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Because they are repositories of local culture and keys to a destination, because the one you choose can often make—or break—a travel experience, we take hotels seriously at T+L. And we're glad to say our readers do, too. Every year we ask hundreds of thousands of them to cast their votes so we can determine the top 500 properties in the world. On the following pages, you'll also find our picks of hotels with notable rooftop scenes, culinary excursions, and wildlife treks. It's the list you've been waiting for—with more information than ever before available at [TravelandLeisure.com](http://TravelandLeisure.com) to help you book your next trip.

One of the three pools at Rosewood  
Mayakoba, on Mexico's Riviera Maya.

PAUL COSTELLO



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and contemporary accents (abstract paintings; brushed steel; gas fireplaces). **15 Beacon St.**; 877/982-3226 or 617/670-1500; xvbeacon.com; doubles from \$295.

#### CAPE COD

• **Wequassett Resort & Golf Club (85.28)** Well-appointed rooms set in clapboard cottages on Pleasant Bay, a popular sailing inlet. Recent additions: tennis courts, a lap pool, and a children's center. **800/225-7125** or **508/432-5400**; wequassett.com; doubles from \$525.

#### NANTUCKET

• **The Wauwinet (87.67)** Nantucket's most secluded luxury property, bordering a stretch of rugged coast 8 miles from the town center. **800/426-8718** or **508/228-0145**; wauwinet.com; doubles from \$680, including breakfast. *Open seasonally, May-October.*

• **White Elephant (87.67)** Shingle-style spread overlooking the harbor; rooms are done in organic white linens and walnut, and there's a notable seafood-focused restaurant, Brant Point Grill. **800/445-6574** or **508/228-2500**; whiteelephanthotel.com; doubles from \$615.

## MINNESOTA

### MINNEAPOLIS

• **Grand Hotel (82.68)** 140-room high-rise with marble bathrooms and a huge fitness center, plus access to indoor walkways that connect downtown shops and businesses. **615 2nd Ave. S.**; **866/843-4726** or **612/288-8888**; grandhotelinneapolis.com; doubles from \$399.

### ST. PAUL

• **Saint Paul Hotel (84.34)** Top-notch service (a 24-hour concierge; an in-house seamstress) and homey comforts such as a fireplace and an oak-paneled bar. **350 Market St.**; **800/292-9292** or **651/292-9292**; saintpaulhotel.com; doubles from \$169.

## NEVADA

### LAS VEGAS

• **Bellagio (83.64)** Mid-Strip extravaganza with a palatial 55,000-square-foot spa, 14 restaurants, botanical gardens, and dancing fountains. **3600 Las Vegas Blvd. S.**; **888/987-6667** or **702/693-7111**; bellagio.com; doubles from \$169.

• **Four Seasons Hotel (86.37)** Understated, slot machine-free hotel with rooms occupying floors 35-39 of the Mandalay Bay tower. **3960 Las Vegas Blvd. S.**; **800/332-3442** or **702/632-5000**; fourseasons.com; doubles from \$279.

**NEW** • **The Palazzo (83.70)** LEED-certified all-suite property with over-the-top room décor (multiple flat-screen TV's, sunken living rooms, and mini-bars stocked with everything from champagne to La Belge Chocolatier desserts). **3325 Las Vegas Blvd. S.**; **877/883-6423** or **702/607-4100**; palazzolasvegas.com; doubles from \$199.

• **The Venetian (82.38)** Among the largest rooms on the Strip—averaging 650 square feet—in an Italianate fantasyland complete with a faux Grand Canal. **3355 Las Vegas Blvd. S.**; **877/883-6423** or **702/414-1000**; venetian.com; doubles from \$199.

• **Wynn Las Vegas (85.31)** 50-story hotel with a botanical theme throughout (bright floor mosaics; a 140-foot forested mountain), a much-lauded golf course, and a rarity in Vegas: a natural light-filled casino.

**3131 Las Vegas Blvd. S.**; **877/321-9966** or **702/770-7000**; wynnlasvegas.com; doubles from \$159.

## NEW MEXICO

### SANTA FE

• **Inn on the Alameda (82.48)** It's all about privacy and sense of place: 71 secluded adobe rooms and suites open onto a flower-filled courtyard. **303 E. Alameda**; **800/289-2122** or **505/984-2121**; innonthealameda.com; doubles from \$215.

• **Rosewood Inn of the Anasazi (83.13)** Native American-inspired design lends authenticity to this 58-room hotel steps from the historic Santa Fe plaza. **113 Washington Ave.**; **888/767-3966** or **505/988-3030**; rosewoodhotels.com; doubles from \$419.

## NEW YORK

### ADIRONDACKS

• **Mirror Lake Inn Resort & Spa (86.02)** A 131-room lakefront complex favored by families for its casual vibe and roster of activities. **Lake Placid**; **518/523-2544**; mirrorlakeinn.com; doubles from \$330, including breakfast.

