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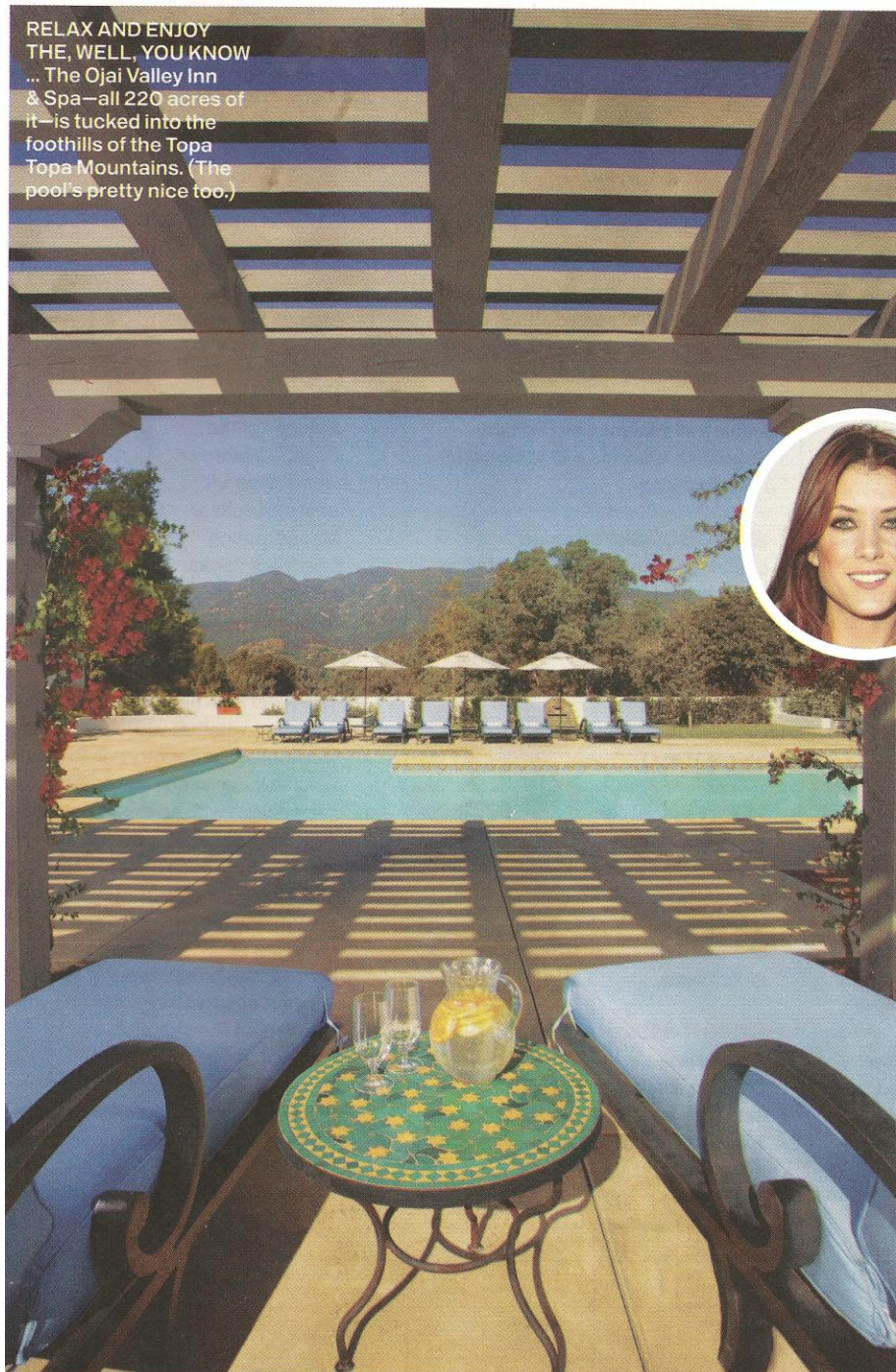
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# It's Your Turn...

Celebrities aren't the only ones who deserve a little R&R. Check out these seven truly amazing destinations and plan your own great escape

RELAX AND ENJOY THE, WELL, YOU KNOW ... The Ojai Valley Inn & Spa—all 220 acres of it—is tucked into the foothills of the Topa Topa Mountains. (The pool's pretty nice too.)



## Best Place for a GIRLS GETAWAY

### *Ojai Valley Inn & Spa,* Ojai, California

**WHY** This Spanish Colonial hideaway offers 308 rooms—many with fireplaces and private terraces with breathtaking mountain views.

(No wonder **Kate Walsh** celebrated her wedding here.)

#### **WHAT TO DO**

Activities range from hiking and horseback riding to the more esoteric (take a watercolor

class or customize your own massage oil).

**WOW!** Celebrate a "pink moment" (the precise instant at sunset when the mountains reflect a rosy glow) with a Pink Moment martini from the bar.

**BRING IT BACK** Honey lip balm from a local bee farm ([ojaivalleybeefarm.com](http://ojaivalleybeefarm.com)); pixie tangerines (some of the sweetest fruits in this valley).

**BOOK IT** 805-646-1111

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### Best Place for HIP SIGHTSEEING



#### *Haymarket Hotel, London, U.K.*

**WHY** Haymarket manages to capture the cool, contemporary buzz of today's London to a tee. It's where **Posh** and Becks stay when they cross the pond and where Jude Law drops by for dinner. All 50 guest rooms are spacious and done in a bold color scheme.



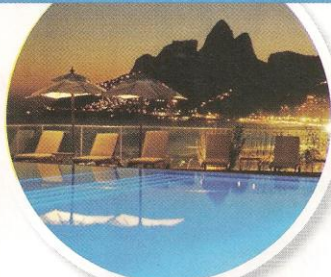
**WHAT TO DO** Shop at of-the-moment fashion designer Duro Olowu's namesake shop, where vintage prints draw celebrity clients; visit Eco, a green store opened by Colin Firth in Chiswick; or check out the Fashion and Textile Museum, which was spearheaded by designer Zandra Rhodes. For London's hottest new table, return to Haymarket's Brumus.

**WOW!** The hotel can arrange a personal shopping trip to Harvey Nichols in Knightsbridge—complete with lunch, a limo, a stylist and a personal shopper.

**BRING IT BACK** Blue-suede weekend bag at The Conran Shop ([conran.shop.co.uk](http://conran.shop.co.uk)); new Lulu Guinness jewelry collection (we love the glamour-girl pendant); colorful candles or twist tumblers from Nina Campbell ([nina.campbell.com](http://nina.campbell.com)).

**BOOK IT** [firmdale.com](http://firmdale.com)

### Best Place for SURFING & SAMBA



#### *Fasano, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil*

**WHY** Rio tops current hot lists, and there's no better place to soak up the vibe than at the new Fasano. Located in a prime spot overlooking Ipanema beach, the hotel has 91 rooms and 10 suites—all designed by Philippe Starck—and boasts a 1950s bossa-nova ambience.

**WHAT TO DO** Sip Rio's best caipirinhas, the national cocktail, at Club Chocolate; spend a day at Posto 9 (the city's chicest beach); or for authentic samba music, head to Carioca da Gema (but never before 11 P.M.).

**WOW!** Fasano has a sexy rooftop pool, where the bronzed and beautiful can channel their inner Gisele.

#### **BRING IT BACK**

A teeny Isabela Capeto bikini and matching sarong; a CD by Gilberto Gil; loose Thai pants from the outdoor Ipanema hippie market.

**BOOK IT** [fasano.com.br](http://fasano.com.br)



Tangerine bikini, Isabela Capeto, \$68; [isabela.capeto.com](http://isabela.capeto.com) for stores.

### Best Place for an ADRENALINE RUSH



#### *The Farm at Cape Kidnappers, New Zealand*

**WHY** This luxe lodge is situated on a 6,000-acre sheep and cattle farm in Hawke's Bay, one of the country's premier wine regions. It offers 24 suites, spread among several cottages (all have private decks with sweeping views).



Sheepskin slippers with gray trim, Kiwi-Kraft, \$47; [kiwikraft.co.nz](http://kiwikraft.co.nz).

**WHAT TO DO** There's no end to the activities, whether you love the beach (surfing) or the countryside (hiking). Ask the lodge to arrange sporting expeditions with an expert guide, a helicopter excursion, or a trip to local wineries. And don't miss the stunning seaside golf course, designed to make the most of the natural topography.

**WOW!** Enjoy hot-air balloon rides with views of nearby vineyards or paraglide over Mount Ruapehu.

**BRING IT BACK** Sheepskin slippers (locally made from merino wool); a bottle of sauvignon blanc (Hawke's Bay is known for it).

**BOOK IT** [capekidnappers.com](http://capekidnappers.com)



## Best Place for a COZY WEEKEND



### Winvian, Morris, Connecticut

**WHY** When it comes to throwing the ultimate weekend get-together, this new 113-acre resort is the place. The heart of the property is a restored colonial farmhouse, filled with antiques, but guests stay in 18 lavish cottages—each boasting a unique design scheme and at least one open fireplace. One pick: Stable, a duplex with a sunken bathtub.

**WHAT TO DO** Plenty of outdoor activities, like hiking and antiquing, but you may want to stick close to Winvian's spa (facials with top U.K. aesthetician Eve Lom's products) and fabulous restaurant (the chef trained under Alain Ducasse).

**WOW!** Bonfire yoga happens on cooler summer and fall nights; in warmer weather, Good Night Moon yoga takes place under the stars.

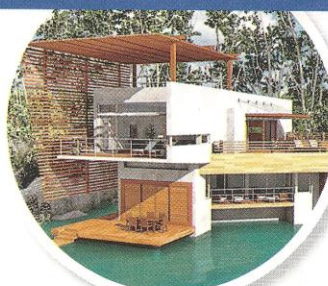


Leather-bound classics,  
Nutmeg Books,  
\$20-\$100;  
860-482-9696.

**BRING IT BACK** Furniture from the historic town of Woodbury (once home to American antiques dealer Wayne Pratt); a first edition from a nearby antiquarian book dealer, like Nutmeg Books in Torrington; maple syrup tapped at a local farm.

**BOOK IT** 860-567-9600

## Best Place for LAZY BEACH TIME



### Rosewood Mayakobá, Mexico

**WHY** Located on the super-hot Riviera Maya, which has drawn the likes of Tom Cruise and **Katie Holmes**, Rosewood Mayakobá has 128 suites, which are actually freestanding villas with luminous bathrooms and private plunge pools. It's also eco-minded: Building materials are indigenous, and guests can navigate the property's network of freshwater canals via electric boats.



**WHAT TO DO** Visit the Mayan ruins of Tulum; have dinner in the beach town of Playa del Carmen (try the hip Glass Bar/Di Vino); snorkel in underwater caves (*cenotes*); or book a treatment at the Rosewood's spa, which occupies its own little island.

**WOW!** A "Tequila library" offers a variety of bottles instead of books.

**BRING IT BACK** A string hammock from Tulum for lounging; beauty products, like scented candles and linen spray, made with local ingredients, such as tropical wood and coconut, from chic eco-retreat Coqui Coqui ([coquicoquispa.com](http://coquicoquispa.com)).

**BOOK IT** 888-767-3966

## Best Place for a SHOPPING SPREE



### Villa Mangiacane, Tuscany, Italy

**WHY** You'll feel as if you stumbled onto a Bernardo Bertolucci set at this retreat, with its sculpture garden and gnarled olive grove. The 26 guest rooms are located in two villas, but romantics should stay in the 16th-century main villa, whose loggia is decorated with historic frescoes. You can request to have dinner in a new spot each night (try the dreamy vineyard).

**WHAT TO DO** Florence is a short drive away—spend the day shopping at the city's hottest fashion emporium, Luisa via Roma, and Loretta Caponi for exquisite lingerie, then head to the roof of Hotel Continentale, where the Ferragamos go for sunset cocktails.

**WOW!** Michelangelo was consulted on the Mangiacane villas, designed for the Machiavelli family.

**BRING IT BACK** In Florence, find hand-finished leather gloves from the family-run Madova shop; soaps from the historic Santa Maria Novella pharmacy; a bottle of Mangiacane wine (the property produces merlot and Chianti).

**BOOK IT** [steinhotels.com/mangiacane](http://steinhotels.com/mangiacane)



Villa Mangiacane  
Chianti Classico,  
Italian Wine  
Merchants, \$23;  
212-473-2323.