# CALIFORNIA TRAVEL

# Host Your Next Group Celebration in California

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There's no better excuse than a birthday, bachelorette party or family reunion to plan a trip to California. Throughout the Golden State, there are unique spots that are perfect for hosting a celebration that will be remembered long after the candles are blown out and the last sip of bubbly is drunk.



#### Wine & Roses

Lodi — Make memories sipping the artisan wines of Lodi with a group trip to Wine & Roses in the heart of the San Joaquin Valley. The boutique hotel features 66 historic, garden and spa rooms. Plan a day touring wineries and tasting the Zinfandel the area is known for, or relax with a massage in the spa.

# Madonna Inn

San Luis Obispo — The world-renewed whimsical Madonna Inn in SLO is the ideal setting for an overthe-top girlfriend getaway. Each suite is themed, from The Barrel of Fun to The Time of Your Life. The property has a host of event spaces including the Secret Gardens and Gay 90s ballroom. Don't miss indulging in a slice of the famous Madonna cake. 52 | YourVilla Magazine



#### The Oasis

Death Valley — Enjoy the coolest trip in the hottest place in the world at the historic Oasis at Death Valley resort. Play a round on the world's lowest golf course, stargaze at the Milky Way with the naked eye, or relax in one of the spring-fed pools. The property features the AAA Four Diamond Inn at Death Valley and the family-focused Ranch at Death Valley, which both underwent a recent \$100 million renovation.

# El Capitan Canyon

Santa Barbara — Set on 350 acres of Santa Barbara coast with ocean and mountain views, El Capitan Canyon gives groups modern hotel amenities in unique accommodations including yurts, cedar cabins and tents. The property features private hiking trails, swimming, and a rope course perfect for corporate team building.

#### The Hoxton

*Los Angeles* — Located in the up and coming Fashion District in downtown Los Angeles, The new Hoxton Hotel is the ideal getaway for the arts crowd. With a rooftop pool, two unique restaurants and nearly 2,000 sq. ft. of event space in the trendy Apartment meeting venue, The Hoxton is ready for your group to strut down its catwalk.

#### Santa Monica Proper Hotel

Santa Monica — With a laid back approach to luxury, the new Proper Hotel beckons groups with the Westside's only rooftop pool, a restaurant helmed by not one, but two James Beard awardwinning chefs, and a spa led by an Ayurvedic guru. With 24,000 sq. ft. of flexible meeting space the hotel is perfect for a proper event or a weekend getaway with friends.

# BOTTAIA

Temecula Valley - Called San Diego's best wine

experience in 2019, Bottaia knows that wine and parties are a match made in heaven. Sophisticated

parties are a match made in heaven. Sophisticated Italian style is paired with indoor and outdoor event spaces including the cask-lined fermentation room, a terrace overlooking rolling vineyards and even a chic pool and cabana option. Keep up the wine theme staying at the nearby Ponte Vineyard Inn. Ranch at Laguna Beach



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*Laguna Beach* — Converted from the original 1800s homestead the Treehouse is the perfect group accommodation at The Ranch at Laguna Beach, a National Geographic Unique Lodges of the World property. The architectural gem is nestled high on a hill and wrapped in windows for full panoramic views of the surrounding canyon and grounds. With 1600 sq. ft. of space and two bedrooms it's ideal for a family getaway or couples trip.

# The Maritime Museum

San Diego — The Maritime Museum is known worldwide for restoring and operating historic sailing vessels. With a fleet of unique ships, everything from team building experiences to themed events and even weddings can be hosted at the museum. The nearby historic The U.S. Grant Hotel makes for the perfect home for your sailors to bed down after the event.