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THE LIST

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**THE
142 HOTELS
AROUND
THE WORLD
WE ALWAYS
RECOMMEND—
AND COME
BACK TO AGAIN
AND AGAIN**

When you work at *Condé Nast Traveler*, the one question that's always being asked of you—by friends, your therapist, strangers you've only just met—isn't *Where should I go?* More often than not it's *Where should I stay?* As hotel obsessives, we get it. A great hotel isn't simply a place to spend the night. It's about the super-secret perfect bar just off the lobby, or the wallpaper in your suite that makes you want to redecorate your entire home. And if you love a hotel enough, it can become a reason in itself to go. ¶ For our twenty-second annual Gold List, we offer you our global short list—the recommendations we give without even thinking about it.

For more on this year's Gold List, check out cntraveler.com/gold-list.



▶ IF YOU LOVE **BARNSLEY HOUSE** IN THE COTSWOLDS, TRY **SUMMER LODGE COUNTRY HOUSE HOTEL** IN DORSET



THE RENO DIDN'T RUIN THEM

When a landmark hotel undergoes a makeover, you can only hope it'll emerge with its soul intact. Fortunately, these recent renovations didn't mess up a good thing.

Arizona Biltmore
Phoenix

Hotel d'Angleterre
Copenhagen

The Jefferson
Washington, D.C.

La Bastide de Marie
Ménerbes, France

The Lanesborough
London

Raffles Hotel
Singapore

Rajmahal Palace
Jaipur

Singita Boulders Lodge
Sabi Sand Reserve,
South Africa



THE HOTELS WE ALWAYS RETURN TO IN NEW YORK CITY

- BACCARAT HOTEL & RESIDENCES
- GROSBY STREET HOTEL
- FOUR SEASONS HOTEL NEW YORK
- THE GREENWICH HOTEL
- ST. REGIS NEW YORK

OUR WINTER SURVIVAL GUIDE: GET YOURSELF TO ONE OF THESE BEACHES

Less than an hour by private plane from Fiji's main airport—and a world away from everything else—lies **Laucala Island** (2), a seven-mile-long atoll with an almost unbelievable 16 staff for each of the resort's 25 villas. Even when Laucala is "full," there's a good chance you won't see another guest, whether you're snoozing on a secluded beach, horseback riding through coconut groves, or exploring reefs in the resort's two-passenger submarine. Yep, you read that right: *submarine*.

9 OTHER BEACH RESORTS TO VISIT THIS YEAR

Cheval Blanc
Randheli *Maldives* (1)

Dorado Beach, A Ritz-Carlton Reserve
Puerto Rico

El Nido Pangulasian Island
Philippines

Four Seasons Resort Langkawi
Malaysia

Guana Island
British Virgin Islands (3)

Hilton Bora Bora Hui Resort & Spa
French Polynesia

One&Only Hayman Island
Australia

Ponta dos Ganchos Resort
Brazil

Trisara
Thailand (4)