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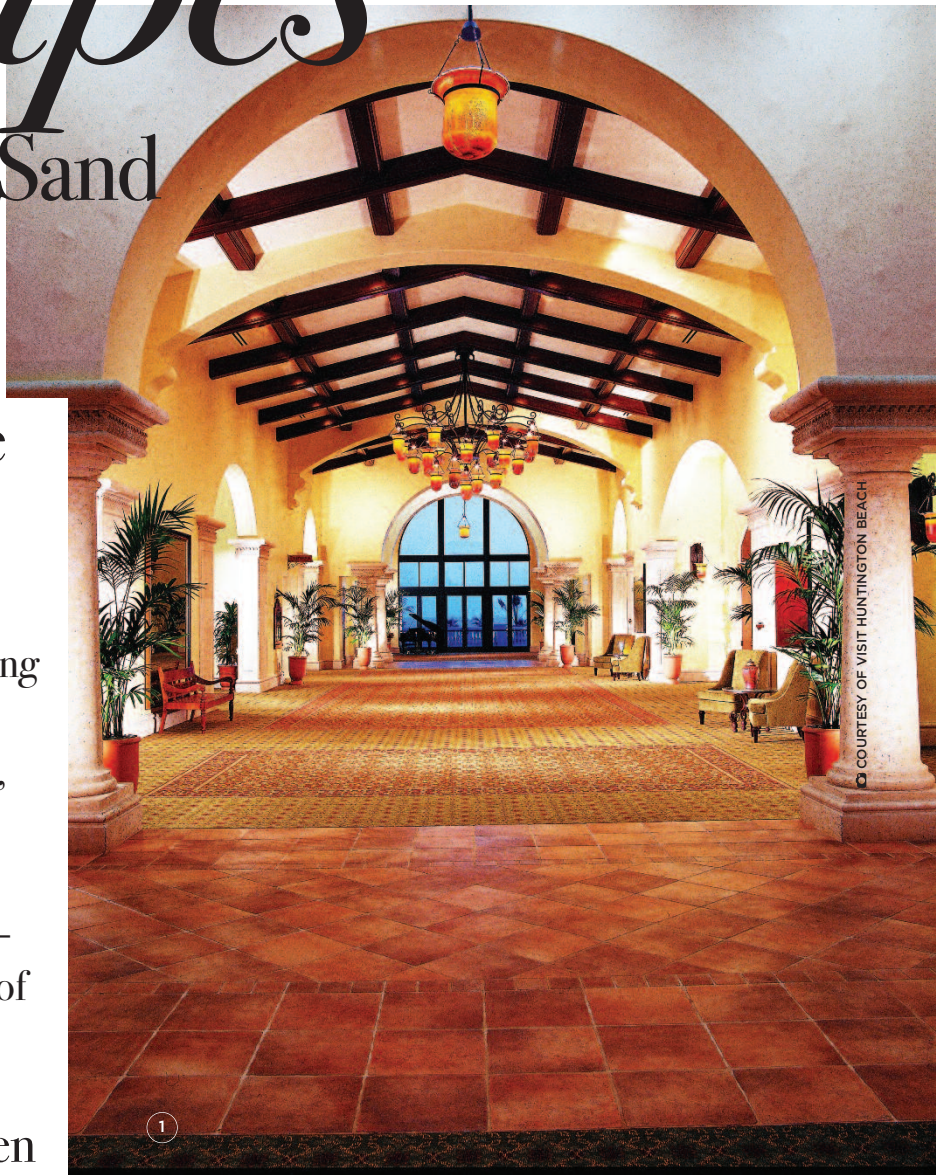


Summer Escapes

Splendor on the Sand

BY LINDA LANG

California's coastline offers lots of great resorts for weeklong or weekend *summer getaways*. There's something very special about a day on the beach with your significant other, family, or friends followed by a *glowing sunset* and *dinner* with the moon in a star-filled sky shimmering across water. Regardless of your destination, none are more complete with activities and nature's splendor than the golden days of summer. ☛



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CLOCKWISE FROM TOP:

1. The Spanish-inspired architecture of the Huntington Beach Hyatt Regency creates a warm SoCal ambience.
2. Perks at the main pool and hot tub at the Hotel del Coronado include complimentary towels, chaise lounges, kickboards and water toys.
3. Set on Butterfly Beach in Montecito, the buildings of the Four Seasons Resort The Biltmore Santa Barbara are encased by beautifully manicured gardens and walkways.



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Four Seasons Resort The Biltmore Santa Barbara

ON AMERICA'S RIVIERA lies a Spanish colonial treasure of glistening white adobe buildings with red tile roofs amid beautifully landscaped gardens cooled by soft ocean breezes. Since opening in 1927 and managed by Four Seasons since 1987, the Four Seasons Resort Santa Barbara has long been a favorite of Hollywood's elite and other discerning travelers.

Set on Butterfly Beach in Montecito, its 207 rooms and suites with fireplaces, deep soaking tubs and French doors are decorated with historic and custom-handcrafted furnishings and art. The award-winning 10,000 sq. ft. luxury spa offers three outdoor pools, two whirlpools, a state-of-the-art gym, and poolside service including delights from Santa Barbara's oldest ice cream shop. Activity options also include private beach volleyball lessons with two-time Olympian Todd Rogers, a day of surfing with hometown hero and three-time World Champion Tom Curren, tennis, fitness and yoga classes, Pilates, tennis, biking, and nearby golf, kayaking and sailing. The Monte Vista lawn, with its putting green and croquet lawn, was the setting for a wedding on *The Bachelor TV* show in 2014.

Perks for the kids include child-size bathrobes and complimentary children's toiletries. Kids for All Seasons offers daily supervised activities and certified babysitting can be arranged. Cats and dogs stay for free subject to conditions and booking confirmation. www.fourseasons.com/santabarbara | 844-638-1544



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4. Overlooking the Pacific, Four Seasons Resort The Biltmore Santa Barbara offers every oceanside luxury. 5. The Four Seasons Resort Santa Barbara has long been a retreat for celebs and other elite. 6. Channel Lane is one of many popular biking routes. 7. The resort's stunning beachfront Bella Vista Restaurant showcases Italian-inspired California cuisine. 8. The resort's 207 rooms and suites have beautiful ocean or garden views and every amenity.

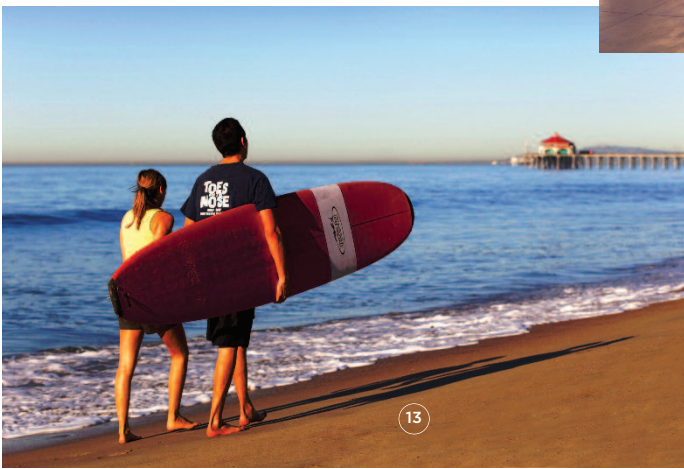
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Hyatt Regency Huntington Beach Resort & Spa

IN SURF CITY USA, across from the glistening sands, stands the Hyatt Regency Huntington Beach Resort & Spa. The Spanish-inspired resort offers 517 rooms and suites with private balconies or patios, 42" flat screen TVs, marble bathrooms, and free Wi-Fi. The 20,000 sq. ft. Pacific Waters Spa features a sauna, steam, waterfall showers, private whirlpools, outdoor relaxation areas, a salon, and state-of-the-art fitness center.

Family fun includes SLYDERS Water Playground with three water slides, two splash and one wading pool, main pool, and two fire pits. For sophisticated dining, WATERTABLE, the resort's new restaurant and gastro bar, is making its mark on the local dining scene. Less formal options include Pete's Sunset Grille with cuisine and drinks inspired by worldwide surfing destinations, and Mankota's Grill, named for the legendary Native American who sacrificed himself to the sea to assure perfect surfing conditions for Huntington Beach. Pete's also has a live concert series July 1 - Sept. 14 featuring The Answer, Goodfellaz, Chain Reaction, Buck Wildstar, Brad Wilson, Jumpin Jack Benny, and Instant Replay.

Toes on the Nose has onsite rentals including surfboards, body boards, wetsuits, and more. If you're interested in bike rentals or sky diving, just ask the hotel's concierge. Camp Hyatt offers supervised activities for guests ages 3-12. www.hyatt.com/HuntingtonBeach | 714-698-1234

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9. Toasting s'mores around one of the hotel's fire pits is a popular family favorite. 10. The Hyatt Regency Huntington Beach Resort & Spa offers 517 rooms and suites with private balconies or patios. 11. Family activities often include building sandcastles other creations on the warm sand. 12. Rooms overlook the ocean and have all the modern amenities including marble bathrooms, flat screen TVs, and free Wi-Fi access. 13. Long stretches of pristine beach are just across the road from the Hyatt.

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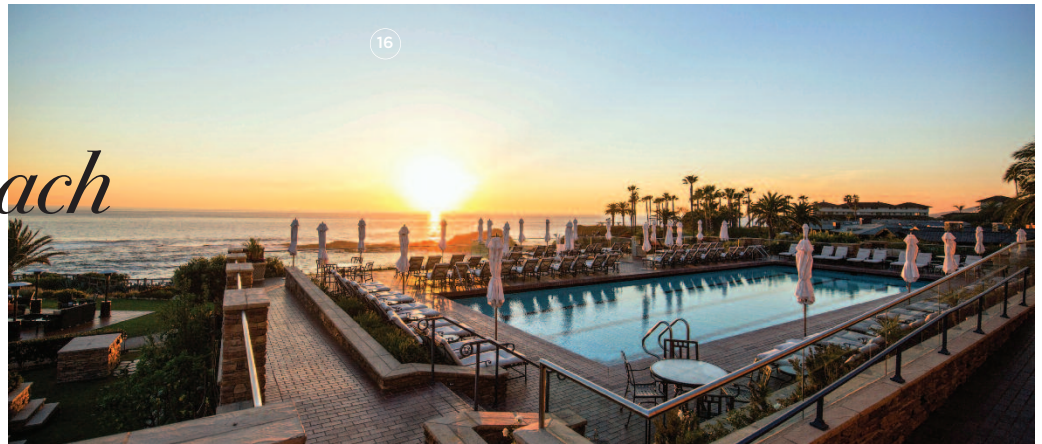
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Montage Laguna Beach

ON A BLUFF high above the Pacific, Montage Laguna Beach offers 30 acres of seaside luxury. Just steps away is the town with its fine shops, galleries, dining and activities encased in seven miles of glistening sand, crashing surf, hidden coves and rolling landscapes. It's the perfect setting for biking, all water sports, golf and more.

Its elegant 248 guest rooms and suites all feature panoramic ocean views, private patios or balconies and marble baths. A great spot to enjoy a few rays or poolside cabana is the Mosaic Pool overlooking the ocean. The 20,000 sq. ft. Spa Montage offers eucalyptus steam rooms, dry redwood saunas, ocean air whirlpools, fireplace lounges, state-of-the-art fitness center, and lap pool. Dining options include Studio which showcases modern French cuisine infused with California influences. The Loft, also popular with guests and locals, offers all-day dining while the more intimate Loft Bistro has its own casual menu. Poolside dining in the Mosaic Bar and Grille features salads, grilled sandwiches, fresh seafood, and in summer, live entertainment nightly and all day Saturday and Sunday.

June 24 through August 28 is the big season for Laguna Beach art festivities. The famed Pageant of the Masters, exhibitions, workshops, and art tours and are among the daily offerings. Art-A-Fair attracts some 125 artists in all mediums who create their works as you walk among them, and The Sawdust Art & Craft features the works of more than 200 local artists. www.montagehotels.com/lagunabeach | 949-715-6000



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14. The mosaic pool is one of the resort's dramatic features. 15. The Ocean Horizon Suite is one of 248 rooms and suites furnished with every luxury. 16. The view from the spa pool is spectacular. 17. Panoramic views from the Studio restaurant's terrace are mesmerizing. 18. Dining options include Studio which showcases modern French cuisine infused with California influences.

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Hotel Del Coronado

FOR MORE THAN 125 years, Hotel del Coronado has epitomized luxury beach resort living. Designated a National Historic Landmark in 1977, it has attracted Hollywood's elite: U.S. presidents Franklin D. Roosevelt, Gerald Ford and Jimmy Carter; and a long list of other notables. Its signature exterior was also the setting for Marilyn Monroe, Tony Curtis and Jack Lemmon's 1958 film classic, *"Some Like it Hot."*

Today, accommodations range from historic Victorian to modern in Ocean Towers, poolside California Cabana buildings, and right on the sand, one to 3-bedroom Beach Village villas and free-standing cottages with fireplaces, marble baths, and patios or balconies.

Among a long list of activities are sunset clambakes with live music and beach games; roasting marshmallows around your private beach bonfire; relaxing poolside in a luxury cabana with a sofa lounge, large TV, refrigerator; yoga on the sand, and fitness classes on the lawn. There's biking, boogie boarding, beach spin, sailing, surfing, spin, stand-up paddleboarding, and across the street is Glorietta Marina where you can take sailing lessons, rent a speedboat, jet ski, water ski, kayak, paddleboat, fish or sail aboard a captained private yacht.

All kids receive a DelVenture Survival Pack with goodies including a Scavenger Hunt Map, and the Kidtopia activity center offers a DelVenture program for kids ages 4-12 featuring hour-long day activities and evening adventures. ❖

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19. Sunsets are stunning at the Del. 20. Dogs and cats are also treated royally with amenities including a pet dining menu, treats, personalized pet tags, toys, bedding and more. 21. Beach Village cottages and villas range from one to 3-bedroom and have direct beach access. 22. The Del's Beach Village accommodations open directly onto the sand. 23. For over 125 years, the iconic Hotel del Coronado has been in the forefront of the finest in luxury beach resort living.

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