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BASK IN THE GLITTERY SUNSHINE OF BEVERLY HILLS
AS WE SCOUR THE ELECTRIFYING LANDSCAPE
FOR ITS BEST HOT SPOTS. OH, AND DON'T FORGET TO
KEEP YOUR PLATINUM CARD READY!

TEXT RANEE SAHANEY



Decadence is second nature to Beverly Hills, which redefines the concept of ultra-luxury and uber-exclusivity by the week...by the month...by the year – setting in motion a fiercely competitive edge to all things associated with the world-class lifestyle – be it in hotels, restaurants, bars, leisure spaces, wellness offerings or shopping experiences.

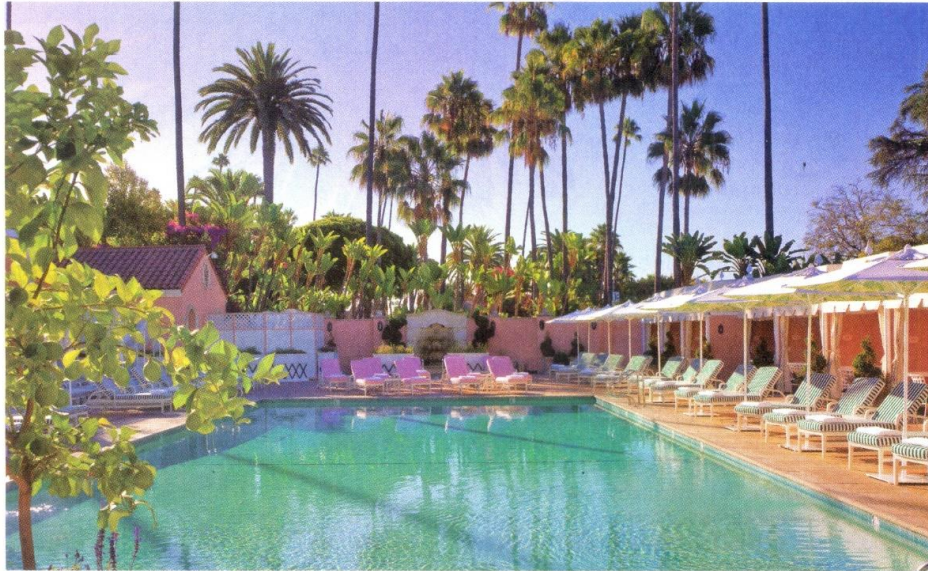
SLEEP WELL: Hotels and Hospitality

Montage Beverly Hills

The privately-owned Montage (which opened in 2008) continues to be a star performer which has drawn accolades for its opulent offerings to a city which is gratifyingly familiar with all things luxurious. With its quick access to The Golden Triangle and the line-up of the most prestigious boutiques and restaurants along Rodeo Drive, this fabulous gem is the ideal base for the trendy luxury aficionado. The vintage glamour of its architectural métier melds seamlessly into the atmospherics of BH's contemporary world of sophistication. Its complement of 201 rooms, including 55 suites (and 20 wholly-owned Montage Residences) caters to even the fussiest celeb in town. Guest rooms come with a private *balcão* or a patio overlooking a courtyard or city view. A-listers such as Oprah Winfrey, Robert De Niro, Meryl Streep and Justin Beiber have the privilege of a private arrival area. And yet even while the Montage offers the most immaculate services to

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its A-listers, all guests are treated to its highly personalised service with gracious hospitality.

Waldorf Astoria Beverly Hills

Splash out at the 12-storied, Hollywood's Golden Age glam- and art deco-inspired Waldorf Astoria Beverly Hills which already has patrons in raptures. Set in the very heart of Beverly Hills, richly elegant and unashamedly luxurious, this glamorous newbie (opened in June this year) on the block holds the promise of an exceptional experience. Its 170 guest rooms opening up on uninterrupted panoramas of its mind-boggling location, its Celebrity Villa Suites charged with

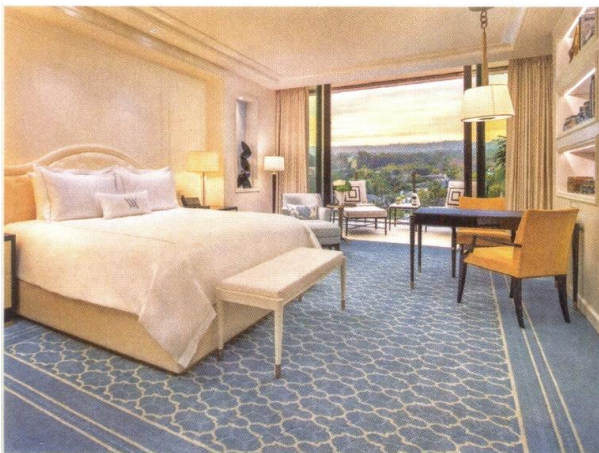
private patios and gardens, the swanky Jean-Georges restaurant, the 5,000 sq. ft decadent new La Prairie Spa, the largest rooftop pool deck in town, the humungous triple-height lobby which is the biggest in all of BH – all signal the arrival of a world that's a cut above the rest for high-flyers and the jet set, in all of sunny California.

The Beverly Hills Hotel & Bungalows

A century of glitterati have passed through the portals of this sumptuous hotel with its pink stucco facade and the landscaped grounds. Plunge joyfully into the rich atmospherics of this legend where the likes of Valentino and Liz Taylor have been residents. The hottest attraction here are the bungalows where Liz Taylor stayed for six of her eight honeymoons. You might even bump into Kim Kardashian, Michael Douglas, or Nicole Kidman. Save your greenbacks for a drink at the iconic Polo Lounge. The barman is a good source for yarns from the good ol' days. Power tables to be coveted are Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 'The Hollywood' for breakfast and Chopped McCarthy Salad for lunch or dinner, to blend in seamlessly. Trawl the grounds if you are a celeb-hunter...you might get lucky...

Top: Get a healthy tan under the Californian sun at The Beverly Hills Hotel & Bungalows.

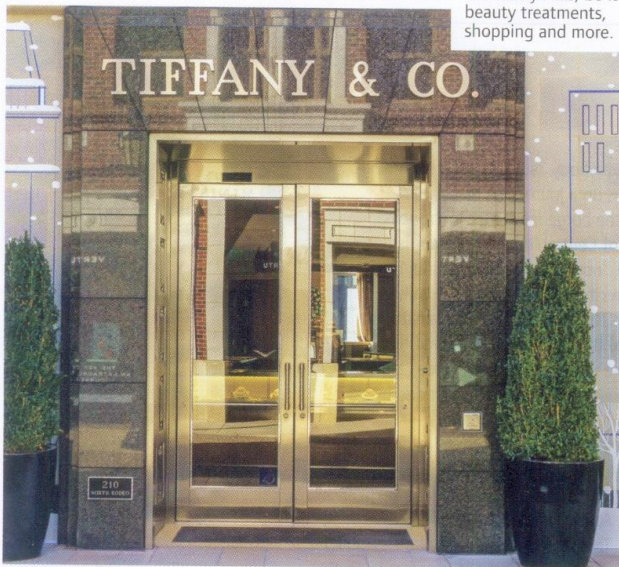
Bottom: A sprawling room at the Waldorf Astoria Beverly Hills.



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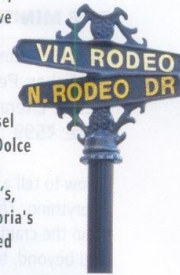


This page: Indulgence is the name of the game in Beverly Hills, be it beauty treatments, shopping and more.



SHOPPER'S PARADISE

- Head to Two Rodeo Beverly Hills Shopping Center for designer boutiques, exquisite restaurants and a village-like decor. Some of the world's top luxury brands including Versace, Jimmy Choo, Lanvin, and Tiffany & Co., have flagship stores at Two Rodeo.
- Beverly Center is one of the busiest shopping malls in tinsel town. The main stores (D&G Dolce & Gabbana, Dior, Just Cavalli, Louis Vuitton Bloomies, Macy's, Banana Republic, Coach, Victoria's Secret and the like) are located from the 5th floor upwards.



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La Prairie Spa

Pure decadence is the key to this spacious new spa opened in the ultra-serene and luxurious environs of the Waldorf Astoria Beverly Hills, from the legendary Swiss firm whose most luxurious skincare is now on offer to a high-end clientele here. Featuring six private treatment rooms and impeccable services from accomplished practitioners it urges you to sign up for the brand's Skin Caviar blandishments. Sample at leisure some of the most exclusive and extravagantly indulgent facial treatments, therapeutic massages with a range of the most precious and opulent products from La Prairie for the ultimate rejuvenation. Flush in funds? Sign up for the Diamond Day (5.5 hours) as you submit to a decadent day that leaves you glowing like Hollywood's brightest stars.

Alo Yoga Boutique

Sixty-minute yoga classes are on offer through the week at the airy yoga studio and roof deck at Alo's Beverly Hills flagship store, where they arrive like lemmings accoutred in the iconic Alo Goddess leggings, crop tops and rolled-up yoga mat. A range of pressed juices and organic snacks are available at the cafe for pre/post-practice munchies. Danny Harris and Marco deGeorge started Alo in 2007, inspired by the concept of taking the consciousness from practice on the mat and putting it into practice in life – 'to spread good: to anyone who is experiencing the transformative power of yoga.'

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TUCK IN: Epicurean Delights

Jean-Georges at Waldorf Astoria Beverly Hills

The legendary French Chef Jean-Georges Vongerichten's first foray into the West Coast couldn't have had a better setting than the newly-opened Waldorf Astoria. Leaving behind a trail of iconic restaurants from Japan to London to New York City, Jean-Georges offers an opulent culinary experience richly worthy of LA's hip and happening patrons led by Hollywood celebs and gold-plated business magnets that rule the magic and clout of the City of Angels. The carefully-curated menu features the very best of his métier. Stop looking at your watch and wallet, dress up to the nines, pay the astronomical valet service and hit BH's sweet spot for the most memorable and pricey night on the tiles. The man himself, seen as one of the best living French chefs with multiple Michelin stars under his belt, ups the ante by working the floors meeting and greeting patrons at his three establishments in the hotel which include the smart casual Rooftop by JG, where one can dine in private cabanas, poolside and the Jean-Georges Beverly Hills Bar where patrons exchange gossip and cocktails by the hour.



Spago Beverly Hills

Go for the jaw-dropping locale, celebrity watching (read Justin Bieber, Julia Roberts and even former President Bill Clinton), the kingly service, outstanding food – do try the wiener schnitzel, the spicy ahi tuna hand rolls or the smoked salmon/caviar pizza – and the opulent atmospherics. All this and a lot more make this hugely expensive flagship restaurant (founded by glam, Austrian-born owner/chef Wolfgang Puck) a must-visit. Here the crowds from the motion pictures business rub shoulders with businessmen, amid the smattering of wealthy local patrons – all which remind you every dollar spent is worth it.

Gratitude

This plant-based vegan restaurant opened end of May 2017 (and is sister restaurant to Café Gratitude, a more casual restaurant with many locations across Los Angeles). The menu is designed by Executive Chef Dreux Ellis and features a vegan twist on menu items such as mole enchiladas and pad thai!

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Sumptuous platters of food at Spago Beverly Hills (above) and Coral Tree Cafe (below).



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