

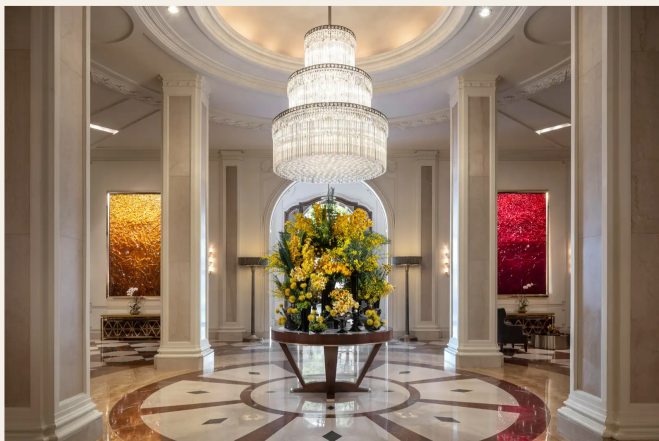
The Best Hotels in LA For Every Type of Traveler

Whether you're craving a seaside getaway or an Old Hollywood experience, here's your guide to LA's hotel scene.

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Los Angeles is an internationally famed destination for enjoying nearly every travel experience under the California sun, ranging from classic Hollywood entertainment, to arts, culture, cocktails, culinary pursuits, beaches, and outdoor exploits, among many other adventurous escapades. It's no surprise then that the hotels of Greater LA reflect each neighborhood's distinctive personalities, hosting unique opportunities for visitors to set home base as somewhere more than just a place to sleep. Here are some of the best places to stay in Los Angeles tailored for every type of traveler; for some of these, you won't even have to leave your hotel.



The lobby at Beverly Wilshire, A Four Seasons Hotel | Photo courtesy of Beverly Wilshire, A Four Seasons Hotel

The best hotel home base for shopaholics: Beverly Wilshire, A Four Seasons Hotel

The legendary Beverly Wilshire, A Four Seasons Hotel opened on January 1, 1928 but doesn't look a day over 29 (even though it's on the National Register of Historic Places). While upscale, the hotel's approachable essence allows visitors and guests to mingle inside the common spaces to admire the historic architecture and hear the stories of the dozens of famous guests who have spent time there (some of whom even lived at the hotel for a period of time, including Elvis Presley). The recently revamped rooms feel dramatic, offering a hint of old golden Hollywood glamor paired with a modern flair, and the elegant design details make the entire space stand out as an almost royal experience. Known as the *Pretty Woman* hotel, the Beverly Wilshire is where the Julia Roberts flick took place. That's why it only makes sense Rodeo Drive is right across the street, making the locale the perfect home base for all of your shopping desires, with stores like Prada, Rolex, and Versace paving the way. Plus, make sure to stop by Erewhon's Beverly Hills location for an \$18 smoothie.



Photo courtesy of Waldorf Astoria Beverly Hills

The best hotel for an incredible rooftop restaurant: Waldorf Astoria Beverly Hills

The prestigious Waldorf Astoria Beverly Hills sits in the heart of Beverly Hills, boasting upscale accommodations with immaculate amenities and the latest in technology. From the over-the-top but not overzealous welcoming service, to the impressive views and terraces in every room, to the rooftop pool and spa services, each overnight stay is exceptionally personalized in a way that makes guests feel special. But the pièce de résistance at this property is hands down its on-site rooftop restaurant, The Rooftop by JG—an exceptional dining establishment that serves as both a place to eat and a social venue floating 12 stories above the city with panoramic views of Beverly Hills and Hollywood. Diners feel like they're in the Garden of the Gods in the sky, among a lush greenery setting with impeccable sunsets and a delicious menu (think: ever-changing choices which may include indulgences such as \$80 caviar fries or classically Californian avocado pizza).