Palm Springs flows with glamour: Beloved by stars of stage and screen - and golfers - get set to be dazzled by this Californian honeypot in the desert

- · Nigel Tisdall stays at the Ingleside Inn, a 1920s hotel that offers a sense of 'genuine old Hollywood glamour'
- He gets 'plenty of surprises' on a Legends and Icons tour visiting one of Liberace's mansions is a highlight
- Nigel stops by the aviation-themed bar PS Air, which has original aircraft seating, to listen to live music

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Marilyn Monroe's legs are towering above me in a joyous, 26ft statue of the screen goddess by artist Seward Johnson.

It recreates her famous over-the-subway-grate pose from the 1955 film The Seven Year Itch and was erected last year outside the Palm Springs Art Museum.

The brazen, knickers-flashing sculpture has become a favourite photo-op for visitors to the Californian desert city where the 19-year-old beauty was discovered by a glamour photographer in 1945.