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Hotels

544

Resorts

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Cities

37

Cruise Lines

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Islands

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➤ For almost three decades you've participated in our annual Readers' Choice Awards survey, sharing your wisdom and discoveries from around the world: the hotel that inspired your latest home renovation; the city that best exemplifies the complexities and nuances of Baroque architecture; and the airline seat you could have stayed in for another 12 hours. But this year the numbers were staggering. More than 300,000 of you—nearly twice as many as last year—submitted millions of ratings and 75,000 comments. Your responses are the most powerful measure of what's happening in the industry. Because of how and where you're traveling, we're seeing trends shift in real time: European cities that have long topped the list were outranked by Asian cities. Airlines like ANA now have more U.S. flights into Tokyo's Haneda Airport than ever before. So we hear you. And you can bet the industry does too. For more results, turn the page. →

RESORTS

UNITED STATES



TOP 10 OVERALL

- 1 **The Lodge & Spa at Brush Creek Ranch**, Saratoga, Wyo. 99.15
- 2 **L'Horizon Resort & Spa**, Palm Springs, Calif. 98.48
- 3 **Gateway Canyons Resort**, Gateway, Colo. 97.93
- 4 **Sonnenalp**, Vail, Colo. 97.87
- 5 **The Lodge on Little St. Simons Island**, Ga. 97.62
- 6 **The Lodge at Sea Island Golf Club**, Ga. 97.60
- 7 **Tides Inn**, Irvington, Va. 97.55
- 8 **Tanque Verde Ranch**, Tucson, Ariz. 97.42
- 9 **C Lazy U Ranch**, Granby, Colo. 97.28
- 10 **Sanderling Resort**, Duck, N.C. 97.27

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Malliouhana
(An Auberge Resort),
Anguilla
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- 31 **Round Hill Hotel and Villas**, Montego Bay, Jamaica 91.62
- 32 **Sugar Beach (A Viceroy Resort)**, St. Lucia 91.21
- 33 **Carlisle Bay**, Antigua 91.16
- 34 **Sandals LaSource Grenada** 91.07
- 35 **Sandals Grande Antigua** 90.98
- 36 **Chic by Royalton Resorts**, Punta Cana, Dominican Republic 90.92
- 37 **Casa de Campo**, La Romana, Dominican Republic 90.71
- 38 **The Landings Resort and Spa**, St. Lucia 90.70
- 39 **Westin Grand Cayman Seven Mile Beach Resort & Spa**, Cayman Islands 90.55
- 40 **Bucuti & Tara Beach Resorts**, Aruba 90.29
- 41 **The Hermitage Plantation Inn**, Nevis 89.61
- 42 **St. Regis Bahia Beach Resort**, Puerto Rico 89.50
- 43 **Bitter End Yacht Club**, Virgin Gorda, BVI 89.29
- 44 **The Caves**, Negril, Jamaica 89.16
- 45 **Royalton Punta Cana Resort & Casino**, Dominican Republic 88.90
- 46 **Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Punta Cana**, Dominican Republic 88.76
- 47 **El Conquistador Resort (Waldorf Astoria)**, Puerto Rico 88.73
- 48 **Scrub Island Resort, Spa & Marina**, BVI 88.57
- 49 **St. Kitts Marriott Resort & The Royal Beach Casino** 88.53
- 50 **Baose Luxury Resort**, Curaçao 88.32
- 51 **Couples Swept Away**, Negril, Jamaica 88.28
- 52 **Rosewood Little Dix Bay**, Virgin Gorda, BVI 88.17
- 53 **Secret Bay**, Dominica 88.03
- 54 **Rosalie Bay Resort**, Dominica 87.95
- 55 **Curtain Bluff**, Antigua 87.86
- 56 **W Retreat & Spa, Vieques Island**, Puerto Rico 87.85
- 57 **Four Seasons Resort Nevis** 87.32
- 58 **Peter Island Resort & Spa**, BVI 87.23
- 59 **Belmond La Samanna**, St. Martin 86.91
- 60 **Eden Roc at Cap Cana**, Dominican Republic 86.21

ATLANTIC ISLANDS

TOP 20

- 1 **Kamalame Cay**, Bahamas 98.30
- 2 **One&Only Ocean Club**, Paradise Island, Bahamas 97.70
- 3 **The Palms Turks and Caicos** 96.43
- 4 **The Reefs Resort & Club**, Bermuda 95.19
- 5 **The Cove, Eleuthera**, Bahamas 94.64
- 6 **Seven Stars Resort**, Turks and Caicos 94.55
- 7 **Pink Sands**, Harbour Island, Bahamas 94.05
- 8 **COMO Parrot Cay**, Turks and Caicos 93.75
- 9 **Grace Bay Club**, Turks and Caicos 91.16

St. Barts still dazzles, but interest is growing in other French Caribbean islands that are now easier to get to with nonstop seasonal flights from the U.S. Look for more news from Guadeloupe and Martinique.

- 10 **Fairmont Southampton**, Bermuda 89.41
- 11 **Amanaya**, Turks and Caicos 89.29
- 12 **Beaches Turks & Caicos Resort Villages & Spa** 88.52
- 13 **West Bay Club**, Turks and Caicos 86.94
- 14 **Sandals Emerald Bay**, Great Exuma, Bahamas 86.74
- 15 **Sandals Royal Bahamian**, Nassau, Bahamas 86.69
- 16 **The Cove Atlantis**, Paradise Island, Bahamas 85.71
- 17 **Rosewood Tucker's Point**, Bermuda 85.70
- 18 **Hamilton Princess & Beach Club**, Bermuda 85.09
- 19 **Valentine's Resort and Marina**, Harbour Island, Bahamas 85.05
- 20 **Atlantis, Paradise Island**, Bahamas 81.43

CENTRAL & SOUTH AMERICA

TOP 20

- 1 **Unique Garden Hotel & Spa**, Mairiporã, Brazil 98.90
- 2 **Hamanasi Adventure & Dive Resort**, Belize 98.81
- 3 **Tierra Chiloé Hotel & Spa**, Chile 98.54
- 4 **Tierra Patagonia Hotel & Spa**, Chile 98.39
- 5 **Hacienda Hotel Vira Vira**, Pucón, Chile 98.21
- 6 **Nayara Springs**, Arenal, Costa Rica 97.64
- 7 **Uxua Casa Hotel & Spa**, Trancoso, Brazil 97.48
- 8 **Hacienda AltaGracia (An Auberge Resort)**, Pérez Zeledón, Costa Rica 97.46
- 9 **Tierra Atacama Hotel & Spa**, Chile 97.15
- 10 **Nayara Hotel, Spa & Gardens**, Arenal, Costa Rica 96.94
- 11 **Sumaq Machu Picchu Hotel**, Peru 96.60
- 12 **Westin Golf Resort & Spa, Playa Conchal**, Costa Rica 96.15
- 13 **Tabacón Grand Spa Thermal Resort**, Arenal, Costa Rica 95.58
- 14 **El Silencio Lodge & Spa**, Bajos del Toro, Costa Rica 95.27
- 15 **Andaz Peninsula Papagayo Resort**, Costa Rica 94.46
- 16 **Explora Patagonia**, Chile 93.88
- 17 **Mukul Beach, Golf & Spa**, Guacalito de la Isla, Nicaragua 91.39
- 18 **Four Seasons Resort Costa Rica at Peninsula Papagayo** 90.92
- 19 **Llao Llao Hotel & Resort**, San Carlos de Bariloche, Argentina 90.77
- 20 **JW Marriott Guanacaste Resort & Spa**, Costa Rica 86.11

EUROPE

TOP 25

- 1 **Caresse Resort & Spa (Luxury Collection)**, Bodrum, Turkey 99.15
- 2 **Borgo Santo Pietro**, Tuscany, Italy 98.57
- 3 **Renaissance Tuscany II Ciocco Resort & Spa**, Italy 98.00
- 4 **Borgo Egnazia**, Puglia, Italy 97.92
- 5 **Ashford Castle**, Co. Mayo, Ireland 97.54
- 6 **Brenners Park-Hotel & Spa**, Baden-Baden, Germany 97.50
- 7 **Rosewood Castiglion del Bosco**, Tuscany, Italy 96.75
- 8 **Schloss Elmau**, Krün, Germany 96.60
- 9 **Castello di Casole**, Tuscany, Italy 96.20
- 10 **Bio-Hotel Stanglwirt**, Going am Wilden Kaiser, Austria 96.04
- 11 **Six Senses Douro Valley**, Portugal 94.64
- 12 **Barceló Asia Gardens Hotel & Thai Spa**, Alicante, Spain 94.29
- 13 **Vila Vita Parc**, Alporchinhos, Portugal 93.85
- 14 **Blue Palace Resort and Spa (Luxury Collection)**, Crete, Greece 93.84
- 15 **Sport Hotel Hermitage & Spa**, Soldeu, Andorra 93.75
- 16 **Hotel Cristallo**, Cortina d'Ampezzo, Italy 92.93
- 17 **The Romanos (Luxury Collection)**, Messinia, Greece 92.86
- 18 **Chewton Glen Hotel & Spa**, New Milton, England 92.85
- 19 **JW Marriott Venice Resort & Spa**, Italy 92.58
- 20 **Trump International Hotel & Golf Links**, Co. Clare, Ireland 92.35
- 21 **Adare Manor Hotel & Golf Resort**, Co. Limerick, Ireland 91.96
- 22 **Belmond La Residencia**, Mallorca, Spain 91.67
- 23 **Castello Banfi-II Borgo**, Tuscany, Italy 89.97
- 24 **Dromoland Castle Hotel & Country Estate**, Co. Clare, Ireland 88.27
- 25 **Cheval Blanc Courchevel**, France 87.30

ASIA

TOP 40

- 1 **ITC Grand Bharat (Luxury Collection)**, Gurgaon, India 98.82
- 2 **The Mulia**, Bali, Indonesia 98.81
- 3 **The Sarojin**, Khao Lak, Thailand 98.43
- 4 **Four Seasons Tented Camp Golden Triangle**, Chiang Rai, Thailand 98.41
- 5 **Iniala Beach House**, Phuket, Thailand 98.09
- 6 **Anantara Golden Triangle Elephant Camp & Resort**, Chiang Rai, Thailand 97.95
- 7 **Shangri-La's Mactan Resort & Spa**, Cebu, Philippines 97.89
- 8 **Four Seasons Resort Koh Samui**, Thailand 97.86

