

Andrew Harper's Hideaway Report[®]

2014 READERS' CHOICE

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RESULTS FROM OUR 33RD ANNUAL SURVEY OF SOPHISTICATED TRAVELERS

Your Favorite Hideaways, Hotels and Resorts



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EACH YEAR, I ASK YOU TO TELL ME ABOUT YOUR RECENT TRIPS. I AM PLEASED TO SAY THAT *Hideaway Report* readers remain an exceptionally well-traveled group. This year's respondents vacation an average of 38 days a year, and over a third say they plan to travel *more* in the coming 12 months. Your favorite foreign destinations continue to be Italy, France and the United Kingdom, while farther afield, Australia and New Zealand are enduringly popular.

For the purposes of this survey, hideaways are defined as hotels and resorts with 50 or fewer rooms. Amazingly, California's Post Ranch Inn, a sanctuary set high on the cliffs of Big Sur, was voted No. 1 U.S. hideaway for the seventh year in a row. Other familiar names include the Auberge du Soleil, San Ysidro Ranch and Twin Farms. However, your favorite international hideaway, Eden Rock - St Barths, did not appear in last year's Top 20.

Your favorite beach resort is the Four Seasons Hualalai on the Big Island of Hawaii. This should be no surprise, given your consistent endorsement of Four Seasons properties worldwide. In the city hotels category, no fewer than seven of the Top 20 belong to the Toronto-based group. However, smaller, more traditional city hotels still command

your affection, with The Goring in London having risen rapidly in the rankings.

I also asked you to tell me about your favorite cruise lines, and this list can be found on our website, along with lavish slideshows of your favorite U.S. and international hideaways and your preferred beach resorts worldwide.

I am very grateful that so many of you found the time to participate, as well as to submit helpful comments. And I was delighted to learn that, overwhelmingly, you like the new format and expanded content of the *Harper Collection* and approve of our new website. Please continue to send suggestions to aharper@andrewharper.com. Safe travels!

Andrew Harper

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Beach Resorts [View a slideshow online.](#)



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- 1 **Four Seasons Hualalai**
Ka'upulehu-Kona, Hawaii
- 2 **Cap Juluca**
Maundays Bay, Anguilla
- 3 **Mauna Kea Beach Hotel**
Kohala Coast, Hawaii
- 4 **Caneel Bay**
St. John, U.S. Virgin Islands
- 5 **Four Seasons Punta Mita**
Punta Mita, Mexico
- 6 **Four Seasons at Wailea**
Maui, Hawaii
- 7 **Halekulani**
Honolulu, Hawaii

- 8 **The Cloister at Sea Island**
Sea Island, Georgia
- 9 **One&Only Ocean Club**
Paradise Island, Bahamas
- 10 **Rosewood Little Dix Bay**
Virgin Gorda, British Virgin Islands
- 11 **The Meridian Club**
Pine Cay, Turks and Caicos
- 12 **Belmond Maroma Resort & Spa**
Riviera Maya, Mexico
- 13 **Esperanza**
Cabo San Lucas, Mexico
- 14 **Las Ventanas al Paraíso**
San José del Cabo, Mexico
- 15 **Little Palm Island**
Little Torch Key, Florida
- 16 **Montage Laguna Beach**
Laguna Beach, California
- 17 **Peter Island Resort and Spa**
British Virgin Islands
- 18 **Rosewood Jumby Bay**
Antigua
- 19 **The Ritz-Carlton, Naples**
Naples, Florida
- 20 **Amankila**
Bali, Indonesia

Food and Wine Resorts



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- 1 **Blackberry Farm**
Walland, Tennessee
- 2 **Auberge du Soleil**
Rutherford, California
- 3 **Meadowood**
St. Helena, California
- 4 **Twin Farms**
Barnard, Vermont
- 5 **Calistoga Ranch**
Calistoga, California
- 6 **Otahuna Lodge**
Christchurch, New Zealand
- 7 **Farmhouse Inn**
Forestville, California

- 8 **The Inn at Little Washington**
Washington, Virginia
- 9 **Bernardus Lodge**
Carmel Valley, California
- 10 **Ballyfin Demesne**
County Laois, Ireland
- 11 **Blantyre**
Lenox, Massachusetts
- 12 **Le Château Les Crayères**
Reims, France
- 13 **Grand-Hôtel du Cap-Ferrat**
Saint-Jean Cap-Ferrat, France
- 14 **Post Ranch Inn**
Big Sur, California
- 15 **Relais Borgo Santo Pietro**
Chiusdino, Italy
- 16 **Château de Bagnols**
Bagnols, France
- 17 **Château du Sureau**
Oakhurst, California
- 18 **San Ysidro Ranch**
Montecito, California
- 19 **Bardessono**
Yountville, California
- 20 **Gidleigh Park**
Devon, England

Spa Resorts

- 1 **Canyon Ranch Tucson**
Tucson, Arizona
- 2 **Miraval**
Tucson, Arizona
- 3 **Auberge du Soleil**
Rutherford, California
- 4 **The Cloister at Sea Island**
Sea Island, Georgia
- 5 **Esperanza**
Cabo San Lucas, Mexico
- 6 **Four Seasons Hualalai**
Ka'upulehu-Kona, Hawaii
- 7 **Sanctuary Camelback Mountain**
Paradise Valley, Arizona
- 8 **Amangani**
Jackson, Wyoming
- 9 **Amangiri**
Canyon Point, Utah
- 10 **Enchantment Resort**
Sedona, Arizona
- 11 **Blackberry Farm**
Walland, Tennessee
- 12 **Cal-a-Vie**
Vista, California
- 13 **Lake Austin Spa Resort**
Austin, Texas
- 14 **Montage Laguna Beach**
Laguna Beach, California
- 15 **Cap Juluca**
Maundays Bay, Anguilla
- 16 **Las Ventanas al Paraíso**
San José del Cabo, Mexico
- 17 **Amandari**
Bali, Indonesia
- 18 **Bernardus Lodge**
Carmel Valley, California
- 19 **Four Seasons Punta Mita**
Punta Mita, Mexico
- 20 **Mandarin Oriental, Bangkok**
Bangkok, Thailand

“Auberge du Soleil has truly excellent service. The concierge provided us with a day's itinerary touring the vineyards with a private driver at very short notice.”