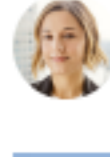


# T&C Travel Guide: A Long Weekend in Beverly Hills

Everything from where to stay, spa, eat and drink in the 90210 zip code.



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Should you find yourself in southern California and with a free stretch of days there are almost boundless opportunities for weekend activities.

Head out to Ojai, drive to Santa Barbara—you get the picture. But it would be foolish to overlook a good old-fashioned mini break in Beverly Hills. Famed for its oh-so fabled Rodeo Drive, flashy shopping, tony streets with classic mansions (not to mention old Hollywood glitz), and of course, iconic hotels, it's almost hard to resist diving head first into all that the location offers. Here, the Very T&C Guide to how to spend a long weekend in Beverly Hills: where to stay, what to do, and of course, where to eat too.

## Where to Stay

### The Maybourne

The recently renovated Maybourne Beverly Hills provides the perfect sanctuary from cosmopolitan hustle and bustle, with light-drenched accommodations that reference the airy and mid-century design heritage so associated with L.A. With a pool lounge on the roof and easy access to the very best shopping around just footsteps from the lobby, everything you could possibly want for a retreat is within a stones throw, if not on the property itself.

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### The Beverly Hills Hotel

When it comes to iconic hotels, the Beverly Hills Hotel stands in a class of its own. Just driving up to the "Pink Palace" seems as though you're traveling to the Golden Age of Hollywood. From the legendary Polo Lounge and poolside cabanas, to the instantly recognizable banana leaf wall-papering, to the resplendent rooms, the BHH is every bit of the experience that the name promises.

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## Where to Eat

### Rooftop Garden at the Peninsula

Whisk yourself away to the Mediterranean by taking the elevator to the roof of the Peninsula, and then indulge in a brunch featuring the cornerstones of California cuisine. Think: farm fresh eggs and rancheros served with herbs and veggies that are grown on the rooftop garden.

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### The Terrace at the Maybourne

Dine al fresco—day or night—at The Terrace. Seasonal California fare is given a fresh twist thanks to Executive Chef Kaleo Adams and locally-sourced produce. Pro tip: order the rack of lamb if it's offered, you won't regret the savory choice.

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A view of the iconic entryway at the Beverly Hills Hotel.

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### Polo Lounge

This is power dining in L.A. at its most classic—and there's a reason. Serving American cuisine with a dash of Italian edge, Polo Lounge offers more than just great ambiance. If you've never been, then the McCarthy salad is obligatory—as are the lemon ricotta pancakes if you're dining there for breakfast.

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Inventive and adventurous are two words that come to mind about Chef Joshua Gil's spin on traditional Mexican cuisine. The menu, which offers everything from oysters and uni served with herby butter, to blue aguachile kampache, and crispy softshell crabs albondigas, means you'll want to come very hungry, and order a spread. Just be sure to leave room for dessert—specifically the brown butter mochi cake. It's one of a kind.

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## What to Do

### Spa at the Beverly Wilshire

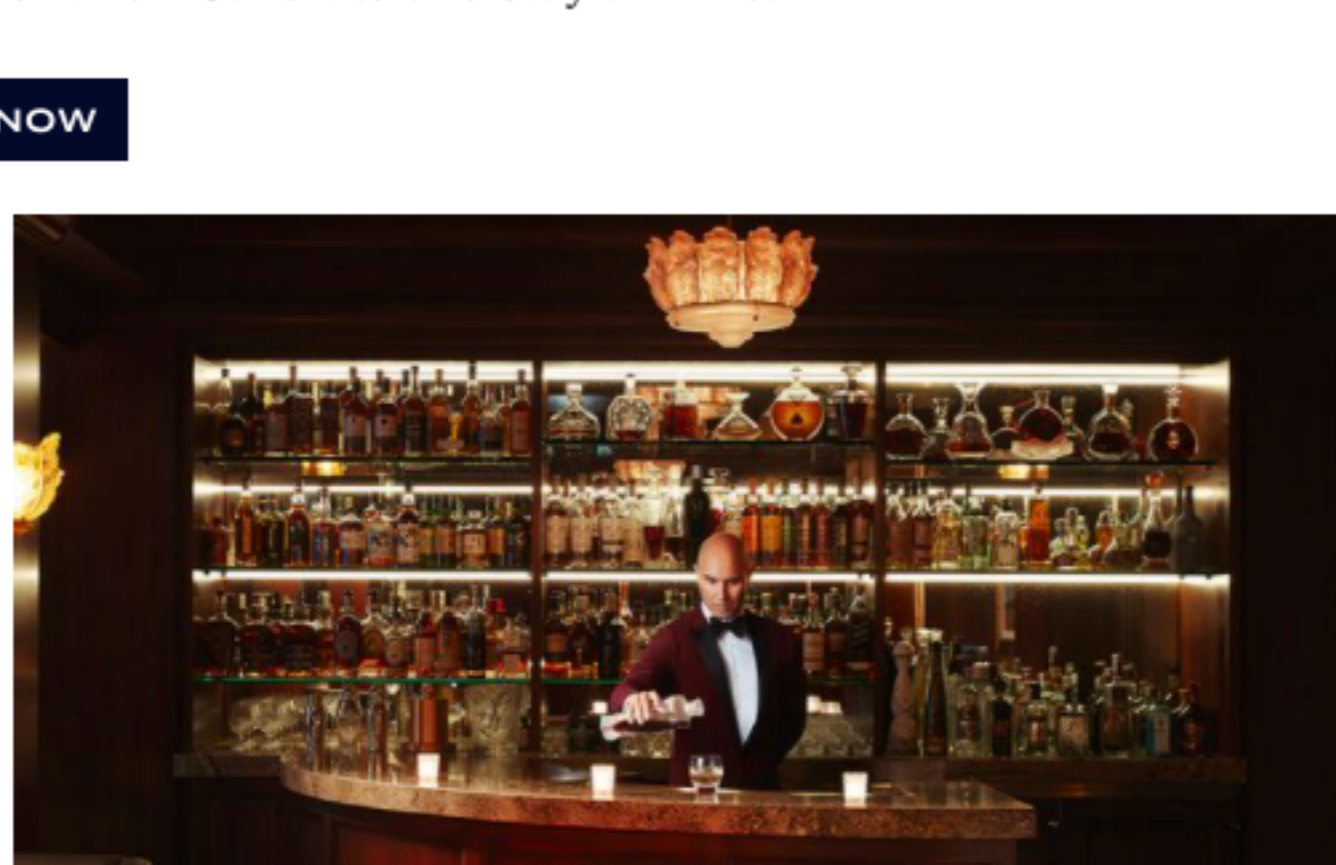
The customizable spa menu at the classic Beverly Hills haunt (fans will recognize this as the hotel in *Pretty Woman*) offers scrubs, facials, massages, and even some treatments that were developed specifically with men in mind (great for a couples day at the spa, yes?). Just be sure to get there early and hang back after whichever indulgence you choose to experience the aromatherapy crystal steam room.

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### Cigar and Whiskey Bar

Even a minibreak needs a night out included in the mix. The recently opened Cigar and Whiskey Bar at the Maybourne is an opulent escape from your day-to-day cocktail lounge, with everything from a 1000-cigar humidor packed to the brim with Caribbean and Central American smokes, a wood paneled den, an ultra-private outdoor deck with banquette loungers, and exquisite details such as mid-century Murano ash trays. The menu includes Scottish and Japanese whiskeys and small batch bourbons from Kentucky and Vermont. The cocktail list is top notch too. Order a few Sazeracs and stay a while.

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The Cigar & Whiskey Bar at the Maybourne Hotel.

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### Spadena House

Lovers of trivia and old Hollywood, this is for you. A drive-by is more than called for with the Spadena House, AKA the Witches House. Located on the corner of Walden Drive and Carmelita Avenue, the storybook home (which is intentionally dilapidated) was designed by director Harry Oliver, as an office and dressing room at Irving Willat's Studio in Culver City, before it was transplanted to where it sits today in 1926. It's now a protected landmark in Beverly Hills. Standing outside, you just may find yourself thinking about Hansel and Gretel, but the facade of the home was actually featured in none other than *...Clueless*.