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Two for the Road

You've exchanged vows, toasts, and forkfuls of cake. Now it's time for a trip that keeps the fun and romance flowing. Maybe you're staying closer to home than you imagined, or postponing your two-week getaway and taking a minimoon now. Travel advisory: It can still be magical. We've scouted standout destinations between our country's two coasts and just beyond them, in Mexico, Hawaii, and the Caribbean. Whether you choose domestic bliss or nearby nirvana, a dreamy escape awaits.

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Ports to Paradise

With powdery sand or grassy dunes, salty air, and fresh-caught seafood at your fingertips, these oceanfront spots will send your spirits sailing.

Pacific Northwest

WHERE TO STAY If Wes Anderson ran a summer camp, it would look like **Captain Whidbey Inn**, a 1907 log-cabin lodge on Whidbey Island, one and a half hours northwest of Seattle. The bed's a crisp king instead of a bunk, but the carefree activities are the same: canoeing, swimming, hiking, and s'mores. Or leave the world behind and book an Airstream or Scandi-style cabin at **Bay Point Landing** (above), in Coos Bay, Oregon. Play shuffleboard, take a dip, and watch the sun set while you grill your own catch of the day.

THE DETAILS Captain Whidbey Inn, from \$335 a night, captainwhidbey.com. Bay Point Landing, from \$184 a night, baypointlanding.com.

New England

WHERE TO STAY Newport, Rhode Island, is a storybook Atlantic-seaboard town, with a bustling harbor and clam-bake-ready coves. Reside right on the wharf at **Hammetts Hotel**, which has 84 industrial-meets-nautical rooms and an Italian restaurant with killer views. **The Wayfinder Hotel's** cozy lounge spaces, local artwork, and vintage finds give it a retro beach-town feel. The rooms feature antique-trunk nightstands and local Shore Soap Co. toiletries. For outdoor antics, there's a pool, firepit, and raw bar.

THE DETAILS Hammetts Hotel, from \$199 a night, hammettshotel.com. Wayfinder Hotel, from \$159 a night, thewayfinderhotel.com.

South Florida

WHERE TO STAY You'll feel like you've jetted to the Mediterranean when you arrive at **White Elephant**, in Palm Beach, where black-and-white-striped umbrellas surround the turquoise pool. Stroll or bike over to hit the waves, and don't miss the ice-cream trolley. To experience an art-deco icon, book **Palihouse Miami Beach**. Splash in the palm-ringed pool, then pick up a picnic lunch and hitch a ride in the beach butler's open-top Moke to a pristine stretch of sand.

THE DETAILS White Elephant Palm Beach, from \$650 a night, whiteelephantpalmbeach.com. Palihouse Miami Beach, from \$200 a night, palisociety.com.

Wild Wonders

Surreal sunrises and out-of-this-world stargazing bookend your days at these nature retreats, where the dining and accommodations are as awe-inspiring as the landscapes.



California

WHERE TO STAY Get *hygge* in one of the knotty-wood cabins with freestanding tubs, fireplaces, and custom-made furniture at **Wylder Hope Valley**, in the Sierra Nevadas, two hours east of Sacramento. There's also a refurbished 1951 Spartan trailer, and rustic (no plumbing or electricity) or deluxe yurts, all with lofty ceilings and mountain views for miles. Grab provisions at the on-site general store and whip up dinner in your kitchen, or leave the dishes to Sorensen's all-day café, which serves up home-cooked stews and cobblers.

THE DETAILS Wylder Hope Valley, from \$200 a night, wylderhotels.com.

South Dakota

WHERE TO STAY The low-key seasonal glampsite **Under Canvas** lies in the craggy granite Black Hills, just 15 minutes from Mount Rushmore. Its deluxe tents are undeniably posh—set on platforms, with plush king beds, private baths stocked with organic EO products, and wood-burning stoves. After a day of hiking or rock-climbing, head to the kitchen for pan-roasted walleye or bison burgers, then grab a s'mores kit (jumbo homemade marshmallows, of course) and a seat around the firepit.

THE DETAILS Under Canvas Mount Rushmore, from \$314 a night, undercanvas.com.

Utah

WHERE TO STAY Luxury resort Aman-giri's idea of roughing it is **Camp Sarika** (above): 10 tented pavilions with private plunge pools and 360-degree views set a few miles farther into the desert. A four-hour drive from Las Vegas or Phoenix, it has its own spa and restaurant, but guests can pop over to the main facilities anytime. You can explore the many neighboring national parks, go boating on Lake Powell, dine on southwestern Native American cuisine, and do some serious stargazing—every suite has a telescope.

THE DETAILS Camp Sarika by Amangiri, from \$3,500 a night, all-inclusive, aman.com.

Montana

WHERE TO STAY Sleep high among the pines in one of 12 glass-and-steel houses (four of them actual tree houses) at **The Green O**, 35 minutes east of Missoula. You'll fill days horseback riding, biking, hiking, or snowshoeing on the ranch's 37,000 acres, and evenings savoring locavore feasts (imagine flaky whole-roasted rainbow trout, tender bison steaks, and a medley of seasonal vegetables). Slide into your private hot tub, and you'll see why this region is called Big Sky Country.

THE DETAILS The Green O, from \$2,100 a night, all-inclusive, thegreeno.com.

Texas

WHERE TO STAY A modernist dream six miles from Big Bend National Park, **Willow House** has 12 concrete casitas, all in a desert-rock-inspired palette with southwestern flair (alpaca throws, leather sling chairs). It's remote—a four-and-a-half-hour drive east from El Paso, or a seven-to-nine-hour trip west from Austin, San Antonio, or Dallas—but in a good way, with easy access to unforgettable hiking. For company, head to the main house's communal kitchen and dining table, or day-trip to the art enclave of Marfa, a two-hour drive northwest.

THE DETAILS Willow House, from \$315 a night, willowhouse.co.

Tennessee

WHERE TO STAY Rising amid the Great Smoky Mountains (yet a 25-minute drive from the Knoxville airport) is **Blackberry Mountain**, the outdoorsy sister of legendary farm-to-table resort Blackberry Farm. Wake up in one of the beautifully appointed lodgings, then combine creative pursuits—from mountain biking and hiking to pottery and gardening workshops—with infinity-pool dips, yoga, gourmet dinners, and beer and wine tastings.

THE DETAILS Blackberry Mountain, from \$1,045 a night, including some meals and activities, blackberrymountain.com.