

# TRAVEL+ LEISURE

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Despite the sugar highs and romantic dinners for two of Valentine's Day, February can be the hardest of winter months. The excitement of the first winter snow has long faded, but there's still a month to go before spring begins. This month marks the home stretch — that last slog through snow-filled sidewalks and windchill that make us want to hide under the covers.

Take a page out of our book, and spice things up with a trip to balmy Key West — where it's the dry season — or to North Carolina to go kayaking next to wild horses.



## **Beaufort, North Carolina**

For couples seeking an intimate getaway this month, there's plenty to discover in the coastal town of Beaufort, North Carolina. Despite brisk weather, February means reduced rates at places like The Inn on Turner, a family-run bed and breakfast celebrated for gourmet daily breakfasts and nightly wine hours (in the summer, these take place in lush gardens adjoining the house). Wild horses are the main attraction here, and the shiny-maned beauts can be spotted up-close during a kayaking expedition with Beaufort Paddle.