

#### **» FOR THE ULTIMATE ADRENALINE JUNKIE** FAIRMONT MIRAMAR HOTEL & BUNGALOWS

What can you do in a single day? At the Fairmont Miramar Hotel & Bungalows in Santa Monica, try this adventurous itinerary on for size: climb Joshua Tree National Park's majestic granite domes, mountain bike or ski the slopes at Big Bear Lake, and then hop on a private plane and helicopter to Catalina Island to go stand-up paddle boarding, swimming or snorkeling, closing out the day with dinner aboard a private boat.

The SoCal Trifecta Adventure offers a uniquely thrilling way to explore the area's natural beauty and one-of-a-kind outdoor opportunities. The package starts at \$55,000 for up to six guests with a two-night stay in the Fairmont Miramar's sumptuous three-bedroom presidential suite, Bungalow One. fairmont.com/santa-monica

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#### **>> FOR THE LUXE GLOBE-TROTTER MAJESTIC HOTEL & SPA** BARCELONA

Opened on Paseo de Gracia in 1918, Majestic Hotel & Spa Barcelona has earned its reputation as an "icon of exclusiveness" with nearly a century of devotion to elegance and tradition. The hotel's guest list includes the likes of Queen Maria Cristina of Austria, Picasso and Hemingway.

Known in art circles as "El Hotel Del Arte," the Majestic features more than 1,000

works in a prized private collection. Three restaurant venues, including the lauded Petit Comitè by Nandu Jubany, put fine dining at your fingertips. Don't miss the rooftop terrace bar La Dolce Vitae, with its spectacular city views, or the Majestic Spa, which offers lavish treatments like the Diamond Rose Ritual, a body treatment incorporating roses and diamond dust.

The hotel's new "Barcelona by Scooter" program makes city exploration easy: for 50 euros, rent a scooter with helmets, a backpack filled with water and snacks and an iPad pre-loaded with a city map and themed itineraries. hotelmajestic.es/en





#### **>> FOR THE AVID OUTDOORS PERSON** CHATTANOOGA

Chattanooga's southern grace is just the beginning of its appeal—this scenic Tennessee city is a hub for outdoor lovers. A verdant landscape of mountains, rivers and valleys offers a rich playground for visitors who enjoy hiking, climbing, biking and paddling. In many cases, no experience is necessary to try an activity, even for more extreme pursuits like white-water rafting or hang gliding. Most venues are just a short drive from downtown, so you can end a day of outside adventure with upscale dining and a cozy little bed-and-breakfast. chattanoogafun.com

### **>> FOR THE JET-SETTER PACKING** TIP

A hair dryer can be bulky, but if you don't bring your own, you run the risk of a hotel dryer not working well, or not working at all. Pack light with a compact or folding hair dryer. Just like full-size models, compact dryers can range in price from less than \$20 to more than \$200, offering various features and levels of quality. If traveling abroad, look for a model with dual voltage so you don't have to worry about an additional adaptor.

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#### **SOR THE BUSINESS OR LEISURE TRAVELER UNION PEARSON** EXPRESS

A convenient new airport express train ferries passengers from Toronto's main airport, Pearson International, to the city's bustling downtown. Leaving every 15 minutes during normal airport hours to complete the trip to Union Station in less than a half-hour, the Union Pearson Express offers a fast and reliable mode of travel to and from the city center's many attractions and destinations, avoiding common traffic jams. Online ticketing makes getting on board a breeze, and free Wi-Fi is available throughout the journey. upexpress.com



## **Son the beach bound**

This ultra-luxury resort is a top destination in Los Cabos, offering unparalleled amenities and activities for visitors who escape to the dazzling Baja Peninsula. In addition to the only swimmable resort beach in the area, One&Only Palmilla features two infinity-edge pools overlooking the sea. Reserve a romantic floating bed on the beach, go deep sea fishing, learn to surf, watch gray whales surface offshore, play golf on Jack Nicklaus' first signature course built in Latin America, or plan countless other exceptional experiences. This tropical wonderland is yours to explore.

Following recent renovations, One&Only Palmilla has unveiled enhanced guest rooms and suites, as well as a new 22,000-square-foot indoor/outdoor spa and fitness center and the acclaimed steakhouse SEARED, a collaboration with Michelin-starred chef Jean-Georges Vongerichten. palmilla.oneandonlyresorts.com

# SFOR THE SUN WORSHIPPER THE ISLAND HOUSE

The Bahamas see more than 300 days of sunshine every year. A visit to The Island House, a new, 30-room boutique hotel in West Nassau, is the perfect way to capitalize on those restorative rays. Here, local spirit meets contemporary design and a fresh approach to indulgence; highlights include a Bamford Spa, a 48-seat cinema, unique activities and a variety of gourmet restaurants. Each guest room, filled with bespoke furnishings and contemporary art, boasts a rain shower, private outdoor terrace and garden or ocean view.

In November, the property will host The Island House Invitational Triathlon, a race that will bring together 20 of the world's best triathletes to vie for one of the sport's largest prize purses. Look for special fitness packages at The Island House inspired by this prestigious event. the-island-house.com