



LAKESIDE LUXURY
Head to Lake Austin Spa Resort, which delivers natural luxury (think aromatherapy massage) in a tranquil lakeside hideaway.

Celebrate and Reconnect This Spring

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→ As you begin to safely gather with loved ones again, you've probably got a lot of catching up to do. What better way to reconnect with friends and family than celebrating a special occasion away from home? Consider planning a special day getaway at these amazing destinations.

BEST BIRTHDAY DESTINATION

Nashville, TN

» The best thing to do in Music City? See a concert, of course!

Check out the entertainment line-up at [ACME Feed & Seed](#), [Bluebird Cafe](#), [Honky Tonk Central](#), [Marathon Music Works](#), and [Nashville Underground](#). Get a taste of Music City with a culinary tour, courtesy of [Nashville Food Adventures](#), exploring local eateries, landmarks, and history along the way. Sports fans can catch a [Nashville Predators](#) home game at Bridgestone Arena.



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BEST MOTHER'S DAY DESTINATION

Austin, TX

» Pamper your mom this Mother's Day at any of the amazing spas dotting the Austin area.

While the downtown area has plenty to explore (from shopping in the 2nd Street District to dining in the Warehouse District), make relaxation a priority as you treat mom to a massage, facial, body treatment, or mani/pedi. Try the [Miraval Austin](#), which offers traditional spa services plus unique wellness activities (such as the [Rhythmic Riding](#) equine experience).



**BEST
FATHER'S DAY
DESTINATION**

Myrtle Beach, SC

» *Looking for a hole-in-one trip to spend with your golf-loving dad this Father's Day? Head to Myrtle Beach.*

Home to more than 80 technically challenging and aesthetically beautiful golf courses, this "Golf Capital of the World" tees up spectacular greens stretching along 60 miles of Carolina coastline. These award-winning courses include [Litchfield Country Club](#), [Tidewater Golf Club](#), [Myrtle Beach National](#) — King's North, and [Pawley's Plantation Golf Club](#).



PRO PLANNING
Many of the Myrtle Beach courses are designed by pros such as Arnold Palmer, Jack Nicklaus, Robert Trent Jones, and Greg Norman.



GET ACTIVE in [Kealahou Bay](#) — a Marine Life Conservation District ideal for snorkeling, scuba diving, and kayaking.

**BEST ANNIVERSARY
DESTINATION**

Kona, HI

» *Stretching almost two-thirds of the entire west side of the Big Island, this Hawaii hot spot draws lovebirds from around the world.*

For a secluded day trip, escape to the stunning [Papakolea Beach](#). Hunt for locally made goods in historic [Kailua Village](#). Dig into history together at [Hulihee Palace](#), a museum showcasing Victorian artifacts. Take a tour at [Kona Coffee Living History Farm](#) or Mountain Thunder Coffee Plantation. Enjoy dinner and drinks — with a side of spectacular sunset — at any of the restaurants overlooking the spectacular Pacific Ocean, such as [Lava Lava Beach Club](#) or Don's Mai Tai Bar.

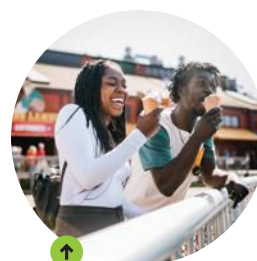
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**BEST GRADUATION
DESTINATION**

Seattle, WA

» *Nicknamed the Emerald City, Seattle and its iconic neighborhoods serve up a smorgasbord of unique West Coast experiences that recent grads will love.*

Discover the intersection of art and history in [Pioneer Square](#) where you can tour underground passageways. Ride up 605 feet in the air in the iconic [Space Needle](#) for incredible views of the city. Explore the trendy [Ballard](#) neighborhood, buzzing with round-the-clock fun, quirky boutiques, and hip new bars and restaurants.



SOUL OF SEATTLE Visit [Pike Place Market](#), a 9-acre public market and one of the nation's oldest and largest farmers markets.