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## Gold List

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Castello di Casole in Tuscany. For more  
dream-worthy hotels, see page 65.

**Anguilla** Viceroy, **Antigua & Barbuda** Curtain Bluff; Jumbo Bay. **Argentina** Alvear Palace Hotel, Buenos Aires; Four Seasons Hotel Buenos Aires; Palacio Duhaupark Hyatt Buenos Aires; Sofitel Buenos Aires. **Arizona** Enchantment Resort, Sedona; Four Seasons Resort Scottsdale at Troon North; L'Auberge de Sedona; Rancho de los Caballeros, Wickenburg; Ritz-Carlton, Dove Mountain, Tucson; Sanctuary on Camelback Mountain Resort and Spa, Scottsdale. **Arkansas** 21C Museum Hotel, Bentonville. **Australia** Park Hyatt Sydney; **Qualia**, Hamilton Island. **Austria** Hotel Goldener Hirsch (Luxury Collection), Salzburg; Hotel Sacher, Vienna. **Bahamas** Graycliff Hotel, Nassau; One&Only Ocean Club, Paradise Island; Rock House, Harbour Island. **Belize** Hamanasi Adventure & Dive Resort, Hopkins. **Bermuda** Pompano Beach Club; The Reef. **Botswana** Camp Okavango; Momo and Little Momo Camps. **Brazil** Copacabana Palace, Rio de Janeiro; Fasano Hotel Rio de Janeiro; Fasano Hotel São Paulo. **British Virgin Islands** Rosewood Little Dix Bay. **Burma** Governor's Residence, Rangoon. **California** Auberge du Soleil, Napa; Bardessono, Napa; Bernardus Lodge & Winery, Carmel Valley; Beverly Hills Hotel; Calistoga Ranch, Napa; Carneros Inn, Napa; Casa Palmero, Pebble Beach; Cavallo Point, Sausalito; Château du Sureau, Oakhurst; CordeValle (Rosewood), San Martin; Four Seasons Hotel Los Angeles at Beverly Hills; Four Seasons Resort The Biltmore Santa Barbara; Hotel Bel-Air, Los Angeles; Hotel Les Mars, Healdsburg; Hotel Valencia Santana Row, San Jose; Inn at Spanish Bay, Pebble Beach; L'Ermitage Beverly Hills; Lodge at Pebble Beach; Meadowood Napa Valley; Montage Beverly Hills; Montage Laguna Beach; Ojai Valley Inn & Spa; The Peninsula, Beverly Hills; Post Ranch Inn, Big Sur; Rancho Valencia Resort & Spa, Rancho Santa Fe; Resort at Pelican Hill, Newport Beach; Ritz-Carlton, Half Moon Bay; Ritz-Carlton, Laguna Niguel; Ritz-Carlton, Lake Tahoe; San Ysidro Ranch, Santa Barbara; Solage Calistoga, Napa; St. Regis, San Francisco; Terranea Resort, Rancho Palos Verdes; Ventana Inn & Spa, Big Sur; Villagio Inn and Spa, Yountville; Vintage Inn, Yountville. **Cambodia** La Residence d'Angkor, Siem Reap; Raffles Grand Hotel d'Angkor, Siem Reap; Sofitel Angkor Phokeethra Golf and Spa Resort, Siem Reap; Sofitel Phnom Penh Phokeethra. **Canada** Auberge Saint-Antoine, Quebec City; Black Rock Oceanfront Resort, Ucluelet; Fairmont Château Lake Louise; Fairmont Château Whistler; Fairmont Le Château Frontenac, Quebec City; Fairmont Pacific Rim, Vancouver; Fairmont Vancouver Airport; Fairmont Waterfront, Vancouver; Four Seasons Resort Whistler; Hastings House, Salt Spring Island; Hazelton Hotel, Toronto; Hôtel Le Germain, Calgary; JW Marriott The Rosseau Muskoka Resort & Spa, Minnetonka; Langdon Hall Country House Hotel & Spa, Cambridge; Le Saint-Sulpice, Montreal; Moraine Lake Lodge, Lake Louise; Oban Inn Spa Restaurant, Niagara-on-the-Lake; Ritz-Carlton, Montreal; Rosewood Hotel Georgia, Vancouver; Sooke Harbour House, Vancouver Island; Trump International Hotel & Tower, Toronto; Wedgewood Hotel & Spa, Vancouver; Wickaninnish Inn, Tofino. **Cayman Islands** Ritz-Carlton, Grand Cayman. **China** Fairmont Peace Hotel, Shanghai; Four Seasons Hotel Beijing; Four Seasons Hotel Hangzhou at West Lake; Four Seasons Hotel Hong Kong; Island Shangri-La Hotel, Hong Kong; Kowloon Shangri-La Hotel, Hong Kong; Mandarin Oriental, Hong Kong; The Peninsula, Hong Kong; The Peninsula, Shanghai; Portman Ritz-Carlton, Shanghai; Pudong Shangri-La, Shanghai; PuLi Hotel and Spa, Shanghai; The Regent, Beijing; Ritz-Carlton, Beijing; Ritz-Carlton Beijing, Financial Street; Ritz-Carlton Shanghai, Pudong; Sofitel Wanda, Beijing; St. Regis Lhasa Resort; W. Hong Kong; Waldorf Astoria Shanghai on the Bund; Westin Beijing Financial Street; Westin Bund Center, Shanghai. **Colombia** JW Marriott Hotel Bogota; Sofitel Legend Santa Clara Cartagena. **Colorado** Arrabelle at Vail Square; Beaumont Hotel and Spa, Ouray; The Broadroom, Colorado Springs; Dunton Hot Springs, Dolores; Fairmont Heritage Place, Franz Klammer Lodge, Telluride; Four Seasons Resort Vail; Hotel Teatro, Denver; Inn at Lost Creek, Telluride; Little Nell, Aspen; Lumière Telluride; Oxford Hotel, Denver; Park Hyatt Beaver Creek Resort and Spa; Sonnenalp Resort of Vail; The Sebastian-Vail; St. Regis Aspen Resort; Viceroy Snowmass; Westin Riverfront Resort & Spa at Beaver Creek Mountain. **Connecticut** Mayflower Inn & Spa, Washington. **Costa Rica** Finca Rosa Blanca Coffee Plantation & Inn; Four Seasons Resort Costa Rica at Peninsula Papagayo; Lapa Rios Ecological; Nayara Hotel, Spa & Gardens. **Croatia** Esplanade Zagreb. **Czech Republic** Four Seasons Hotel Prague; Mandarin Oriental, Prague. **District of Columbia** Four Seasons Hotel Washington, D.C.; Hay-Adams Hotel, Washington, D.C. **Dominica** Roseale Hotel. **Dominican Republic** Peninsula House, Las Terrenas. **Egypt** Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at The First Residence. **England** 41, London; Chesterfield Mayfair, London; Chewton Glen, New Forest; The Connaught, London; Four Seasons Hotel Hampshire; The Goring, London; The Lansborough, London; Le Manoir aux Quat'Saisons, Great Milton; The Savoy, London; Soho Hotel, London. **Finland** Hotel Kamp (Luxury Collection), Helsinki. **Florida** Arnold Palmer's Bay Hill Club & Lodge, Orlando; Brazilian Court Hotel & Beach Club, Palm Beach; The Breakers Palm Beach; Little Palm Island Resort & Spa, Little Torch Key; Mandarin Oriental, Miami; Marquessa Hotel, Key West; Ocean Key Resort & Spa, Key West; Pillars Hotel, Fort Lauderdale; Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island; Ritz-Carlton, Naples; Sandpearl Resort, Clearwater Beach; The Setai, Miami Beach; Tides South Beach; WaterColor Inn & Resort, Santa Rosa Beach. **France** Chateau de la Chèvre d'Or, Èze; Château de la Grèce, Grasse; Domaine les Crayères, Bézu; Four Seasons Hotel George V, Paris; Hotel Byblos, St-Tropez; Hôtel du Cap-Eden, Cap d'Antibes; Hôtel du Palais, Biarritz; Hôtel de Ville, Beaune; Hôtel Moza, Vénissieux, Paris; La Villa Gallie, Aix-en-Provence; The Bristol Paris; Le Meurice, Paris; Mandarin Oriental, Paris; Park Hyatt Paris-Vendôme; Shangri-La Hotel, Paris. **French Polynesia** Bora Bora Pearl Beach Resort & Spa; Four Seasons Resort Bora Bora; Hilton Moorea Lagoon Resort & Spa; InterContinental Bora Bora Resort & Thalasso Spa; InterContinental Le Moana Bora Bora; St. Regis Bora Bora Resort; The Hare Beach Resort, Huahine; Georgia The Chester Sea Island, Lodge at Sea Island, St. Simons Island; St. Regis Atlanta. **Germany** Hotel Adlon Kempinski Berlin; Mandarin Oriental, Munich; Park Hyatt Hamburg; Regent Berlin; Ritz-Carlton, Berlin; Greece Blue Palace Resort & Spa (Luxury Collection), Crete; Hotel Grande Bretagne (Luxury Collection), Athens; Mykonos Grand Hotel & Resort; Mystique, Santorini; Perivolos, Santorini. **Hawaii** Fairmont Kea Lani, Maui; Fairmont Orchid, Big Island; Four Seasons Resort Hualalai; Halekulani, Kāʻunapūhale; Kaʻunapūhale, Big Island; Four Seasons Resort Lanai at Manele Bay; Four Seasons Resort Lanai The Lodge at Kōle; Four Seasons Resort Maui at Wailea; Grand Hyatt Kauai Resort & Spa; Halekulani, Honolulu; Moana Kai Resort & Spa, Maui; Koʻa Kea Hotel & Resort, Kauai; St. Regis Princeville Resort, Kauai; Trump International Hotel Wailea, Maui; Wailea Beach Villas, Maui. **Hungary** Corinthia Hotel Budapest; Four Seasons Gresham Palace Budapest. **Illinois** Conrad Chicago; Four Seasons Chicago; Park Hyatt Chicago; The Peninsula Chicago; Ritz-Carlton (Four Seasons) Chicago; Trump International Hotel & Tower, Chicago; Waldorf Astoria Chicago. **India** Leela Palace New Delhi; The Oberoi, Mumbai; Oberoi Amarvilas, Agra; Oberoi Rajvilas, Jaipur; Oberoi Udaivilas, Udaipur; Oberoi Vanyavilas, Bhubaneswar; Rambagh Palace (Tai), Jaipur; Taj Lake Palace, Udaipur; Taj Mahal Palace, Mumbai. **Indonesia** Amandari, Bali; Amanilla, Bali; Four Seasons Resort Bali at Sayan; St. Regis Bali Resort, Bali; The Oberoi, Bali. **Ireland** Adare Manor Hotel & Golf Resort, Ashford Castle Hotel; Ballyvaughan Castle Hotel; Dromoland Castle Hotel; Glenties Estate, County Donegal; Lough Eske Castle; The Merrion, Dublin; Mount Juliet Estate; Sheen Falls Lodge. **Israel** David Citadel Hotel, Jerusalem; Hotel de Sagredo Hotel, Venice; Castello Banfi-Il Borgo, Tuscany; Castello di Casole, Tuscany; Four Seasons Hotel Firenze; Four Seasons Hotel Milano; Grand Hotel Excelsior Vittoria, Sorrento; Grand Hotel Timeo, Sicily; Hasselmann, Sicily; Caesar Augustus, Capri; Hotel Capri, Ravello; Hotel Cipriani, Venice; Hotel de Russie, Rome; Hotel Lungarno, Florence; Hotel Santa Caterina, Florence; Hotel Splendid & Splendido Mare, Portofino; Il San Pietro di Positano; La Place, Florence; Le Sirenuse, Positano; Londra Palace, Venice; Palazzo Capra, Ravello; Park Hyatt Milan; San Domenico Palace, Sicily; St. Regis, Florence; Villa d'Este, Lake Como; Villa San Michele, Tuscany. **Jamaica** The Caves, Negril; Jamaica Inn, Ocho Rios. **Japan** Conrad Tokyo; Four Seasons Hotel Tokyo at Marunouchi; Grand Hyatt Tokyo; Mandarin Oriental, Tokyo; The Peninsula Tokyo; Ritz-Carlton, Tokyo. **Jordan** Four Seasons Hotel Amman; Mövenpick Resort & Spa Dead Sea, Kentucky 21C Museum Hotel, Louisville. **Kenya** Amboseli Serena Safari Lodge; Fairmont Mara Safari Club; Governors' Camps, Masai Mara; Mara Serena Safari Club; Sarova Mara Game Camp. **Maine** Chebeague Island Inn; Inn by the Sea, Cape Elizabeth; White Barn Inn & Spa, Kennebunkport. **Maldives** Conrad Maldives Rangali Island. **Maryland** Inn at Perry Cabin, St. Michaels. **Massachusetts** Blantyre, Lenox; Four Seasons Hotel Boston; Liberty Hotel (Luxury Collection), Boston; Mandarin Oriental, Boston; The Wauwinet, Nantucket; White Elephant Hotel, Nantucket; XV Beacon, Boston. **Mexico** Banyan Tree Cabo Marqués, Acapulco; Banyan Tree Mayakoba; Capella Ixtapa; Capella Pedregal, Los Cabos; El Dorado Maroma; Esperanza, Cabo San Lucas; Fairmont Mayakoba; Four Seasons Resort Punta Mita; Grand Solmar Land's End Resort & Spa, Cabo San Lucas; Grand Velas Riviera Maya; Grand Velas Riviera Nayarit; La Casa Que Canta, Zihuatanejo; Las Alcobas, Mexico City; Las Mananitas, Cuernavaca; Las Ventanas al Paraiso (Rosewood), Los Cabos; Le Blanc Spa Resort, Cancún; Maroma Resort & Spa, Riviera Maya; One&Only Palmilla, Los Cabos; Pueblo Bonito Sunset Beach Resort & Spa, Cabo San Lucas; Ritz-Carlton, Cancún; Rosewood Mayakoba; Rosewood San Miguel de Allende; Royal Playa del Carmen, Riviera Maya; Secrets Maroma Beach Riviera Cancun; St. Regis Punta Mita Resort; Viceroy Riviera Maya; Villa Rolandi Thalasso Spa, Gourmet & Beach Club, Isla Mujeres. **Missouri** Big Cedar Lodge, Ridgedale. **Monaco** Hotel de Paris. **Morocco** La Mamounia, Marrakech. **Netherlands** De L'Europe, Amsterdam. **Nevada** Bellagio, Las Vegas; Mandarin Oriental, Las Vegas; The Palazzo, Las Vegas; Wynn and Encore Wynn, Las Vegas. **New Hampshire** Wentworth by the Sea, New Castle. **New Jersey** Virginia Hotel, Cape May. **New Mexico** Inn of the Five Graces, Santa Fe; Rosewood Inn of the Anasazi, Santa Fe. **New York** Andaz 5th Avenue, New York; Crosby Street Hotel, New York; Four Seasons Hotel New York; Kimberly Hotel, New York; Lake Placid Lodge; Mandarin Oriental, New York; Mirror Lake Inn Resort and Spa, Lake Placid; Mohonk Mountain House, New Paltz; NoMad Hotel, New York; Peninsula New York; The Plaza, New York; Ritz-Carlton New York, Central Park; St. Regis, New York; Trump International Hotel & Tower, New York; Trump SoHo, New York. **New Zealand** Huka Lodge, Taupo; Lodge at Kauri Cliffs, Matauri Bay. **North Carolina** Farrington House Inn, Pittsboro; Inn on Biltmore Estate, Asheville; Old Edwards Inn and Spa, Highlands; Ritz-Carlton, Charlotte; Swag Country Inn, Smoky Mountains National Park; Umstead Hotel & Spa, Raleigh. **Ohio** 21C Museum Hotel, Cincinnati. **Oregon** Allister Inn & Spa, Willamette Valley; Tu Tu' Tun Lodge, Gold Beach. **Pennsylvania** Omni Bedford Springs Resort; Rittenhouse Hotel, Philadelphia. **Peru** Hotel Monasterio, Cuzco; Las Casitas del Colca, Colca Canyon; Tambo del Inka Resort & Spa (Luxury Collection), Urubamba. **Philippines** Edsa Shangri-La Hotel, Manila; Shangri-La's Boracay Resort & Spa, Visayas. **Portugal** Four Seasons Hotel Ritz Lisbon. **Puerto Rico** St. Regis Bahia Beach Resort. **Qatar** Four Seasons Hotel Doha. **Rhode Island** Chanler at Cliff Walk, Newport; Ocean House, Watch Hill. **Rwanda** Sabinyo Silverback Lodge, Parc National des Volcans. **Scotland** Glenaeles Hotel, Auchterarder; Turnberry Resort (Luxury Collection), Ayrshire. **Singapore** Fullerton Bay Hotel; Fullerton Hotel; Raffles Hotel; Ritz-Carlton, Millenia. **South Africa** Bushmans Kloof Wilderness Reserve; Cape Grace, Cape Town; La Residence, Franschhoek; Le Quartier Français, Franschhoek; Lion Sands, Sabi Sand; Londolozi Private Game Reserve and Camps; MalaMala Game Reserve, Sabi Sand; One&Only Cape Town; Oyster Box, Durban; Phinda Private Game Reserve; Sabi Sabi Private Game Reserve; Saxon Boutique Hotel, Johannesburg; Singita Kruger National Park; Singita Sabi Sand; Table Bay Hotel, Cape Town; Twelve Apostles Hotel and Spa, Cape Town. **South Carolina** Charleston Place, French Quarter Inn, Charleston; HarbourView Inn, Charleston; Inn at Palmetto Bluff, Bluffton; John Rutledge House Inn, Charleston; Market Pavilion Hotel, Charleston; Planters Inn, Charleston; Restoration on King, Charleston; Sanctuary at Kiawah Island Golf Resort; Wentworth Mansion, Charleston; The Willcox, Aiken. **Spain** Hotel 1898, Barcelona; Hotel Alfonso XIII, Seville; Hotel Arts, Barcelona; Hotel Villa Magna, Madrid; Mandarin Oriental, Barcelona; ME Madrid; Parador Santiago de Compostela. **St. Barts** Eden Rock; Hôtel Le Toiny; Hôtel Saint-Barth Isle de France. **St. Kitts & Nevis** Four Seasons Resort Nevis; Nisbet Plantation Beach Club, Nevis. **St. Lucia** Anse Chastanet; Jade Mountain; Ladera; Sugar Beach (Viceroy). **St. Vincent & the Grenadines** Palm Island, Petit St. Vincent Resort. **Switzerland** Beau-Rivage Palace, Lausanne; Dolder Grand Hotel, Zurich; Grand Hotel Les Trois Rois, Basel; Victoria-Jungfrau Grand Hotel & Spa, Interlaken. **Tanzania** Gibb's Farm, Ngorongoro; Kirawira Luxury Tented Camp, Serengeti; Singita Grumeti Reserves, Serengeti. **Tennessee** Blackberry Farm, Walland. **Texas** Hotel Granduca, Houston; Hotel Sorella, Houston; Hotel Valencia Riverwalk, San Antonio; Mokara Hotel & Spa, San Antonio; Ritz-Carlton, Dallas; Rosewood Crescent Hotel, Dallas; Rosewood Mansion on Turtle Creek, Dallas. **Thailand** The Chedi, Chiang Mai; Dhara Dhevi, Chiang Mai; Four Seasons Resort Chiang Mai; Four Seasons Tented Camp Golden Triangle, Chiang Rai; Mandarin Oriental, Bangkok; The Peninsula, Bangkok; Shangri-La Hotel, Bangkok; St. Regis, Bangkok. **Turkey** Ciragan Palace Kempinski Istanbul; Four Seasons Hotel Istanbul at Sultanahmet; Four Seasons Hotel Istanbul at the Bosphorus; Park Hyatt Istanbul-MaKa Palas. **Turks & Caicos** Amanaya; Regent Palms. **United Arab Emirates** Burj Al Arab, Dubai; Emirates Palace Abu Dhabi; One&Only Royal Mirage, Dubai; One&Only The Palm, Dubai; Park Hyatt Dubai; Qasr Al Sarab Desert Resort by Anantara, Abu Dhabi; Urugway Four Seasons Resort Carmelo. **U.S. Virgin Islands** Caneel Bay, St. John; Uhai Amangiri, Canyon Point; Montage Deer Valley; St. Regis Deer Valley; Waldorf Astoria Park City. **Vermont** Pitcher Inn, Warren; Stowe Mountain Lodge; Twin Farms, Bernard; Woodstock Inn & Resort. **Vietnam** Nam Hai, Hoi An; Sofitel Legend Metropole Hanoi. **Virginia** Colonial Houses, Williamsburg; Inn at Little Washington; Keswick Hall at Monticello; Primland Resort, Meadows of Dan; Williamsburg Inn, Williamsburg Lodge. **Washington** Alderbrook Resort & Spa, Union; Four Seasons Hotel Seattle; Hotel 1000, Seattle; Inn at the Market, Seattle. **West Virginia** The Greenbrier, White Sulphur Springs. **Wisconsin** American Club, Kohler. **Wyoming** Amangani, Jackson Hole; Four Seasons Resort Jackson Hole; Hotel Terra, Jackson Hole; Jenny Lake Lodge, Grand Teton National Park. **Cruise Lines** Crystal Cruises; Disney Cruise Line; Grand Circle Cruise Line; Regent Seven Seas Cruises; Seabourn; SeaDream Yacht Club; Silversea; Tauck; Uniworld Boutique River Cruises; Vantage; Viking River Cruises; Windstar.