



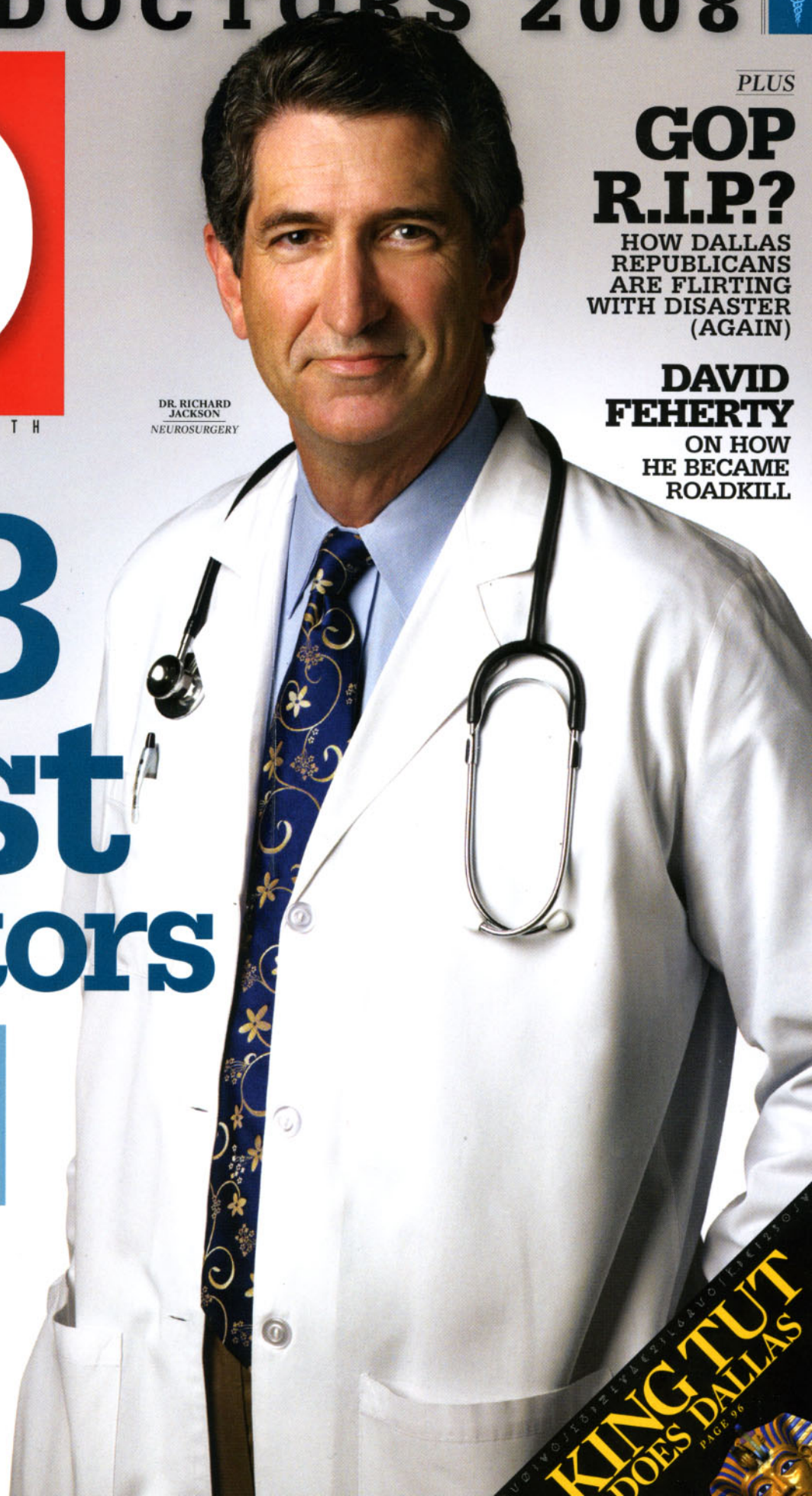
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THE BEST OF THE WORLD

From Miami to Moscow,
we circumnavigated the
globe and picked our
favorite places for you
to enjoy in winter, spring,
summer, or fall.

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Best Place To Run Into a Dallasite

You may find yourself deep in the heart of Mexico, but don't be surprised to hear a few Texan twangs over your breakfast of huevos rancheros at the popular El Pegaso in downtown **San Miguel de Allende**, Mexico (internetsanmiguel.com). Many Dallasites now have a second (or third) home in this charming 500-year-old town filled with cobblestone streets and Colonial-style buildings painted the same colors as a desert sunrise. Near the Jardín (town square), Old Town, anchored by the Parroquia de San Miguel de Allende, is a cool place to hang with the locals and admire the Gothic-style spires and arches and other architectural wonders. If you want to get a real feel for San Miguel, rent a house (sanmiguelrental.com) complete with maid, cook, and private pool. There are plenty of fine restaurants, day trips (Dolores Hidalgo, a must), and nightclubs with live music. However, our favorite activity in San Miguel is shopping. Maybe that's why we always run into so many of our Dallas compatriots.





Best Place To Lessen Your Carbon Footprint

The whole world is in a dither about saving the planet—even when traveling. And **Solage Calistoga** (solagecalistoga.com), the hipper, sister property to Calistoga Ranch, is the perfect destination for eco-conscious travelers. At this casually chic resort on the cusp of Napa Valley, the staff rides around on bicycles rather than motorized carts, geothermal energy heats the spa buildings and pools, and reclaimed water irrigates the grounds, populated with drought-tolerant plants. Rooms are furnished with recycled or sustainably grown materials, and the chef uses organic and locally grown produce. Guests are encouraged to get in on the green action, with two bicycles allotted per room. The town is only minutes away on bike, and it's just plain silly to drive the quarter-mile to Calistoga Roastery for your morning latté—even though that's what we would do in Dallas.



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SEX AND THE SEASHORE

How To Get There

American Airlines (aa.com) flies from DFW to Antigua daily, with a connection in San Jose, Puerto Rico.

Where To Stay

Jumby Bay, A Rosewood Resort
P.O. Box 243
St. John's, Antigua, West Indies
268-462-6000
jumbybayresort.com
Rates (in November 2008 and January-April 2009): from \$2,500 per night for villas; from \$5,000 per night for private homes.

All rates include welcome by airport concierge, round-trip airport transfers, personalized in-villa registration, all meals and beverages, unlimited use of water sports and golf cart, and personal staff of housekeeper and chef. During the 2008/2009 holiday season, all villas and private homes require a 10-night minimum. The 10-night Estate Home Escape (December 20, 2008-January 6, 2009) includes all of the above plus two one-hour spa treatments per day and one dinner at Le Bistro for \$70,000 to \$175,000, depending on the accommodation.

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BEST PLACE TO RUN INTO A DALLASITE

How To Get There

American Airlines (aa.com) and Mexicana (mexicana.com) offer nonstop service to Leon, Mexico. Car service for the 110-mile drive to San Miguel can be arranged through Rafa Tours (rafatours@yahoo.com.mx). Car service is \$65 (for up to three passengers) or \$95 (for up to seven passengers).

Where To Stay

Villa Rentals
sanmiguelrental.com
Rates: \$850-\$2,300 per week
Casa de Sierra Nevada
Hospicio No. 42

San Miguel de Allende,
Guanajuato, México
800-701-1561
casadesierranevada.com
Rates: \$300-\$620 per night

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BEST PRIVATE DINING ROOM WITH A VIEW

How To Get There

American Airlines (aa.com) offers daily service to Singapore, with a connection in Tokyo.

Where To Stay

Ritz-Carlton, Millenia Singapore
7 Raffles Ave.
Singapore, Singapore
ritzcarlton.com/singapore
Rates: from \$280 per night; \$340 for Bubbles & Bed package

BEST FOODIE TOUR

How To Get There

British Airways (britishairways.com) flies daily nonstop from DFW to London's Heathrow Airport.

Where To Stay

The May Fair
Stratton Street, London, W1J 8LT,
England
888-201-1718
themayfairsuites.com

BEST SEASIDE REDO

How To Get There

American Airlines (aa.com) flies daily nonstop from DFW to Miami International Airport. The Tides South Beach is an easy cab ride away.

Where To Stay

The Tides Hotel South Beach
1220 Ocean Dr.
Miami Beach, Florida 33139
305-604-5070
tidessouthbeach.com
Rates: \$595-\$695 per night
through December

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BEST PLACE TO LESSEN YOUR CARBON FOOTPRINT

How To Get There

American Airlines (aa.com) flies



daily nonstop from DFW to San Francisco, Oakland, and Sacramento airports. You will need to rent a car, and the Solage Calistoga website (solagecalistoga.com) provides detailed driving directions. The Sacramento airport is easy to get in and out of, and the rental cars there are more affordable.

Where To Stay

Solage Calistoga
755 Silverado Tr.
Calistoga, California 94515
866-942-7442
solagecalistoga.com
Rates: \$450-\$875 per night (through October); \$350-\$805 per night (November-March 2009)

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BEST CHRISTMAS VACATION FOR THE FAMILY

How To Get There

American Airlines (aa.com), Delta Airlines (delta.com), and United (united.com) fly daily nonstop from DFW to Roanoke, Virginia. You can rent a car for the scenic 75-mile drive through the Allegheny Mountains or arrange a pickup through the hotel.

Where to stay:

The Homestead
1766 Homestead Dr.
Hot Springs, Virginia 24445

866-354-4653
thehomestead.com
Rates: \$195-\$860 per night (except December 23-26, which is slightly higher)

BEST CAVIAR & CHAMPAGNE BAR OVERLOOKING THE KREMLIN

How To Get There

American Airlines (aa.com) flies from DFW to Moscow with a connection at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport.

Where To Stay

Ritz-Carlton, Moscow
Tverskaya Street 3
Moscow, Russia
7 495 225 8888
ritzcarlton.com/moscow
Rates: \$800-\$5,100 per night

BEST PLACE TO GET SMASHED

How To Get There

Continental (continental.com) and US Airways (usairways.com) fly from DFW to both airports in Eleuthera, Bahamas, with a connection in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. North Eleuthera Airport (ELH) is 25 minutes by taxi to The Cove. Governor's Harbour Airport (GHB) is 45 minutes by taxi to The Cove.