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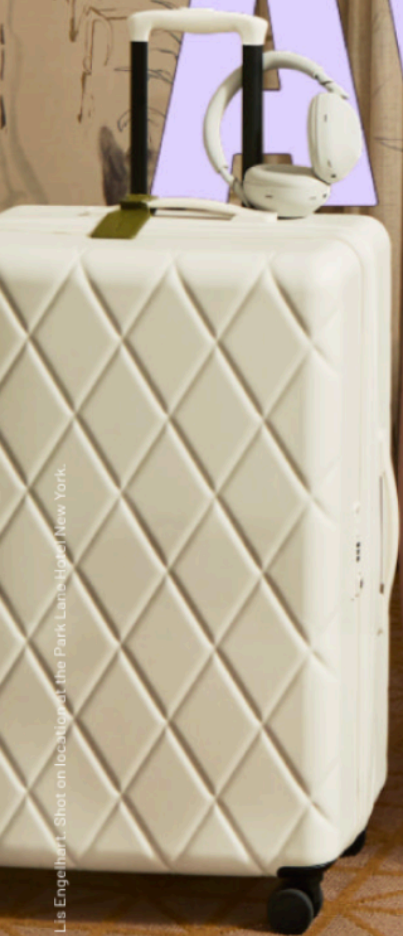


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# TRAVEL AWARDS



The best trips strike the perfect balance between effortless and extraordinary. These winners—evaluated by the Good Housekeeping Institute and hundreds of travel testers—showcase the destinations and gear that will make your next vacation both seamless and unforgettable.



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# Standout U.S. Spots



## A Home Run for Fun

A Dallas suburb, **Frisco, TX**, delivers next-level family fun, from watching the minor-league baseball team RoughRiders while floating on a lazy river to being hands-on at the National Video Game Museum. KidZania lets kids try more than 100 careers through immersive role-play.

**TESTER NOTES:** One mom said watching the game from the lazy river was her son's "best day ever," and others praised the family-friendly Omni PGA Frisco Resort & Spa and The Westin Dallas Stonebriar Golf Resort & Spa.

FRISCO, TEXAS

## Surf's Up!

**Huntington Beach, CA**, makes family travel effortless with 10 miles of surf-ready shoreline, kid-friendly lessons, wide lifeguarded beaches, and a new accessible playground for children of all abilities. Evening fire rings add classic SoCal vibes.

**TESTER NOTES:** Our tester praised thoughtful touches—from beach mats for wheelchair access to a kids' reading nook—and loved the Paséa Hotel and Spa as well as noteworthy dining at Primecut Taqueria and Duke's.

HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIFORNIA

## Sustainable and Scenic

Just outside Seattle, **Bellevue, WA**, is an eco-conscious community with engaging museums, more than 100 open spaces, and a city-wide free rideshare app with a fleet that includes electric Kias. Bellevue is an easy escape that feels like far more than a side trip from Seattle.

**TESTER NOTES:** "Kayaking on Lake Washington was very peaceful, and the views of Bellevue and Seattle were amazing," said our tester, who traveled with her college-age son.

BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

## Fresh Air, Free Activities

Nestled between the Appalachian Mountains and the Outer Banks beaches, **Raleigh, NC**, is quickly emerging as a standout family destination, offering free museums, green spaces, and the new Gipson Play Plaza, with climbing structures and a sensory maze.

**TESTER NOTES:** "The vibe was amazing," said our tester, who brought her 9-year-old to experience the offerings. "I never think of leaving my city, but if I did, I'd move to Raleigh."

RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA



## STUNNING CITY HOTELS

### NEW YORK CITY CHARM

With incredible views of Central Park (especially from its rooftop lounge), **Park Lane New York** stands out for its prime location in midtown Manhattan and the whimsical design throughout its rooms and common spaces.

**TESTER NOTES:** "I've stayed in a few dozen hotels in New York City, and Park Lane is my favorite so far," said our tester.

PARK LANE NEW YORK, NEW YORK CITY

### UPSCALE FOR ALL

It's all in the details at **The St. Regis Chicago**, like a treasure chest with jars of treats, books and toys for kids to borrow, and a complimentary reception where a champagne bottle is opened with a sword.

**TESTER NOTES:** Our tester said the meals were a hit: "The most delicious food we had on our trip was at the hotel."

THE ST. REGIS CHICAGO

### SOUTHERN HOSPITALITY

A boutique hotel in Charleston, **Emeline** is home to Frannie & Fox, a restaurant that locals swear is one of the city's best. It's also walkable to many local shops and attractions.

**TESTER NOTES:** Our tester loved their "vintage-meets-modern" room and the hotel's location in historic downtown Charleston.

EMLINE, CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

### FAMILY PLAYTIME

Known for its lush atriums and impressive kids' programming, **Gaylord Hotels** offers six locations across the country. Five of them even have water parks!

**TESTER NOTES:** The fun factor and the lifeguards' vigilance at the water parks impressed our testers, who visited locations near San Diego, Denver, and Orlando.

GAYLORD HOTELS, MULTIPLE LOCATIONS