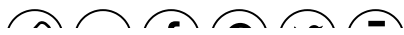


The 10 Top Cozy U.S. Hotels to Visit This Winter

With their firepits and comfort-minded interiors, these are the best hideaways where you can embrace the chill this season.



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The Tree Haus accommodations at the Green O are elevated 23 feet off the ground. Courtesy of the Green O

When it comes to winter travel, you have one of two options: Run from the cold and find some tropical beach **where it's sunny right now**, or embrace the seasonal chill and opt for maximum coziness. We're talking wintry hideaways where firepits are abundant, the smell of wood smoke fills the air, and the interior design goes heavy on comfy wools and flannels. They're places where it's just as rewarding to go out and explore as it is to sit by a window with a good book and take in

the outdoors in so you can stay connected to the outdoors, even when you're watching the sunrise from underneath a custom-made patchwork quilt or unwinding in the deep soaking tub after a hike. If you're feeling a bit more extroverted, you can relax on the open-air Great Porch, where a nearly 10-foot-wide firepit is surrounded by velvet couches and tweed armchairs. It's a communal space where you can share coffee and pastries by morning or cocktails and bar snacks by night.

While there are plenty of opportunities for adventure in the area, Wildflower Farms offers homier activities that are perfect for when the mercury drops, such as making wreaths with seasonal dried botanicals, baking sourdough focaccia with edible flowers, or warming up with a tasting of single-barrel whiskeys at the nearby Tuthilltown Distillery, a 10-minute stroll from the hotel. You'll be sure to feel well-fed, well-rested, and more relaxed than when you arrived. *From*

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6. Inn of the Five Graces

Kiva-style fireplaces add a touch of warmth to the eclectically decorated rooms at the Inn of the Five Graces. Courtesy of the Inn of the Five Graces

- **Location:** Santa Fe, New Mexico
- **Why we love it:** Eclectic decor sourced from around the globe and a decades-old local restaurant icon
- **Loyalty program:** Always Be Expected (Relais & Châteaux)
- **Book now**

Occupying a collection of formerly neglected adobe structures in Santa Fe's Barrio de Analco Historic District, **Inn of the Five Graces** takes its name from the Eastern philosophy that we're graced with sight, sound, touch, smell, and taste as a way to experience the wonders of the world. And indeed, designers Ira and Sylvia Seret have searched far and wide for treasures to create an all-encompassing sensory experience: Uzbek embroidered headboards and Peruvian prayer blankets to touch, museum-quality Afghan and Tibetan artifacts to peruse, and especially kiva fireplaces to wrap you in the sweet scent of burning piñon pine. In many of the rooms and suites, the best seat in the house is the deep soaking tub, surrounded in some cases by intricately inlaid onyx, marble, lapis, or jade.

Last winter, the owners of the hotel bought the iconic **Pink Adobe** restaurant, which first opened 80 years ago and was beloved for its blend of Cajun and New Mexican cuisine. You can now access the restaurant through a passageway off the inn's central courtyard. For the height of coziness, don't miss the warm hug of a dessert known as Rosalea's French apple pie: Studded with golden raisins and pecans, it's been on the menu since 1944. And if you'd rather get in on the cooking yourself, you can sign up for visit to the **Ohkay Owingeh Pueblo**, where members of the Naranjo family will welcome you with hot drinks and teach you how to bake in a beehive-shaped, wood-burning *horno* oven. *From \$578*

7. Twin Farms Treehouses