



THE TRAVEL ISSUE

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THE WEST

217 TRANSFORMATIVE TRIPS



Transporting Resorts,
Charming Towns, Spectacular
Restaurants, Epic Parks,
Idyllic Wineries, Superlative
Spas, and More!



ISLAND DREAMS
COCKTAILS ON KAUAI
MODERN HAWAIIAN
RECIPES
WEST MAUI PLANNER

The stunning
I Hotel Hanalei Bay

LUXURY TAHOE
RETREAT

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SAN FRANCISCO

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TRAVEL & ESCAPES

2025

The Sunset Travel Awards

From the coast to the mountains to the desert and beyond, the West is where travelers can live life to the fullest. Here are the most transporting experiences in this beautiful place we call home.

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Tidal pools at
Four Seasons
Resort Hualalai

Lodge at Marconi



Trailborn Grand Canyon

Trailborn Grand Canyon is a stylish new stay, just minutes from the Grand Canyon Railway and South Rim entrance, bringing design-forward lodging to the edge of Kaibab National Forest. With family-friendly amenities like a reimagined saloon-style Camp Hall, Miss Kitty's steakhouse & Bar, a pool, hot tub, and outdoor games, it's the perfect base camp for your next national park adventure.

Camp Denali

Camp Denali is a remote, fly-in lodge in the heart of Denali National Park, offering 19 cozy Alaskan cabins with sweeping views of the Alaska Range. Family-owned since 1952, the camp invites guests to connect with the wild through naturalist-led hikes, communal meals, and an authentic, off-grid experience true to its pioneering spirit.

Ofland Escalante

Set on over 20 acres near Grand Staircase-Escalante and Bryce Canyon, Ofland Escalante is a modern outdoor hotel offering 52 stylish accommodations—from tiny cabins to deluxe Airstreams—blending comfort with wild beauty. With spa-style bathhouses, a pool, food truck, drive-in movies, and access to five national parks, it's the ultimate base for

crowd-free adventure in Southern Utah.

Alila Ventana Big Sur

Sitting above the clouds high above Big Sur's dramatic coast, this is a slice of classic coastal California heaven. With wood-clad structures, a thermal spa, and rustic-chic rooms, it's the ultimate rich hippie-chic getaway. Indulge your inner seeker with one of its immersive experiences (knife-making, anyone?).

The Virginian Lodge

The Virginian Lodge in Jackson, Wyoming, blends retro charm with modern comfort, offering stylish rooms, an all-season pool, firepits, and on-site dining just minutes from Grand Teton and near Yellowstone. With live music, local events, and a cozy après-adventure vibe, it's the perfect base for exploring Jackson Hole's wild beauty and vibrant culture.

Under Canvas Yosemite

Under Canvas defined its own category of adventure stays when it launched its glamping tents in 2012, and its Yosemite property is a real showstopper. Set on 85 forested acres just 10 minutes from Yosemite's West Entrance and appointed with plush king beds, ensuite bathrooms, West Elm furnishings, and direct access to YARTS transit and nearby trails, this

upscale glamping experience offers effortless adventure and serenity in one of the nation's most iconic parks.

Grand Hyatt Deer Valley

Grand Hyatt Deer Valley is the newest luxury hotel in Park City and Grand Hyatt's debut in Utah, offering ski-in, ski-out access to Deer Valley's expanding East Village terrain. With alpine-inspired dining, ski butler services, elegant accommodations, and a dedicated Kids Club and game room, it's a family-friendly base for mountain adventure and luxury.

Salish Lodge & Spa

Salish Lodge & Spa, perched above the majestic Snoqualmie Falls, offers a quintessential Pacific Northwest retreat with its breathtaking views and luxurious accommodations. Guests are embraced by the serenity of nature, enjoying rooms with cozy fireplaces and soaking tubs, while dining on farm-to-table cuisine crafted from local ingredients. Activities range from indulging in rejuvenating spa treatments to exploring lush hiking trails, making it an ideal destination for those seeking a harmonious blend of relaxation and regional authenticity.

Hotel Marina Riviera

Big Bear Lake in California is definitely having a moment, and the recently restored Hotel