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WINTER 2009

California

Calistoga

IT'S DE RIGUEUR THESE DAYS for resorts to include "green" initiatives. Few, however, are as committed as Solage Calistoga. Solar panels provide a good chunk of the resort's energy, and much of the flooring is Plyboo (a combination of bamboo and plywood); bikes are the primary mode of transportation here. Spa Solage features signature treatments from Kate Somerville brand, and the on-site restaurant Solbar has fresh, organic fare.

www.solagecalistoga.com;
866.942.7442

Half Moon Bay

IT'S HARD TO TEAR YOURSELF AWAY from the picture windows at Ritz Carlton's Half Moon Bay's restaurant Navio. Chef Xavier Solomon has created a decadent Sunday brunch. Fine caviar is abundant, and

freshly shucked oysters vie for your plate space with succulent organic prime beef and duck, handcrafted dim sum, and inventive salads. The desert "room" has a dizzying variety of temptations. Afterward, stroll to the secluded beach or book a Carita spa treatment.

www.ritzcarlton.com; 650.712-7000

San Francisco

READY FOR A NEW YOU? I-Spa at the InterContinental San Francisco offers a VIP Membership program. The spa's therapists create a customized treatment regime designed to bring about a new state of beauty and wellness. Bespoke treatments will restore, revitalize, and renew.

www.ichotelsgroup.com;
1.877.424.2449



Above: Airy hideaway suite at Solage in Calistoga.

Right: Brunch in Navio at The Ritz-Carlton, Half Moon Bay

West Coast Wishes

Top reasons to go away for a long weekend in the West: Eco-chic indulgent hideaways, city seductions, and unparalleled Pacific views

Seattle Area

THE ELEGANTLY RUSTIC WILLOWS LODGE just outside of Seattle is situated on six acres and boasts a full-service spa, two gourmet restaurants (Herbfarm and Barking Frog), and gardens dotted with sculptures by local artists.

www.willowslodge.com; 877.424.3930

YOU NEED NOT LEAVE SEATTLE FOR A GETAWAY. The pet-friendly Alexis Hotel (www.alexishotel.com; 866.356.8894), near Pike's Place Market, offers themed rooms. Stay in the Author's Suite (stocked with books) or the Art Museum Suite (artwork chosen by curator Barbara Shaiman).

www.alexishotel.com; 206.624.4844

Dine

URBAN TAVERN, the newest eatery from the brains behind Aqua, has a gastropub vibe with a sleek, modern setting and unfussy fare like grilled meat, poultry, and fish.

www.urbantavernsf.com; 415.923.4400

SHANGHAI 1930 HAS A SENSUAL, THROWBACK AURA—it's almost like you've stumbled into an illicit yet glamorous speakeasy with live jazz. Opt for the black truffle tasting menu, which updates familiar Chinese favorites with the elusive mushroom.

www.Shanghai1930.com; 415.896.5600

