



The Inn of the Five Graces in a historically protected neighborhood of Santa Fe is where artistic design comes to thrive. Photo: The Inn of the Five Graces

Otherwise, book a few nights in any of the sanctuary-quality guest rooms or suites, all of which feature a balcony and an ocean view, and recharge for the year ahead.

Artistic hardly does the spaces at the Inn of Five Graces justice. One of the suites' bathrooms is completely outfitted in colorful mosaics, much like an ancient sanctuary. Photo: The Inn of Five Graces

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Set within the colorful Barrio de Analco, a national historic landmark in Santa Fe, the Inn of the Five Graces is like an adobe and stone relic of rustic Spain. And each of the 25 guest rooms, all of which boast wood-burning kiva fireplaces, showcases both handcrafted artisan-made decor and one-of-a-kind Silk Road style, inspired by intricate network of land-based routes employed by international traders for over 1,500 years. It connected the East and West in more ways than one, and that connection is the design ethos behind The Inn.

The boutique hotel's centerpiece is easily the spa, where exposed adobe walls, elaborately designed ceiling panels, and centuries-old statues come together in a peaceful oasis. There's nothing like a deep Nirvana massage, performed with arnica oil

and warm Ayurvedic herbal packs to stimulate circulation and relieve muscle tension for the holidays.

Conrad Punta de Mita in Litibu, Nayarit, in Mexico, may be quite a sizable resort, but every space—whether it's the guest rooms, lobby, or the beachfront restaurant, *Árbol*—feels intimate and warm. Photo: Victor Elias

Conrad Punta de Mita

Set within a charming village on the eastern edge of Mexico in Riviera Nayarit, Conrad Punta de Mita is strictly for those with an aversion to a traditional white holiday season—especially because daytime temperatures rarely dip below 80 degrees. And this place does not take the holidays lightly: From a five-course agave dinner led by the executive chef and agave expert Ana Martinez, to evening s'mores around private fire pits (with an à la carte cocktail service, there are quite a few festive activities on offer. Plus, on Christmas Eve, Conrad Punta de Mita is hosting a Huichol shamanic energy-cleansing ceremony followed by a traditional American Christmas dinner buffet, and just a few days later, be sure to wander down to the Kermesse festival for classic Mexican street food and live music.