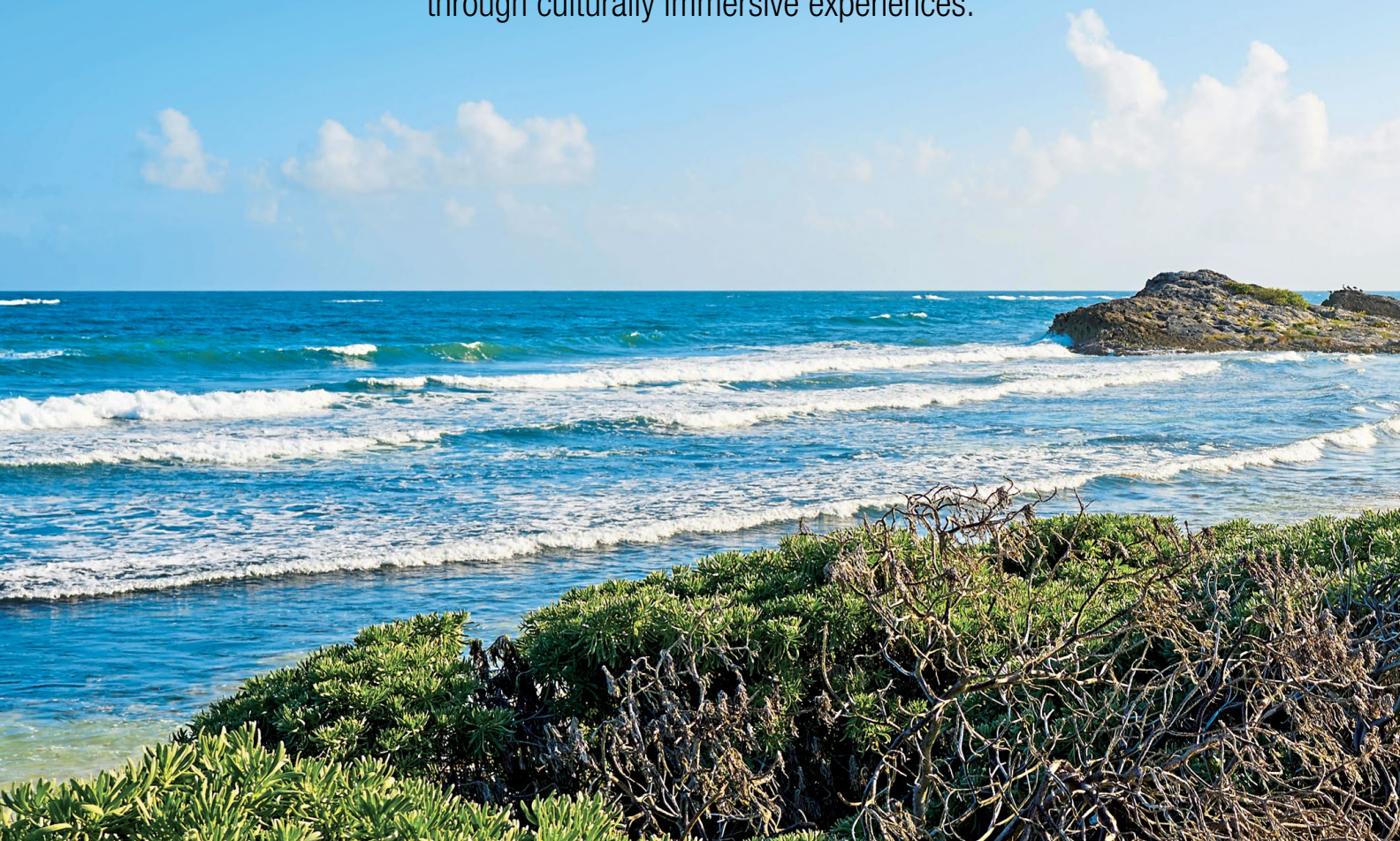
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# Beyond the Coastline

In search of the authentic Riviera Maya, adventure seeker **Marlise Kast-Myers** sets out on a week-long road trip to discover the region's true identity through culturally immersive experiences.





My husband, Benjamin, and I have always chased Mexico — from the windswept dunes of Baja to the blue agave fields of Tequila. We make it a priority to head south at least once a year, crossing the border for a dose of culture and customs far removed from our own.

Our latest quest takes us to Riviera Maya, the Caribbean coastline that stretches 100 miles south of boisterous Cancún, to Punta Allen in the Sian Ka'an Biosphere Reserve. Our route launches from Bahía Petempich, where the party atmosphere fades and tranquility begins.

From here, we follow the course along Carretera 307, the main thoroughfare that cuts all the way to the border of Belize. With a map and a plan, we wonder when we'll catch a glimpse of the pristine beaches we have heard so much about. As we head east — past dirt roads and thick mangroves — it's not long until we reach powdery white sands, turquoise waters, and bottle-green lagoons. Vibrant marine life darts beneath the surface, bridged by an underground network of rivers, caves, and freshwater sinkholes known as *cenotes*. Tucked into the jungle landscapes are Mayan ruins dating to around A.D. 500.

We have been on the ground less than 24 hours, and already, Riviera Maya is humming on its tune.

## PUERTO MORELOS AND THE MESOAMERICAN REEF

At the gateway to Riviera Maya is Puerto Morelos, a quaint fishing town where the seafood and margaritas are sensational. Despite its proximity to Cancún, this salty seaside pueblo has retained its authenticity and lure, drawing expat artists and poets who have fallen in love with its slower pace.

Just past a mangrove shrubland lies the town square, etched by restaurants, cafes, and fisherman's shacks beckoning the next tourist out to sea. Near the infamous *faro inclinado*, or leaning lighthouse, is the town's true treasure, the Mesoamerican Reef. Located 1,800 feet offshore, this protected national park is home to a thriving 600-mile-long barrier reef — the second longest after the Great Barrier Reef in Australia — and neighboring mangrove, with nearly 40 species of birds.

We snorkel by day and dine by night, sinking our toes into the sand and eating whole fried fish with our hands. We have our pick from hole-in-the-wall taco shops to finer restaurants like La Sirena and John Gray's Kitchen.

## MEXICO LINDO COOKING

Just across from Puerto Morelos, Mexico Lindo Cooking school brings traditional recipes to the table with one of the best culinary experiences on the coast. Run by Alejandra Kauachi and Tomas Medina, these master chefs proudly share Mexico's rich gastronomy and family recipes handed down from generations.

Their kitchen secrets are revealed through classes, workshops, and chef's-table dinners. They even host immersive tours where you can explore markets and catch your own soon-to-be ceviche. Whether you choose to work for your food or not, you'll still get to partake of gourmet dishes in a jungle setting. Come hungry and pace yourself for salsas, tamales, *pozole* (stew), tortillas, and *mucho más*.

## BONANZA RANCH

If you've ever dreamed of galloping along the beaches of Mexico, Bonanza Ranch on Rosarito Beach is the place to go. Saddle up for a tour through the Mayan jungle to take a dip in two cenotes and sample bubble gum in a *zapote* (sapodilla) orchard.



The shimmering Caribbean Sea gently laps Riviera Maya's Tulum coastline.



Like a scene straight out of *National Geographic*, the ride takes you past monkeys, birds, lizards, and other exotic wildlife. You'll learn about their habitats and the area's history from an experienced guide. Snacks and towels are included in the tour, and photos of your wilderness adventure are available for a small fee. An added perk is that all the horses have been rescued and rehabilitated, making this a truly unique way to experience Riviera Maya.

## XCARET

Once a sacred Mayan city, Xcaret is now a 250-acre eco-archeological theme park that features underground rivers and a coral reef aquarium. On a hot day, that's where we head first. From the dark waters of the mangroves to the crystal blues of the reef, we dive in and snorkel to our hearts' content. The water is so clear you can see the bottom, as fish nibble at pylons and coral. Stingrays flap past sea stars as bright as traffic cones.

There's a lot to experience above the surface at Xcaret, too, including a butterfly pavilion and an aviary, as well as diverse performances such as The Xcaret México Espectacular, which features 300 artists sharing the history, traditions, and folklore of Mexico through music and dance. And nearby are several sister parks: Xplor (an adventure park), Xichén Tours (offering archeological tours of Mayan ruins), Xenses (a park that heightens the senses through interactive activities), and Xoximilco (a gondola tour of Mexican culture). Needless to say, you'll want to set aside an entire day for Xcaret. Or maybe two if you're staying in Playa del Carmen: The park is just 6 miles away.

## TULUM AND COBÁ RUINS

There's no shortage of archeological sites in Mexico, but two of the most dramatic settings happen to be in Riviera Maya. The first, Tulum, is one of the region's leading attractions due to its accessible and appealing location on the cliffs above the Caribbean's turquoise waters.

Hordes of travelers flock to this walled Mayan city with its well-preserved ruins dating to A.D. 1200. This may just be the best photo op of your trip, with temples fronted by iguanas basking in the sun, and a backdrop of white sandy beaches.

If time permits, head to the less-congested Cobá. It's about a 45-minute drive inland from Tulum, but worth the journey. Spread across 43 square miles, this ancient city tucked in the jungle can best be explored by bike (available for rent). At the site are rugged, remote, white-stone structures from the late classic period (A.D. 600 to A.D. 900) — some of which are still climbable.

Save your Instagram shot for the 137-foot-high Nohoch Mul pyramid, the tallest Mayan structure in the Yucatán. Make the climb for breathtaking views and thigh burn at the top of 120 steps.

## CENOTES

If you're still longing to get your feet wet, visit any of the Yucatán's 7,000 cenotes. Considered sacred pools by the Mayans, today you can swim, snorkel, and dive in these freshwater sinkholes and subterranean chambers bordered by impressive limestone formations.

Our three favorites are Aktun-Chen near Tulum, and Chikin Ha and Kantun Chi, both neighboring Playa del Carmen. The best way



to experience local cenotes is through Secret Footsteps. This company educates visitors on everything from the underground rivers to the Mayan civilization that inhabited the area.

## SIAN KA'AN BIOSPHERE RESERVE

In the southern region of Riviera Maya, civilization fades and unparalleled beauty begins at Sian Ka'an Biosphere Reserve. The bulk of travelers turn back at Tulum, but a minimal-effort drive 15 miles south will take you to lush landscape, serving as a refuge for crocodiles, turtles, monkeys, jungle cats, and 345 species of birds, including yellow-tailed orioles and Yucatán jays.

Declared a UNESCO World Heritage site in the late '80s, this protected region is home to Muyil, a small Mayan site next to the Chunyaxché lagoon. Take a short boat ride along the river, then float in a life jacket on a 1,000-year-old canal, past four ecosystems of jungle, wetlands, mangroves, and lagoons, where manatees munch on seagrass below the surface.

## AKUMAL

This protected bay meaning "place of the turtles" holds true to its name. Navigate the glassy waters with 500-pound turtles, or snorkel farther out to sea for abundant coral and marine life. Akumal Dive Center has gear and guides for rent, and it's right by La Cueva del Pescador, one of the best seafood restaurants in town. Even if you don't plan on plunging into the sea, come for the thick powdery sand and the nearby cenote, accessible through a jungle pathway.

During our week in Riviera Maya, we taste traditions of Mayan communities, embrace the sacred sanctuaries of historic ruins, bathe in the beauty of cenotes, and gain a deep respect for the cultural identity of the Mexican Caribbean. ■

**San Diego-based journalist Marlise Kast-Myers has contributed to over 50 publications and traveled to more than 80 countries — mostly for surfing, snowboarding, and hiking expeditions. She has authored nearly 30 Fodor's Travel Guides, as well as her own books, *Tabloid Prodigy* and *Hikes on California's Pacific Crest Trail*.**





Beyond the beachfront of Puerto Morelos' main pier, snorkelers and divers can spot sea turtles and other vibrant marine creatures inhabiting the nearby reef. LEFT: Visit Xcaret's Mayan Village and learn how this ancient culture cultivated life in a Yucatán jungle city. BELOW: Once a major Mayan trading hub, the archeological ruins of Cobá feature the climbable Nohoch Mul pyramid.

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Tasting unique dishes, experiencing different customs, and partaking in exciting excursions are just some of the many perks of traveling. And Interval's all-inclusive resorts offer the gastronomic, diverse, and adrenaline-pumping excitement of culturally immersive activities. While embarking on a road trip is one way to explore the wonders of Riviera Maya, you can also do so without leaving your resort — or even carrying your wallet.

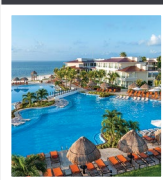
For starters, when you vacation all-inclusive, you travel worry free. With nearly everything paid for upfront, you can get money off your mind and focus on enjoying the moment rather than racking up prices. Food and drinks (alcoholic and nonalcoholic), and some services and amenities are typically included. And these meals aren't your typical resort fare — you'll delight your taste buds with contemporary French cuisine, traditional Japanese fare, authentic Mexican favorites, and myriad fine dining options. You can expect the same for drinks, too, where everything from top-shelf spirits to premium cocktails crafted by experienced mixologists to aged wines are on offer.

When it comes to activities, all-inclusive resorts deliver. Many properties are destinations in themselves, with beachfront access and an array of amenities, from pools and water parks to rejuvenating spas and dedicated spaces for kids and teens. Activities are plentiful with morning yoga, water sports, Spanish lessons, bowling, and nightly entertainment, to name a few. Simply put, you don't have to leave the property to have a full vacation experience. And if you do, the resorts can often make that easy for you via expert advice and arranged excursions, making that trip to Tulum or diving into those cenotes a breeze.

Staying at an all-inclusive resort is an experience in itself. And whether your tastes tend toward only-the-best or more middle-of-the-road, whether you're traveling with active youngsters or seeking kid-free down time, there's an all-inclusive resort waiting for you in Interval's network.

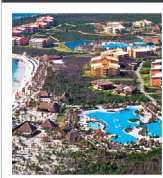
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## AREA RESORTS



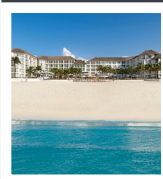
### The Grand at Moon Palace Cancún (MPG)\*

Enjoy beautifully designed accommodations, breathtaking views, and a plethora of activities. The resort offers Lebanese, Italian, and Mexican cuisine; top-shelf liquors; 24-hour room service; and complimentary Wi-Fi. Members who make a weeklong exchange or purchase a Getaway receive a \$1,500 resort credit for the spa, golf, and even tours to some of the attractions featured in this article.



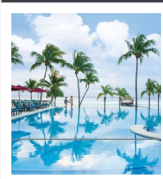
### TRS Yucatán Hotel (RSY)\*

A five-star, adults-only resort, TRS Yucatán Hotel, near Akumal, is a 25-minute drive from Playa del Carmen. Indulge in five buffet restaurants, nine a-la-carte eateries, and 25 bars; take a dive in nine swimming pools; and unleash your inner athlete at the on-site sports facilities. Enjoy unlimited use of the amenities and services at the four adjacent Grand Palladium resorts.



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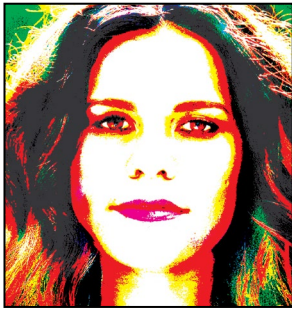
# OAHU, HAWAII

BY BETSY SHELDON

The most visited Hawaiian island? Oahu. And with good reason. With a lively mix of attractions and activities, the capital island offers world-class beaches, urban bustle, historic must-sees, and plenty of diversions, from festive luaus to hanging 10 on the celebrated North Shore. But to go beyond the tour guide basics, we asked local experts for their take on the best ways to embrace the Oahu experience.



# The Insiders



## KIMIÉ MINER SINGER-SONGWRITER

Kimié Miner produces and performs her own music, inspired by her Hawaiian roots.

**Sweet Surrender** “The Waiahole Poi Factory is a great spot for traditional Hawaiian food. Try the Sweet Lady of Waiahole [warm kulolo, a sweet taro-coconut dish, served with ice cream] for dessert — it’s delicious!”

**Day Is Done** “The best place to catch a sunset is on the west side of the island. Park at any beach and watch the magic happen!”

**Prime Time** “Haleiwa Joe’s Seafood Grill in Haiku Gardens is where the locals go, and makes for a perfect date night. Go early for their famous prime rib — it always sells out.”

**Hail, Hawaiiana!** “To learn about our Hawaiian culture and history, the Bishop Museum ❶ holds a vast collection of historic treasures from Hawaii and other Pacific islands.”

**Market Fresh** “Farmers markets are a great authentic Oahu experience, and let you meet the locals and support local businesses.”

**Blue Hawaii** “The Blue Note Hawaii in Honolulu is where to go for live music. The sound is clear and captivating, and you feel like you’re sitting in the artist’s living room.”



## BRANDON SMITH PHOTOGRAPHER

Brandon Smith specializes in portrait and lifestyle photography.

**Cold Comfort** “Waiola Shave Ice is a hidden gem right outside Waikiki. Make sure you get the sweetened condensed milk on top!”

**Cliff-Hanger** “Spitting Caves is a very Instagram-worthy spot that not many people know about. It’s a dramatic cliff facing the sunset [west]. Sometimes you can even watch people jumping down into the ocean.”

**Child’s Play** “Ko Olina is a resort [area] on the southwest corner with four man-made lagoons and gorgeous landscaping. [A] perfect spot for smaller children to play in the ocean.”

**Say “I do”** “Kualoa Ranch [Private Nature Reserve] ❷ is an epic wedding venue. It [was a filming] location for *Jurassic Park*. Stunning mountain views.” (For more on *Jurassic Park*, see page 36.)

**Homegrown Goods** “Roberta Oaks is a local designer located in Chinatown, and she designs men’s and women’s aloha shirts.”

**On the Go** “Oahu has a bus system that accesses every corner of the island. It’s called TheBus.”



## EDISON DE PAULA SURFING INSTRUCTOR

Edison de Paula is the owner of Surf Hawaii - Surf School.

**Party Hawaiian-Style** “Germaine’s Luau offers a luau experience with traditional roast pig and plenty of entertainment.”

**Picture Perfect** “The Makapu’u [Point] Lookout, with tall cliffs overlooking turquoise waters, makes a great spot for a selfie.”

**Shore Thing** “In the winter, Waimea Bay ❸ is for serious surfers, but during the summertime, you can count on calm, waveless water — perfect for families.”

**Aloha Ware** “You’ll find Hawaiian shirts and more at the Aloha Stadium Swap Meet & Marketplace, an open-air flea market outside of Waikiki.”

**Hawaiian Fast-Food** “L&L Drive-Inn in Haleiwa serves classic Hawaiian plate lunches, including barbecue with two scoops of rice and one scoop of macaroni salad. Portions are generous and inexpensive.”



## POMAI TOLEDO MUSEUM DIRECTOR

Pomai Toledo is director of development and communications at Iolani Palace.

**Cheap Eats** “Chun Wah Kam Noodle Factory has an array of dim sum classics, as well as local favorites for takeout. For \$10, you can feed two people!”

**Family Beach** “Waimanalo Beach Park is perfect for everyone from *keiki* [kids] to *kupuna* [seniors]. The water is calm, the sand is soft, and there’s lots of shade.”

**Not-So-Hidden Treasure** “Not that I’m biased, but Iolani Palace ❹ is the only palace in the U.S., after all.”

**Music to the Ears** “The Waikiki Aquarium’s annual summer concert series, Ke Kani O Ke Kai, features some of Hawaii’s top entertainers. There’s no better venue to listen to live Hawaiian entertainment at sunset.”

**Culture Lessons** “Nothing beats the free cultural classes at Royal Hawaiian Center in Waikiki. You can learn to make a lei, dance hula, or even play the ukulele.”

**Take-Home Treats** “A bag of Kona coffee or cookies from Big Island Candies make perfect souvenirs.”





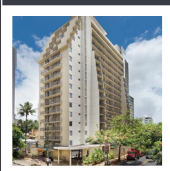
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### Ilikai Hotel & Luxury Suites (IHO)

Just a short stroll from Waikiki Beach and the Ala Moana Center, Ilikai Hotel & Luxury Suites is in the heart of all the action. The resort offers spacious condominiums that are fully equipped with kitchens and large balconies with sweeping views. Enjoy exceptional on-site dining options and oceanfront access.

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Accommodations at AQO and IHO are available for purchase through the Getaway program and generally will not be available for exchange.



# BRANSON'S SECRETIVE SPIRIT COMES OUT INTO THE OPEN.

By Carrie Dow

# Missouri

"How can I distract you today?" Jenny asks us with her sly smile and country accent as we enter a tiny cottage in the woods of southern Missouri's Ozark Mountains. Jenny's job is to ply us with moonshine made in the cabin's basement. But this is no unlawful encounter — everything is perfectly legal. In recent years, Branson distillers have emerged from the shadows of an illicit past into the modern-day industry of craft spirits.

## A NOT-SO-CLANDESTINE BUSINESS

Making the drive to **Copper Run Distillery** in the hills north of town can feel like searching for a secret location still hidden in the woods. Once you turn off Highway 65 onto Bear Creek Road, the shoulder disappears, and trees line the path that winds past bucolic horse ranches. As it curves farther into the forest, the road's authentic, rugged character begins to emerge. After careful driving over a few cracks



At Missouri Ridge Distillery, moonshine is a family business — one that has been brewing since Prohibition. RIGHT: The recipient of five medals at the 2017 Denver International Spirits Competition — among other accolades — Missouri Ridge Distillery takes pride in its award-winning spirits.



Carrie Dow



in the asphalt, Copper Run's entrance, consisting of a pyramid of whiskey barrels, appears.

The building doesn't look like much from the outside, but inside the rustic structure are shelves of distilled spirits, and behind the bar, the friendly, yet assertive, Jenny holds court. Besides moonshine, Jenny has rum, whiskey, bourbon, and spirit infusions to use in her cocktails. She crafts all of the bar's selections with seasonal fruits, vegetables, and herbs. I let her distract me with a Copper Run bloody mary. Jenny makes the bloody mary mix with red, yellow, and green peppers; rosemary; red onions; and coarse garlic from her personal garden. She garnishes the cocktail with a pickle, olive, celery salt, and pepperoncini. The taste is warm and satisfying, like a spring day in the Ozark hills.

We scoff when Jenny announces all six of the distillery's products are made on-site in a 140-gallon pot still in the basement. To prove it, she insists on giving us a tour. From behind,



# Moonshine



the building has a walkout cellar carved into the hillside that holds a copper still, a corner bottling area, and a small barrel room — Copper Run truly boasts authenticity down to every rustic detail.

Jim Blansit founded Copper Run Distillery in 2009 after many years of working in California's brewing industry. He returned to Branson to open Taney County's first distillery — located on land his family farmed for generations — since Prohibition ended in 1933. Blansit's dad, also Jim, named the distillery and lives next door. The tasting room has a dog-friendly back deck, and live music and food trucks on weekends.

## WHAT IS MOONSHINE?

Moonshine simply is any unaged, clear grain spirit, commonly perceived as a high proof, illegal, bootlegged liquor distilled deep in the Appalachian Mountains. However, the line of illicit stills that ran from Virginia through Kentucky during the Prohibition Era also stretched into the Ozark Mountains of southern Missouri. Backcountry distillers would use sugar cane to sweeten the spirit, and others would add fruits and spices to give it even more flavor. Today, a new generation of legal distillers is changing public opinions about moonshine by making artisanal, small-batch, high-quality products with a mix of traditional and modern techniques.



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shine in Utah's Rocky Mountains during Prohibition. "I'm just the first generation to do it aboveboard," Pope laughs. He then provides a quick moonshine lesson. "The simplest explanation [of moonshine] is any clear, non-taxed liquor," he begins. "The lore or legend behind it requires a little longer story. If you go with a traditional recipe, it is a blend of sugar cane and grain. Because it's got cane in it, you can't call it whiskey, and because it's got grain, you can't call it rum."

Pope's distillery and restaurant are located northwest of downtown Branson, just off Highway 465. He and his wife, Jolie, moved to Branson specifically to open Missouri Ridge. A Nebraska native, Jolie spent summer vacations in Branson as a youth and has always loved the area. "I tried to convince her to move to Alaska," says Pope. "When we got here, I told her, 'It's Alaska green, but warm, so I'm in.'"

Among its many spirits, Missouri Ridge offers a Howlin' Hounds moonshine and a 100-percent corn whiskey (both at 100 proof), a white lightning at 140 proof, and three flavored whiskeys: apple pie, peach, and honey. Made with super-sweet corn from Illinois and sugar cane from Louisiana, the sweetness comes through immediately when sipped. The apple pie and peach flavors both remind me of fruit cobbler, right down to a hint of a buttery cinnamon crust at the finish.

### MOONSHINE GOES UPSCALE

Crown Valley Brewing and Distilling Company began as a vineyard in St. Genevieve, Missouri, in 2002. As the winery expanded, the

owners opened a brewery and distillery in 2008, making a variety of beverages, including craft sodas. The company set up shop on the Strip of Branson's Highway 76 in 2015 as **Crown Valley Branson**.

"Branson has been extremely welcoming," says general manager Tena Smith. "It's something new. They've had the wineries for years, so we were the first distillery [inside city limits]." Crown Valley Branson is part bistro and part storefront with a small-batch distillery in the back. While the tasting room serves and sells every product Crown Valley makes, including meats and cheeses, Branson is the only location that produces a classic corn moonshine and four flavored whiskeys: nutty honey, cocoa espresso, cinnamon, and, the company's most popular, cherry maple. Made with all-natural flavorings, Smith says cherry maple whiskey is a perfect taste of all things Branson.

"We have lots of maple syrup and fruit orchards, so I would identify that flavor with Missouri." Smith even cooks with cherry maple, using it for bread pudding, barbecue sauce, and even bourbon pancakes. She recommends substituting a bit of the whiskey with water — about a quarter cup. "These pancakes are for adults only because the cooking is not hot enough to cook off all the alcohol," she advises.

Smith, whose hospitality background is from the wineries of Southern California, personally prefers Crown Valley's Washtub gin and uses it in a variety of the tasting room's cocktails. "The nose on it is just so soothing," she says. "While most gins are heavy on the juniper and pine with a wintery taste, our gin is more like an indoor sauna that's warm, inviting, and sparkling." Try it for yourself in Smith's signature gin and tonic. She makes it without the lemon twist because the gin already contains citrus.



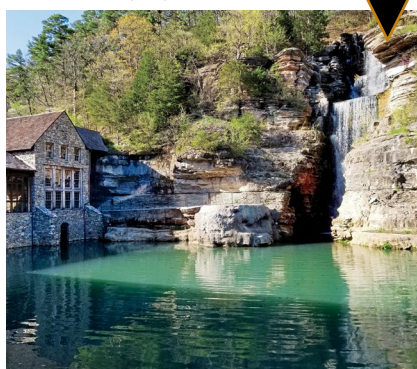
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While only adults can indulge in moonshine, here are some Branson activities to experience with the entire family:

**Moonshine Beach Recreation Area:** Don't let the name fool you: Adults *and* kids can enjoy this large sandy beach on Table Rock Lake. Just a few miles west of downtown Branson, Moonshine Beach offers a swimming area, scuba diving, fishing, volleyball, and picnicking. Table Rock Lakeshore Hiking Trail runs about 2 miles from the visitors' center to Table Rock State Park Marina with stunning lake views. The beach has accessible facilities.

**Branson Scenic Railway:** A 40-mile journey on this historic railroad passes through tunnels, over trestles and bridges, and through the awe-inspiring Ozark wildness of Missouri and Arkansas. The depot is located in downtown Branson and operates three to four rides daily, depending on the season.

**Dogwood Canyon Nature Park:** Set on 10,000 acres, Dogwood Canyon is a 40-minute drive southwest of downtown Branson. View breathtaking waterfalls and fish in beautiful canyon streams and ponds; hike, bike, or Segway the 6.5-mile paved trail; or go horseback riding. You can also enjoy a ride aboard the Wildlife Tram Tour, where you'll cross the Arkansas border for a chance to spot herds of bison, elk, and other cattle.



**Fritz's Adventure:** This indoor activity park is open year-round. Thrill seekers can experience 80,000 square feet of vigorous activities such as climbing, tunneling, suspension bridges, and zip lining. Fritz's can also accommodate guests with disabilities; just ask for special accommodations at the front counter.

**Parakeet Pete's Waterfront Zipline:** Parakeet Pete's zip line over Lake Taneycomo at Branson Landing offers a large multi-cable ride with a double-chair ski-lift seat that makes experiencing a zip line easy and comfortable for everyone. The chair is slowly pulled backward to the opposite side of the lake before being released for the return flight safely over the water.





ABOVE: Chase that white lightning down with a pulled pork sandwich or a specialty stuffed burger at Smith Creek Moonshine.



A 1941 Ford moonshine hauler is on display at Smith Creek Moonshine.

Smith offers complimentary 30-minute distillery tours to anyone who makes a tasting room purchase. Group tours are available by calling the distillery directly.

### BELLY UP TO THE BAR

Branson's newest distillery is **Smith Creek Moonshine**, which began with moonshine in 2015 and now makes whiskey and vodka. While the production still is located about 4 miles away, Smith Creek has a tasting room, retail outlet, and barbecue restaurant in Branson Landing, the city's outdoor shopping and entertainment mall along Lake Taneycomo.

"I feel like a real moonshiner when we drive up there," says Sarah, a tasting room bartender, about the trip to Smith Creek's country still. "We do all small-batch distilling," she adds enthusiastically, "Every one of our bottles [is] signed by one of our distillers." The off-site distillery makes the moonshine and then transports it in containers to three tasting rooms: the flagship location in downtown Branson, and two in Tennessee, both for bottling and labeling.

The distillery currently makes straight moonshine at 100 proof, an 80-proof vodka, and 11 flavored moonshines from apple pie to chocolate silk to salted caramel, all at 50 proof. Guests can taste, in tiny amounts, any flavor they desire, and Sarah will guide adventurous moonshiners through all 13 flavor profiles. All visitors have to do is bring a driver's license as proof of age, and belly up to the bar.

Smith Creek's straight moonshine has the pleasant, earthy taste of corn mixed with the sweetness of sugar cane. The distillery's vodka is also made with corn, rather than potatoes, for another unique taste. Sarah has a cocktail suggestion for every flavor the distillery makes, and informs us that lemon-lime moonshine makes a great substitute for triple sec in a margarita. Recipes are available on the distillery website, so you can re-create the bar experience at home once you settle on a favorite flavor.

So, if you're still under the impression that moonshine is an inferior

spirit, perhaps a visit to Branson is in order to set your taste buds straight. With so many enticing flavors and cocktails, you'll need a designated driver to enjoy them all responsibly. ■

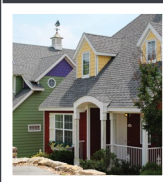
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### AREA RESORTS



#### The Grand Crowne Resort (SUG)

Sitting atop a 20-acre Ozark mountainside, overlooking a multimillion-dollar golf course, is The Grand Crowne Resort, located just three blocks south of Branson's entertainment district. One- to three-bedroom lock-off units are available with whirlpool tubs, private balconies, fully furnished kitchens, and washer/dryers. Amenities are aplenty and include an indoor pool and playground.



#### Stormy Point Village Resort (SMW, SMY)

After spending a day exploring Branson and all its fun-filled glory, relax inside your elegant Cape Cod-style cottage, then unwind by one of the resort's pools, take the family to Pirates Harbor Water Park, or have a meal at the Salty Dog restaurant or Lighthouse Grill.



#### Palace View Heights (PVJ)

The resort offers an on-site activity center that features a lounge with a fireplace, game room, and fitness area, which overlooks the outdoor pool, hot tub, and kiddie splash pad. Enjoy spacious one-, two-, and three-bedroom accommodations, and take part in one of the many on-site activities.

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wonderfully wild  
Scotland






The endless beauty of **Scotland**'s landscapes has inspired the works of famous writers, poets, and artists for centuries. **BY SOPHIE COLE**

Standing at last atop the Cairngorm mountains — exposed to the elements and facing a dramatic panorama of endless peaks and distant lochs — feels like being on top of the world. Inhaling the fresh air of the Scottish Highlands, it is here that I begin to understand Nan Shepherd's description of the Cairngorms in her novel *The Living Mountain*: "Light has a quality I have not met elsewhere." The setting is atmospheric, with the sky a blend of brilliant white and faint gray.

After exploring in and around Scotland's two national parks, Cairngorms and Loch Lomond and the Trossachs, I am in awe of the scenery. It's no wonder these areas have inspired so many poets, writers, and artists to produce masterpieces over the years. With mile upon mile of rich green forests, rolling-hill countryside, and shimmering lochs, the land is beautifully untamed and has an enchanting quality that is quintessentially Scottish.

A hiker in a red jacket and dark pants stands on a rocky mountain peak, looking out over a vast landscape. The foreground shows a steep, rocky slope with patches of snow. In the distance, rolling hills and a body of water (Loch Lomond) are visible under a blue sky with scattered clouds.

Hiking is the most popular activity in Cairngorms National Park and rewards with unparalleled vistas. **LEFT:** A thick-coated, upward-horned highland cow grazes on moorland around Loch Lomond. These distinctive bovine are among the world's oldest cattle breeds.



## LOCH LOMOND AND THE TROSSACHS

I meander along nature trails in Loch Lomond and the Trossachs, excited to follow in the footsteps of acclaimed creatives whose works have brought many to these lovely banks.

Spanning 720 square miles, Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park is an icon of Scotland's scenery. This remote and scenic place drove Sir Walter Scott and William Wordsworth to write their adventure novels and poems during the Romantic Age, sparking a surge in the area's popularity.

At Trossachs pier, I hop aboard the classic steamship *Sir Walter Scott*, and travel the length of Loch Katrine, featured in Scott's poem "Lady of the Lake." Published in 1810 and written during a family vacation in the Trossachs, the narrative prose brought the region to life. Shortly after its publication, Victorian sightseers flocked to the loch to see the captivating land for themselves. It wasn't just the visitors who were enthralled: A young Franz Schubert, also inspired by Scott's epic, wrote one of his best-known pieces, "Ave Maria," to the words of the famous poem.

Ferrying across Loch Katrine on the 118-year-old steamship feels much like traveling through history. The wild green expanse shows few signs of modernization, and time is seemingly static: It could very well be the 19th century to an outsider. Gliding along mysteriously dark waters, reaching depths of up to 320 feet, the boat passes forest-filled banks, Ellen's Isle, and Brenachole Point — a popular film location, featured in movies including Alfred Hitchcock's *The 39 Steps* and the 2008 thriller *Doomsday*, and season two of the Starz original series *Outlander*. Every now and then, a blanket of bright-white mist momentarily swallows the distant mountains and obscures the view, reducing visibility to foggy silhouettes. The eerie conditions accentuate the dramatic setting.

We disembark at Stronachlachar pier, and I switch my mode of transport to a hybrid bike designed for road and mountain conditions. Pedaling along the tarmac lane, which weaves around ancient oak-twined shores, and whizzing past gushing mountain waterfalls, I cycle back to the starting point, a two- to three-hour ride away. The route is remote and utterly tranquil. In Scott's famous poem "Lady of the Lake," he describes Loch Katrine and its peaceful surroundings as "so wondrous wild, the whole might seem, the scenery of a fairy dream." This verse could also be applied to the Trossachs; there is something enchantingly quaint and timeless about the landscape.

As depicted by these poets, the charm of the Highlands comes alive when you explore on foot. Well-marked trails weave through forests, zigzag up mountains, and provide breathtaking vistas, and often, a bench at the top. At Inversnaid, I climb the steep 1.5-mile RSPB (Royal Society for the Protection of Birds) nature trail through marvelous oak trees. I am rewarded with a superb view of northerly Loch Lomond from above. Along the way, wood warblers and redstart birds swoop before my eyes, and the sound of water trickling down from rocky hillside rivers forms nature's soothing melody.

Many Scottish artists have been inspired by the changing light over the rugged highlands, like at this river near Braemar in Cairngorms National Park.



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On lower ground, traversing the rugged terrain along the loch, I reach Rob Roy's cave. Legend has it that the cattle-rustling fugitive Rob Roy MacGregor — depicted as a Scottish Robin Hood-like hero in Scott's adventure novel *Rob Roy* — took refuge on these shores with his family after their home was burned to the ground. It was here that he planned many of his scandalous activities as an outlaw.

Back in 1803, a trio of prolific poets and writers — William Wordsworth, his sister Dorothy, and friend Samuel Coleridge — traveled through the Trossachs, writing along the way. William composed the poems "Stepping Westward" and "A Highland Girl," while Dorothy documented their six-week, 663-mile journey in her travel memoir *Recollections of a Tour Made in Scotland*, published in 1874. Traveling by horse and carriage, and exploring mostly on foot, the Wordsworths described the land as "a grand and solitary region."

Following in their footsteps, I stroll along the shores of Loch Ard before sunset, noticing the stillness of its waters. As light fades to dusk, the lake has a kaleidoscopic quality; the shimmering loch reflects translucent skies and towering pine trees. Two ducks nonchalantly swim past, stirring up the calm waters and leaving a rippled trail behind them. In an instant, the mirage is lost.

After a day of exploration, The Forth Inn, a traditional pub in the heart of the quaint village of Aberfoyle, provides a chance to relax and refuel. It is here that I delve into a hearty haggis burger (when in Scotland!) and enjoy the good cheer and merriment. It's a place where you can mingle with locals, and sample a shot of whisky or enjoy one of the craft beers on tap. Well worth a peek the next day, The Wee Tablet shop is a cute confectionary in Aberfoyle. I choose from their selection of sugary treats, settling on some authentic





Still boasting its original engine, the *Sir Walter Scott* steamship has been converted from coal to biofuel.

Scottish tablet — similar to fudge — and a scoop of freshly made ice cream.

What strikes me most when traveling around the Highlands is the welcoming nature of the locals. They seem to have an innate appreciation and knowledge of their land, which is apparent whenever I ask for directions. They know the best hidden gems to visit. When I stop by Callander for a coffee, cake, and gift shopping, the store owner recommends a visit to nearby Balquhider to see Rob Roy's grave. Taking her advice, I make an impromptu detour farther north of Loch Lomond, and enjoy a hike around a different, equally scenic part of the Trossachs before my stay nears its end.

### THE CAIRNGORMS

Driving toward the Cairngorms region, Britain's largest national park, an expansive mountainscape blurs past my eyes. Keen to explore, I head straight for Cairn Gorm Mountain, an outdoor adventure playground that attracts skiers during winter and hikers come summer. Visitors who want to travel up the mountain without the climb can take a ride on the funicular railway (weather permitting). I ascend the aptly named Windy Ridge Path, followed by the Summit Path. Reaching the peak, a vista of mountains extends as far as the eye can see.

The Cairngorms' cool climate is the perfect habitat for a herd of 150 free-roaming reindeer that live in the hills. Previously native to Scotland, the reindeer were reintroduced to the mountains in 1952, where they have since flourished due to the sub-Arctic conditions and tundra vegetation that they perennially graze on. You can meet the sweet-natured animals on a two-hour hill trip, or visit some of them at the Glenmore paddock.

Afterward, I head to the town of Aviemore, where art galleries showcase the works of local artists, many who have been influenced by the dramatic scenery. In Boat of Garten, I pass by 1896 Gallery & Coffee Shop to admire some of James Gordon's landscape photography. He manages to capture the light and constantly changing

climate of the Cairngorms in its rawest form. It's a cozy place to wrap your hands around a cup of tea after a morning of adventure on the Munros — mountains in Scotland that reach more than 3,000 feet — and admire paintings by Scottish artists that line the walls upstairs.

All these adventures feel like a step back in time; a refreshing tonic from the fast-paced world we live in. While the Victorian depictions of the Scottish Highlands are surprisingly current (minus the horse and carriage), the land of the Scots remains as it always was — mesmerizingly grand and wild. ■

### AREA RESORTS



#### **Macdonald Forest Hills Hotel and Spa and Macdonald Vacation Club at Macdonald Forest Hills Hotel and Spa (FHT, OFH, OFR)**

Set in landscaped gardens and woodland on the shore of Loch Ard, the resort is an ideal base for exploring the Trossachs. Enjoy award-winning dining in the Garden Restaurant or Rafter's Bistro, and indulge in afternoon tea on the terrace with lake and mountain views.



#### **Macdonald Spey Valley Golf & Country Club and Macdonald Vacation Club at Macdonald Spey Valley Golf & Country Club (DAL, ODF)**

Macdonald Spey Valley Golf & Country Club borders the famous River Spey with views of the Cairngorm mountains. The resort is close to the lively village of Aviemore. Relax in the swimming pool or whirlpool, exercise in the gym, or pursue outdoor activities such as golf and fishing.

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**What to do:** Go outdoors. Miles of trails traverse the nearby mountains. There are easy-going nature walks along waterfalls and more challenging all-day treks to the tops of majestic peaks. Or simply take a leisurely stroll through downtown Callicoon — and any of the other little hamlets — to enjoy not only the pleasant weather, but also the friendly small-town atmosphere.

**Where to do it:** The Ice Caves and Verkeerderkill Falls Trail is arguably the most unique hike in the area. In the span of approximately 7 miles, you'll walk through a verdant forest; take in a spectacular view from atop a large stone outcropping; negotiate narrow, (often) ice-lined rock fissures; and witness a 180-foot waterfall.

**Why go now:** As daytime spring temperatures melt away the last snowy remnants of winter, you'll see flowers and trees starting to bloom, but still feel as though you have the place to yourself before the summer travelers begin to arrive.

**Insider's tip:** Mix with locals at the Callicoon Brewing Company. The Reuben sandwich, variety of New York craft beers on tap, and comfortable setting will have you feeling like a regular in no time.

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## Entre Ríos, Argentina



Argentina's Entre Ríos province is north of Buenos Aires and bordered by the Paraná River to the west and the Uruguay River to the east. Between those waterways is a fertile plain that's home to sprawling farms and cattle ranches, as well as a number of countryside communities that provide an idyllic escape from big city life.

**What to do:** Settle in for some serious rest and recreation. Horseback riding, golf, and fishing for dorado, a regional favorite that grows to impressive size here, are all options. Relatively new to the local relaxation scene, though, are various hot springs resorts, where visitors can soak away their troubles.

**Where to do it:** The Uruguay River — and the towns along its bank — is the focal point for nearly all activities. If you want to go after

some of those dorado, find an outfitter in Concordia. Both Federación and Colón are known for their hot springs parks that feature multiple pools with mineral-rich water that flows as hot as 109°F.

**Why go now:** The fishing is good almost year-round, but peak season runs to mid-May, and what better time to enjoy the hot springs than when the weather starts to cool during the South American autumn.

**Insider's tip:** To add a dash of urban flair to your bucolic vacation, head to Concordia. Its main plaza, 25 de Mayo Square, is surrounded by museums, government offices, and lively restaurants and bars.

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## MEMBERS' EXCHANGES

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#### Sailing and Sunsets

KIM AND GLEN COWART | KEY WEST, FLORIDA

Kim and Glen Cowart had dreamed of visiting Key West, Florida, since purchasing their timeshare in 2009. After putting in a request for several resorts in the area, the couple were thrilled to exchange into Hyatt Residence Club Key West, Windward Pointe. They were delighted to receive spacious, clean, and beautifully decorated top-floor accommodations with a wonderful vista of the ocean. "The staff [was] extremely helpful, particularly our concierge who helped us set up dinners and activities," says Kim. The Cowarts explored Duval Street, watched the sun set over Mallory Square, and toured the Ernest Hemingway Home and Museum. "The best part of our [trip] was the sunset cruise we took on a catamaran around the island," says Kim. "We will continue to explore the wide range of travel options available via Interval in the future."

#### Fireworks in Falmouth

ALEX AND NANCY CANTU | CAPE COD, MASSACHUSETTS

Alex and Nancy Cantu celebrated their 30th anniversary with a wonderful two-week trip to Falmouth, on Cape Cod, Massachusetts. The Cantus stayed at InnSeason Resorts – Surfside, located within easy reach of the ferries to Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket, as well as the Cape's most popular areas, including Hyannis, Sandwich, and Woods Hole. Their accommodations "had a wonderful view of Great Pond Bay from the balcony," says Alex. "The staff was friendly and helpful with local information and things to do." It was a very special vacation for the couple, who enjoyed the offshore Falmouth Fireworks display on the Fourth of July. "Seeing all the people line the beach and the boats anchored to watch the show was beautiful," says Alex.



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## Family Fun in the Sun

KEVIN AND KERRY KEENAN | CABO SAN LUCAS, MEXICO

Kevin and Kerry Keenan wanted to take a family vacation before their children, Reilly and Kaylee, were both away at college. “We thought this may be our last opportunity to steal them for a week,” says Kerry. The Keenans exchanged into Grand Solmar Land’s End Resort & Spa Cabo San Lucas in Mexico. “The days were filled with relaxation and fun. Walks on the beach were peaceful and beautiful,” says Kerry. “The views from our balcony and the pools were exceptionally entertaining.” Everyone had a blast swimming in the infinity pools and tasting the local cuisine. The group went whale-watching and enjoyed walks into town — located just a few blocks away — where they got to experience the city’s culture. “Cabo and the resort exceeded our expectations,” says Kerry. The memories will last a lifetime.”



## Bucket-List Vacation

STEPHEN AND DONNA FULLERTON | HAZYVIEW, MPUMALANGA, SOUTH AFRICA

Stephen and Donna Fullerton have been married for 30 years, spending the past three decades traveling as often as they can. In celebration of their pearl anniversary, they made their first exchange with Interval to SunSwop at Sabi River Sun in Hazyview, Mpumalanga, South Africa. “Donna is a professional photographer, so this was a bucket-list item for her,” says Stephen. The Fullertons ventured many times to nearby Kruger National Park, where they spotted leopards, lions, rhinoceroses, elephants, Cape buffalo, and more. They also explored Blyde River Canyon and the Drakensberg Mountains. The couple are already planning their return to South Africa for a tour of the famed Garden Route. “Interval International played a major role in our 30th-anniversary-trip planning, and we couldn’t be happier!” says Stephen.

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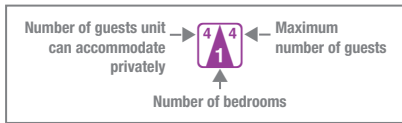
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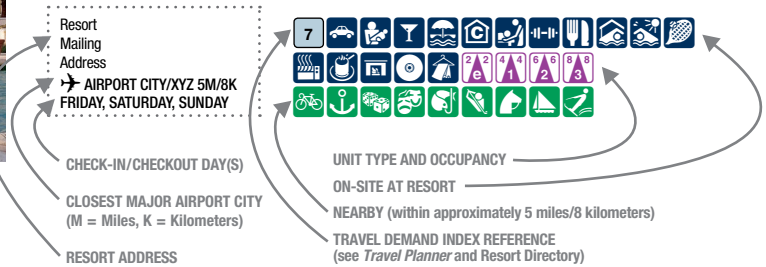


# GUIDE TO SYMBOLS

## Resort Example



This text identifies the unique attributes of each resort. You'll find a brief description that may include information about the resort's environment, location, amenities, facilities, and area attractions located on-site or near the resort. Each feature is designed to help you select a resort that will provide the vacation experience you're looking for.



## Guide to Symbols

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 Babysitting Referral	 Grocery or Convenience Store	 Swimming Pool (Indoors)	 Wheelchair Accessible	
 Bar/Cocktail Lounge	 Horseback Riding	 Swimming Pool (Outdoors)	 Wi-Fi Access	
 Beach	 Lake	 Tennis		
 Bicycle Trails	 Playground	 Waterskiing	 <b>2 2</b> Hotel Room (Usually no cooking facilities) Private sleeping capacity/ maximum occupancy	 <b>4 6</b> Two Bedrooms Private sleeping capacity/ maximum occupancy
 Boat Marina/Launching	 Racquetball	 Whirlpool Spa or Hot Tub	 <b>2 2</b> Efficiency/Studio (Usually with cooking facilities) Private sleeping capacity/ maximum occupancy	 <b>6 8</b> Three Bedrooms Private sleeping capacity/ maximum occupancy
 Casino Gambling	 Restaurant	 Air Conditioning (In Units)	 <b>2 4</b> One Bedroom Private sleeping capacity/ maximum occupancy	 <b>8 10</b> Four Bedrooms Private sleeping capacity/ maximum occupancy
 Clubhouse	 Sailing/Rentals	 Cooking Facilities (In Units)		
 Day Spa	 Sauna or Steam Room	 Fireplace (In Units)		
 Entertainment (Live)	 Scuba Diving	 DVD or VCR (In Units)		
 Exercise Room (Equipped)	 Skating (Ice)	 Laundry Facilities		
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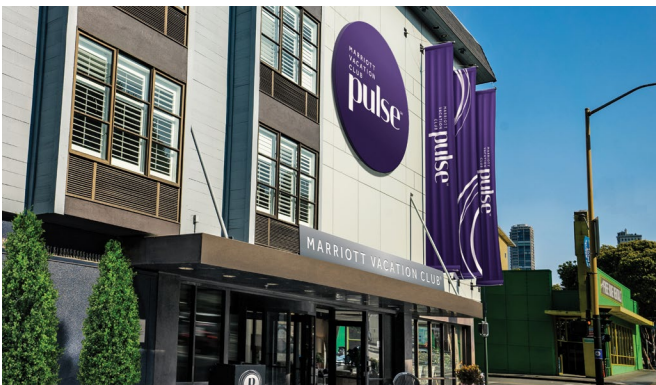


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Playa del Carmen  
Quintana Roo 77710  
Mexico  
✈ CANCÚN/CUN 36M/58K  
FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY





## NEW MEMBER RESORTS



## BELLAFER OCEAN VIEW RESORT AND SPA • BEF

ROSARITO BEACH, BAJA CALIFORNIA NORTE, MEXICO • 664-70040021  
*bellafer.com*

Located in Rosarito Beach, Bellafer Ocean View Resort and Spa offers studio, one-, and two-bedroom accommodations, and world-class services and amenities. Relax at the day spa, enjoy excellent dining, and swim in the outdoor pool. Experience the area's exciting nightlife and explore the many beaches, where sunbathers and surfers gather. The resort is less than a one-hour drive from Tijuana International Airport.

Puntazul Zafiro  
Rosarito Beach  
Baja California Norte 22710  
Mexico  
✈️ TIJUANA/TIJ 21M/34K  
FRIDAY

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**CELEBRATE PARK • CEK**

Grupo Vidanta  
NUEVO VALLARTA, NAYARIT, MEXICO • 322-226400  
*vidanta.com*

Celebration Park provides the comfort, exceptional service, and array of amenities guests have come to expect of Vidanta resorts. Enjoy stunning units and fast, easy access to The Parks — Vidanta Nuevo Vallarta's theme park featuring thrilling rides, attractions, and performances. Play a round of golf or indulge at the spa on-site, and visit the nearby beaches for some fun in the sun. The resort offers an unforgettable vacation for all ages.

Paseo de las Moras s/n  
Nuevo Vallarta, Nayarit 63735  
Mexico  
✈️ **PUERTO VALLARTA/PVR 5M/8K**  
**FRIDAY SATURDAY SUNDAY**

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## DIAMOND BAY BOUTIQUE RESORT • ECB

MAZATLÁN, SINALOA, MEXICO • 669-9892929  
*encantobahia.mx*

Diamond Bay Boutique Resort offers the perfect beach vacation. Located in Nuevo Mazatlán, the resort features contemporary-style facilities designed to create truly unique experiences. Enjoy the beautiful infinity pool, delicious international cuisine at the restaurant, a lobby bar, lounge, garden for events, and private beach area. Mazatlán boasts the famed Malecón — with its street vendors, shops, and restaurants — and a lively historic center.

Avenida Ernesto Coppel  
Campaña 725  
Mazatlán, Sinaloa 82100  
Mexico  
✈ MAZATLÁN/MZT 23M/37K  
SATURDAY



**BANYAN TREE CABO MARQUÉS • BTC**

ACAPULCO, GUERRERO, MEXICO • 744-4340100  
*[banyantree.com](http://banyantree.com)*

Alluring Acapulco boasts stunning sunsets and a captivating coast. Built on high stilts along the cliffs above the city's Diamond Zone, Banyan Tree Cabo Marqués features an Asia-inspired design and provides visitors with spectacular views, and Banyan Tree signature privacy and comfort. Rejuvenate at the Banyan Tree Spa, and explore the area's local culture, from the famous La Quebrada cliff divers to tequila and mezcal tasting experiences.

Boulevard Cabo Marqués, Lote 1  
Punta Diamante  
Acapulco, Guerrero 39907  
Mexico  
✈️ ACAPULCO/ACA 10M/16K  
TUESDAY





**PLAZA BARRA FIRST • PBF**  
RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL • 21-2169-1500  
[plazahoteis.com.br](http://plazahoteis.com.br)

In Rio de Janeiro's Barra da Tijuca neighborhood, Plaza Barra First welcomes guests to spend peaceful and joyful moments in the beautiful swimming pool surrounded by gardens. There is also a sauna, gym, and restaurant on-site. Nearby, play a round at the Olympic Golf Course, browse the shopping mall (located within walking distance of the resort), and visit Reserve Beach, a popular surfing strand.

Avenida das Américas, 7897  
Rio de Janeiro  
Rio de Janeiro 22793-081  
Brazil  
✈️ RIO DE JANEIRO/GIG 20M/32K  
FRIDAY



**HOTEL RUSTICA PACHACAMAC • RUP**  
LURÍN, LIMA, PERU • 1-417-5645, EXT. 1041  
[rusticaclub.com](http://rusticaclub.com)

Just a 30-minute drive from the capital city of Lima, Hotel Rustica Pachacamac has vast green areas, three outdoor pools, and a spa that allows guests to disconnect from the hustle and bustle of the city. Accommodations have satellite TV and a minibar. The resort has a restaurant that offers a range of dishes and drinks, and there is a game area and entertainment, such as karaoke, on the property.

Lote. 14 Urb. Rinconada de Puruhay  
Lurín, Lima 15842  
Peru  
✈️ LIMA/LIM 30M/48K  
FRIDAY



**HOTEL RUSTICA TARAPOTO • RUT**  
TARAPOTO, SAN MARTÍN, PERU • 1-417-5645, EXT. 1061  
[rusticaclub.com](http://rusticaclub.com)

Hotel Rustica Tarapoto is located in Tarapoto, the largest city in Peru's San Martín region — known for its mild climate and rain forest. The resort has an outdoor pool with an impressive view of the valley and surrounding natural landscape. Accommodations have satellite TVs and a minibar. On-site, there is a restaurant that offers a variety of dishes and drinks, as well as game and karaoke areas.

Ctra. Fernando Belaunde Terry, Km. 8  
Tarapoto, San Martín  
Peru  
✈️ LIMA/LIM 593M/955K  
FRIDAY



**HOTEL RUSTICA VICHAYITO • RUY**  
LOS ORGANOS, TALARA, PERU • 7-328-6680  
[rusticaclub.com](http://rusticaclub.com)

Located in Talara, on Peru's northern coast, Hotel Rustica Vichayito provides sea-view accommodations with satellite TV and a minibar. Enjoy soaking up the sun at the on-site beach and outdoor pool. The resort has a restaurant that offers a range of dishes and drinks, and there is a game area and entertainment, such as karaoke, on the property.

Altura 1211 Antigua Panamericana  
Norte  
Balneario Vichayito  
Los Organos, Talara, Peru  
✈️ TALARA/TYL 45M/72K  
FRIDAY





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### BLANCO HOTEL • BNC

CASTELLANETA MARINA, TARANTO, ITALY • 0998-430174  
[blancohotel.it](http://blancohotel.it)

Situated in Castellaneta Marina, Blanco Hotel provides a prime base for guests seeking a beachside vacation. With a chic, minimalist interior, and facilities such as a swimming pool, garden, and restaurant serving local cuisine, the resort is a relaxing space with all the essential modern comforts. Explore the surrounding areas including Matera, 22 miles away, or travel farther afield to Lecce, 86 miles from the hotel.

Lungomare Eroi del Mare  
Castellaneta Marina  
Taranto (TA) 74011  
Italy  
✈️ BARI/BRI 62M/100K  
SUNDAY



### TONNARA DI BONAGIA • TDB

VALDERICE, TRAPANI, SICILY, ITALY • 2319-63284  
[sicilysuite.com](http://sicilysuite.com)

Set in a Sicilian tuna fishery dating back to the 17th century, Tonnara di Bonagia is a charming, restored resort that retains its traditional features. Overlooking the sea and surrounded by tropical plants, accommodations are furnished and decorated in local style, in keeping with the building's origins. The on-site restaurant, La Muciara, specializes in Italian dishes from the Trapani area, and is the perfect setting to dine alfresco with picturesque views looking out across the harbor.

Piazza Tonnara 1  
Valderice, Trapani (TP) 91019  
Italy  
✈️ PALERMO/PMO 50M/81K  
SATURDAY



### CLUB LA COSTA YACHT CLUB (GREECE) • YCL

KERKYRA, CORFU, GREECE  
[clublacostayachtclub.com](http://clublacostayachtclub.com)

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Gouvia Marina  
Tzavros, Kerkira  
Corfu 49083  
Greece  
✈️ CORFU/CFU 2M/3K  
THURSDAY



### PORTO DEAD SEA RESORT • PDJ

AMMAN, JORDAN  
[amer-group.com](http://amer-group.com)

Porto Dead Sea Resort is located at the foot of the mountains 28 miles west of Amman on the eastern shore of the Dead Sea, an internationally renowned tourist destination in Jordan. At night you can enjoy a fine dining experience at one of the resort's acclaimed restaurants with views of a large dancing fountain. For family fun, there is a movie theater and Porto Dead Sea's daily carnivals.

Dead Sea Coast  
Amman  
Jordan  
✈️ AMMAN/AMM 41M/66K  
THURSDAY

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## ANANTARA VACATION CLUB LEGIAN BALI • LEI

KUTA, BADUNG, BALI, INDONESIA • 0361-764-262

This boutique resort is idyllically situated between Kuta Beach and Seminyak. Accommodations are stylish, spacious, and airy, ranging from studios to three-bedroom units, making it ideal for families. Guests can enjoy use of the fitness center, swimming pool, spa, and restaurant opposite the beach. Opportunities for surfing, swimming in the sea, shopping, and experiencing the local culture are all within walking distance, and there is a variety of dining venues nearby to sample authentic Indonesian cuisine.

Jl. Pantai Arjuna No. 18  
Double Six Beach  
Legian  
Badung Regency  
80361 Kuta, Bali  
Indonesia  
✈ DENPASAR BALI/DPS 6M/10K  
MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY,  
THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY,  
SUNDAY



## ANVC AT LAGUNA HOLIDAY CLUB PHUKET RESORT • LGP

THALANG, PHUKET, THAILAND • 076-271-888  
[lagunaholidayclubresort.com](http://lagunaholidayclubresort.com)

Located amid palm trees and lush tropical surroundings, overlooking the golf club's scenic fairways, sits the family-friendly ANVC at Laguna Holiday Club Phuket Resort. Units are spacious and feature a separate living and dining area, kitchen, and modern furnishings. With a variety of on-site amenities, including a swimming pool with waterslide, pool bar, and kids' club, guests will be kept well entertained. The on-site restaurant offers an array of authentic Thai dishes.

Srisoonthorn  
Thalang, Phuket 83110  
Thailand  
✈ PHUKET/HKT 14M/23K  
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Tempted as you'll be to while away the hours with your toes in the sand at Half Moon Bay — or any of this paradisiacal island's alluring beaches — getting out and about is another great way to delight in Antigua's picture-perfect scenery. For a photo-worthy hike, follow the trail to Fort Berkeley and step back in time to when this 18th-century stronghold's cannons defended the English Harbour.

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## **Georgian Bay, Ontario**

**FROM \$387 PER WEEK**

Nightly Average From \$56

**Interval Platinum From \$337 Per Week**

**Interval Gold From \$362 Per Week**

Georgian Bay's forested southern shores are awash in natural splendor. Set your family trip in motion with an exhilarating ride on the Ridge Runner Mountain Coaster at Blue Mountain resort. You can control your speed — up to 26 mph — zigzagging 3,560 feet downhill on a track, while enjoying spectacular vistas of Georgian Bay and the Niagara Escarpment.

Mark Landry



## Costa del Sol, Spain

**FROM \$347 PER WEEK**

Nightly Average From \$50

Interval Platinum From **\$297** Per Week

Interval Gold From **\$322** Per Week



Adored for its sun-drenched seashores and quaint whitewashed towns, this stretch of southern Spain is a beach-lover's dream. For a taste of Andalusian hospitality, sip sangria and snack on tapas at one of Mijas' numerous cafes — *ensalada malagueña* (salt cod potato salad) and *fritura malagueña* (Málaga-style fried seafood) are traditional favorites.



## Rome, Italy

**FROM \$699 PER WEEK**

Nightly Average From \$100

Interval Platinum From **\$649** Per Week

Interval Gold From **\$674** Per Week

Ancient sites, world-class art, and palate-pleasing trattorias draw throngs of travelers to this sacred capital once ruled by emperors. Vatican City, a UNESCO World Heritage site, is not to be missed. Experience the history and cultural significance of the papacy with a tour of the Pope's summer palace, Villa Barberini, and its sculptured gardens.



## Phoenix Area, Arizona

**FROM \$377 PER WEEK**

Nightly Average From \$54

Interval Platinum From **\$327** Per Week

Interval Gold From **\$352** Per Week

Located in the heart of the Sonoran Desert, this urban oasis could be the L.A. of the Southwest. Think cutting-edge restaurants, championship golf, spa days, high-end shopping, and sizzling nightlife. To see the iconic saguaro cactus thriving amid this arid metropolis, visit the Desert Botanical Garden in Papago Park. Pick your trail, then cool off with a beverage at the Patio Cafe.



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Interval Gold From **\$312 Per Week**

When the snow melts away, Breckenridge trades one type of alpine allure for another. Take in a panorama of greenery while practicing your swing at the Jack Nicklaus-designed Breckenridge Golf Club, where a full round is actually 27 holes. Three nine-hole courses — The Bear, The Beaver, and The Elk — offer varying degrees of challenges.



## Lake Tahoe, Nevada

**FROM \$357 PER WEEK**

Nightly Average From \$51

Interval Platinum From **\$307 Per Week**

Interval Gold From **\$332 Per Week**

As the warmer weather approaches, it's game on for all sorts of water sports — from waterskiing and jet skiing to pedal boating, kayaking, and parasailing on the lake. And in spawning season, anglers can expect a chance to land trophy-size rainbow trout. Book a charter with Tahoe Sport Fishing and reel in a big one.

## Bali, Indonesia

**FROM \$269 PER WEEK**

Nightly Average From \$39

Interval Platinum From **\$219 Per Week**

Interval Gold From **\$244 Per Week**



West Bali's tranquility can be a welcome break from the more well-traveled tourist areas. Perfect for a contemplative trek (guided hiking only), West Bali National Park is blanketed in rugged jungles and mangrove-lined beaches. Catch a glimpse at myriad wildlife — perhaps the endemic and endangered Bali starling — at this nature reserve, where verdant landscapes are as peaceful as they are picturesque.



## Myrtle Beach Area, South Carolina

**FROM \$387 PER WEEK**

Nightly Average From \$56

**Interval Platinum From \$337 Per Week**

**Interval Gold From \$362 Per Week**

Beach time on The Grand Strand is so sacrosanct, other activities can fall by the wayside. Pencil in a date for museum hopping; there are many interesting exhibits, from the revolving fine art displays at the Franklin G. Burroughs-Simeon B. Chapin Art Museum to the quirkier side of things at Hollywood Wax Museum, where you can brush sleeves with Madonna and other A-listers.



## Kauai, Hawaii

**FROM \$1,069 PER WEEK**

Nightly Average From \$153

**Interval Platinum From \$1,019 Per Week**

**Interval Gold From \$1,044 Per Week**

One of the archipelago's least-crowded islands begs a road trip. While you could drive from the north to south shore in less than two hours, make frequent stops instead. You'll be rewarded with untamed vistas of craggy mountains and windswept coastal beaches. Not to miss are Napali Coast's lush valleys, Poipu's white sands, and the Waimea Canyon and Hanalei Valley lookouts.



## Púcon, Chile

**FROM \$519 PER WEEK**

Nightly Average From \$75

**Interval Platinum From \$469 Per Week**

**Interval Gold From \$494 Per Week**

With a dozen glacial lakes and several national parks, Chile's Lake District is where outdoor adventure calls. On the eastern shore of Lake Villarrica, Púcon is an adrenaline-fueled town with leisure pursuits aplenty. Choose from hiking, biking, fly-fishing, whitewater rafting, and more. Mid-June signals the start of ski season for an unforgettable run down the slopes of the Villarrica volcano.

## St. Lucia\*

**FROM \$259 PER WEEK**

Nightly Average From \$37

**Interval Platinum From \$209 Per Week**

**Interval Gold From \$234 Per Week**

Rich in Caribbean charm, St. Lucia is almost entirely of volcanic origin. And the late spring and early summer months are the perfect time to discover the island's geothermal wonders. Head south of Soufrière to the otherworldly Sulphur Springs to observe steaming fumaroles, soak in a mud bath, and rinse off in rain forest falls.

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## Tampa Bay, Florida\*

**FROM \$329 PER WEEK**

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Interval Platinum From **\$279 Per Week**

Interval Gold From **\$304 Per Week**

Whether you're a sunseeker, a fun seeker, or both, Tampa Bay hits all the notes with its sprawling beaches, Busch Gardens theme park, and a lively downtown with entertainment galore. Check out The Florida Aquarium's interactive exhibits or have your aquatic experience on screen at the 4D theater. With underwater visuals and special effects, the *Shark: A 4-D Experience*® short documents the survival instincts of these magnificent creatures.

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## Cancún, Mexico

**FROM \$337 PER WEEK**

Nightly Average From \$49

Interval Platinum From **\$287 Per Week**

Interval Gold From **\$312 Per Week**

Whether you're new to tequila tasting or consider yourself a seasoned professional, Cancún is as *estupendo* a place as any to refine your knowledge about this complex Mexican art form. Sip the blue agave spirit slowly at La Joya restaurant, and learn about the distillation process while sampling at La Destilería, an eatery that also houses an on-site tequila museum.

## Palm Springs, California

**FROM \$397 PER WEEK**

Nightly Average From \$57

Interval Platinum From **\$347 Per Week**

Interval Gold From **\$372 Per Week**

Modern meets retro when it comes to fashion in Palm Springs, where upscale shops and vintage boutiques are almost as plentiful as sunny days. Head over to Desert Hills Premium Outlets for dozens of couture retailers and popular chains — from Gucci to The Gap — all in one location. If you want to look the part, pay a visit to The Frippery consignment store for mod necklaces and psychedelic frocks.

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- Take in the breathtaking landscape of Metéora, where you'll see ancient monasteries built on top of vertical cliffs that reach more than 1,000 feet into the air.
- Set foot in the ancient stadium of Olympia, where the first Olympic Games were held in 776 B.C.

### THE DRILL DOWN

- Savor authentic Greek recipes while dining at a traditional, family-owned taverna in Athens.
- Visit the historic town of Delphi, once considered the center of the world, where people from all over Greece would go to consult their fortune with the famous oracle.
- Learn about daily life in the Greek countryside during a farm tour near Olympia, where you'll taste local wine, olive oil, and homemade jam.



THOLOS OF DELPHI AT THE TEMPLE OF ATHENA PRONAIA

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**ITINERARY:** Las Vegas, Nevada; Williams, Grand Canyon National Park, Navajo National Monument, Kayenta, Monument Valley Navajo Tribal Park, and Page, Arizona; Bryce Canyon National Park, Zion National Park, St. George, and Snow Canyon State Park, Utah

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### THE BEST OF

- Catch a beautiful sunset — and sunrise — during your overnight stay inside Grand Canyon National Park.
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- Join a cruise on Lake Powell to reach Antelope Canyon, known for its narrow, winding shapes and its deep-orange hues.

### THE DRILL DOWN

- Enjoy a typical Navajo dinner in Monument Valley.
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### THE BEST OF

- Visit Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump, a UNESCO World Heritage site that hints at the buffalo-hunting practices the aboriginal people of the North American plains used for almost 6,000 years.
- Take in the spectacular alpine views along the famous Going-to-the-Sun Road inside Glacier National Park.
- Choose between riding on top of Athabasca Glacier in an all-terrain vehicle, or walking on a glass-bottom walkway on the side of a cliff for a scenic overlook of Sunwapta Valley.



SUNWAPTA FALLS

### THE DRILL DOWN

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Taxes, fees, and port expenses of \$98 per person are additional.

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BASTIONE DI SAINT REMY,  
CAGLIARI, ITALY



## 7-Night Western Mediterranean From \$705

**DATES:** Sept. 20; Sept. 27, 2019

**SHIP:** *Costa Diadema*

**ITINERARY:** Civitavecchia (Rome) and Savona, Italy; Marseille, France; Barcelona and Palma de Mallorca, Spain; Cagliari and Civitavecchia, Italy

Taxes, fees, and port expenses of \$48 per person are additional.

Delight in two of the Mediterranean's most famous destinations while also discovering a few of the region's lesser-known gems during this trip. You'll start in Civitavecchia, the gateway to Rome, where some of humankind's most iconic landmarks, including the Roman Forum and Colosseum, are on display. Barcelona, with its art museums and bustling boulevards, is equally enchanting. But don't overlook the itinerary's smaller ports. Savona, Marseille, and Cagliari are home to picturesque fortresses and cathedrals, and Palma de Mallorca offers diverse activities: Explore the Caves of Drach, spend a day shopping, or take a scenic train ride through the mountains to the town of Sóller.







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JUNEAU, ALASKA

## 10-Night Canada and New England From \$799

**DATE:** Oct. 18, 2019

**SHIP:** *MSC Meraviglia*

**ITINERARY:** New York City, New York; Bar Harbor, Maine; Saint John, New Brunswick (Bay of Fundy); Halifax and Sydney, Nova Scotia; Portland, Maine; Boston, Massachusetts; New York City

Taxes, fees, and port expenses of \$177 per person are additional.

Enjoy the Mediterranean hospitality and ambiance that MSC Cruises is known for on a sailing to North America's scenic northeast coast. Take advantage of exciting shore expeditions that range from exploring the tranquil lakes and rocky coastline of Acadia National Park outside Bar Harbor, to touring the historic citadel in Halifax, and stopping at the famous Quincy Market in Boston. Back on board the ship, you'll have a choice of 12 different eateries to satisfy whatever taste you're craving — but be sure to plan at least one dinner at Eataly — Ristorante Italiano, a signature MSC dining experience.



## 7-Night Alaska From \$739

**DATE:** Sept. 7, 2019

**SHIP:** *Royal Princess*

**ITINERARY:** Whittier (Anchorage; embark), Hubbard Glacier (cruising), Glacier Bay National Park (cruising), Skagway, Juneau, and Ketchikan, Alaska; Vancouver, British Columbia (disembark)

Taxes, fees, and port expenses of \$220 per person are additional. Based on an IF interior cabin.

Alaskan voyages are arguably the most scenic trips the cruise world has to offer. You'll see why when your ship sails into Disenchantment Bay to inspect Hubbard Glacier, a 76-mile-long, nearly 400-foot-tall wall of blueish ice at the base of majestic coastal peaks. And that, as they say, is just the tip of the iceberg. Cruising Glacier Bay National Park is next, and then it's on to a collection of ports that offer unique shore excursions ranging from salmon bakes and crab feasts to whale-watching and bear viewing.

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## 7-Night Southern Caribbean From \$571

**DATES:** Sept. 1; Sept. 29, 2019

**SHIP:** *Freedom of the Seas*

**ITINERARY:** San Juan, Puerto Rico; St. Maarten; St. Kitts; Antigua; St. Lucia; Barbados; San Juan

Taxes, fees, and port expenses of \$67 per person are additional.



## 7-Night Bermuda From \$866

**DATES:** Aug. 25; Sept. 1, 2019

**SHIP:** *Norwegian Escape*

**ITINERARY:** New York City, New York; Royal Naval Dockyard, Bermuda (two overnights); New York

Taxes, fees, and port expenses of \$253 per person are additional.



## 7-Night Eastern Caribbean From \$649

**DATE:** Oct. 26, 2019

**SHIP:** *Nieuw Amsterdam*

**ITINERARY:** Fort Lauderdale, Florida; Half Moon Cay, Bahamas; Grand Turk, Turks and Caicos; Amber Cove, Dominican Republic; Key West and Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Taxes, fees, and port expenses of \$155 per person are additional.



## 7-Night Alaska From \$865

**DATES:** Sept. 8; Sept. 15, 2019

**SHIP:** *Celebrity Eclipse*

**ITINERARY:** Vancouver, British Columbia; Inside Passage (cruising), Icy Strait Point, Hubbard Glacier (cruising), Juneau, Ketchikan, and Inside Passage (cruising), Alaska; Vancouver

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Taxes, fees, and port expenses of \$187 per person are additional.



## 7-Night Western Mediterranean From \$1,999

**DATE:** Sept. 12, 2019

**SHIP:** *Sirena*

**ITINERARY:** Monte Carlo, Monaco (overnight; embark); Antibes, France; Portofino and Livorno (Florence, Pisa, and Tuscany), Italy; Ajaccio (Corsica), France; Palma de Mallorca, Valencia, and Barcelona, Spain (disembark)

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## 7-Night Romantic Danube From \$2,399

**DATE:** Oct. 27, 2019

**SHIP:** *Viking Longship Atla*

**ITINERARY:** Budapest, Hungary (overnight; embark); Vienna and Krems, Austria; Passau, Regensburg, and Nuremberg, Germany (overnight; disembark)

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**DATES:** Oct. 4; Oct. 9, 2019

**SHIP:** *Disney Wonder*

**ITINERARY:** San Diego, California; Cabo San Lucas and Ensenada, Mexico; San Diego

Taxes, fees, and port expenses of \$123 per person are additional.



## 7-Night Western Caribbean From \$664

**DATES:** Sept. 1; Sept. 15, 2019

**SHIP:** *Norwegian Breakaway*

**ITINERARY:** Miami, Florida; Roatán, Honduras; Harvest Caye, Belize; Costa Maya and Cozumel, Mexico; Miami

Taxes, fees, and port expenses of \$171 per person are additional.



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Entries must be postmarked no later than Aug. 1, 2019. If your correct answer is one of the first 10 selected in our random drawing, you win!

See rules below.

The answer to Where in the World? in Issue 1, 2018, of *Interval World* is Forte dos Reis Magos in Natal, Brazil. The winners of the travel organizers are John Barger of Ormond Beach, Florida; Betty Closser of Placitas, New Mexico; Kristine Cook of Allentown, Pennsylvania; Joyce Ginsberg of Sharon, Massachusetts; Bruce Gonzalez of Roswell, Georgia; Rosemary Hagman of Oakland, California; Nansen Josselyn of Ithaca, New York; Francisco J. Plaza of Novi, Michigan; Lilia Rivera of San Bernardino, California; and Robert R. Smith of Put-in-Bay, Ohio.

## CLUES

- While the site has the appearance of a centuries-old village, one of the masterminds behind this cultural hub was actually a Hollywood set designer. It was built in less than a decade, largely with the labor of local craftspeople and stones reclaimed from nearby construction-blasting debris.
- The attraction's cobblestone pathways lead to a church, an archeological museum, an art gallery, boutiques, and restaurants that range from alfresco fine dining to casual fare, among other features.
- The largest structure here is a Greek-style amphitheater, where a variety of musicians such as the late Frank Sinatra, Andrea Bocelli, and Shakira have performed.

The answer to Where in the World? in Issue 2, 2018, of *Interval World* is Promthep Clock Tower on Phuket, Thailand. The winners of the portable smartphone chargers with a built-in LED flashlight are Heather Blackthorn of Vancouver, Washington; Margaret Elliot of Bakersfield, California; Beth Hovanec of Clinton, Pennsylvania; William Kelly of Glastonbury, Connecticut; Hugh Lee of Oakland, California; Neva and George Miller of Sequim, Washington; Kenneth and Diane Orr of Richardson, Texas; Erika Owens of Oak Park, California; Allison Southam of Herriman, Utah; and Jennifer Triscik of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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# AN UP-CLOSE LOOK AT SAN FRANCISCO'S LOMBARD STREET



**I**t's eight hairpin turns have earned San Francisco's Lombard Street the nickname "the crookedest street in the world." And while today's visitors delight in the downhill-only slalom, the block-long twisted portion of turns was constructed in 1922 for safety reasons — with a 27 per cent incline, residents feared the street was too dangerous for the vehicles at the time.

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this zigzag of curves, you'll want to go by car. A sign suggests taking the drive at a cautious 5 mph. You can also ride a cable car up the hill and traverse down by foot. At the top, discover views of San Francisco Bay, the Bay Bridge, and Coit Tower. Stroll down the steep redbrick path lined with stately Victorian homes and manicured lawns where, at the bottom, postcard-worthy shots of cars winding down past colorful blooms of hydrangeas and roses await.



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