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Here Are 4 Top Beach Destinations To Visit Soon



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Summer may be officially over, but the beach still beckons. Here are four dazzling seaside destinations worth visiting in the months ahead, offering unrivaled accommodations, exceptional programming, and breathtaking scenery.

Hulopoe Beach | Lanai, HI

Lanai, Hawaii's smallest inhabited island located a few miles west of Maui, is a secluded oasis spanning some 90,000 acres, with a slew of incomparable ocean views and top-notch accommodations for visitors to discover. Only 30 of Lanai's 400 miles of roads are paved, making it a prime destination for an off-road, uncharted adventure.



TK TK TK FOUR SEASONS LANAI

Where to Stay: Four Seasons Resort Lanai, a hidden beachfront gem in South Lanai, boasts luxurious rooms and myriad activities by land, air, and sea, including horseback riding, sunset cruises, and new craft and culture workshops like lei-making. The resort is set on a bluff overlooking Hulopoe Bay, a protected marine sanctuary and divers' paradise, where spinner dolphins frolic in the surf and humpback whales make appearances in winter.

A short drive away, the adults-only **Sensei Lanai**, **A Four Seasons Resort** features a private wellness consultation and customized itinerary, with a choice of spa treatments, fitness classes, and enriching island activities, as well as dining by Nobu.

Pfeiffer Beach | Big Sur, CA



The famous Keyhole Arch on Pfeiffer Beach in Big Sur, one of California's most picturesque ... [+] JOEL PROTASIO

An unspoiled jewel on the wildly picturesque Big Sur coastline, Pfeiffer Beach is one of the few ocean access points in Big Sur, complete with arresting offshore views of sea stacks and rock formations.

Where to Stay: A breathtaking all-inclusive resort overlooking the majestic Pacific from its perch at the edge of the continent, the intimate Alila Ventana Big Sur offers 59 stunning rooms, Spa Alila, and the one-of-a-kind Alila Experience Program. While experiences change seasonally, options include falconry, art and photography classes, coastal bike tours, and picnics amongst the redwoods.

"The magnificence of Big Sur speaks for itself," says General Manager Anthony Duggan. "Guests should visit Pfeiffer Beach to experience its violethued sand and famous Keyhole Arch. Around mid-January, the setting sun aligns directly with the arch, creating a mystical beam of light beaming through the keyhole."

Juanillo Beach | Cap Cana, Dominican Republic



The crown jewel of the Dominican Republic, Cap Cana is the Caribbean island nation's most exclusive ...

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One of the most idyllic beaches in the Dominican Republic, this pristine white-sand stretch spans the country's eastern edge in Cap Cana, an ultra-luxury resort and beachfront gated community that's the island nation's crown jewel. A quick 15-minute drive from the airport and a 30-minute drive from Bavaro on the new highway, Cap Cana is also home to the glittering Marina Cap Cana; lined with gourmet restaurants and elegant boutiques, the protected harbor frequently hosts world-class fishing tournaments.

Where to stay: The only Relais & Châteaux hotel on the island, Eden Roc Cap Cana offers an ultra-luxe boutique Caribbean experience. With 60 accommodations ranging from multi-bed villas with private pools to beachfront suites, the property is renowned for creating exceptional guest experiences including private ecotourism safaris, helicopter excursions to isolated islands, and humpback whale encounters in the picturesque marine sanctuary of Samaná Bay.

Playa Escondida | Riviera Nayarit, Mexico

Located just north of Puerto Vallarta, between the Pacific Ocean and the Sierra Madre Mountains, Mexico's Riviera Nayarit has emerged as the country's latest resort hotspot. Nestled along the coastline is Punta Mita, a 1,500-acre resort and residential community perched on a peninsula, where can't-miss experiences include surfing lessons at Playa La Lancha and swimming at pristine Playa Escondida, tucked away in the nearby Marieta Islands.



The recently opened Conrad Punta de Mita is one of a number of world-class resorts luring visitors ...

[+] CONRAD PUNTA DE MITA

Where to Stay: The recently opened, 324-room Conrad Punta de Mita enjoys a prime location on a two-mile beach and features three pools, a spa, and an adjacent 18-hole golf course, as well as a roster of activities including zip-lining, hiking, and horseback riding. "Just up the road from the resort, guests can access waterfalls and forest trails, or spend the day surfing or paddleboarding," says General Manager Marco Tabet. "Riviera Nayarit—and specifically, Punta de Mita—has evolved into a world-class destination, and increased airlift from most major U.S. markets is making it easier to get here."