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From California to the Caribbean: 5 Sunny New Getaways

Sea, desert, gardens and sun: If you're looking to escape chilly weather, we have some suggestions.

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If the thought of winter has you itching to book a sunny escape, here are five new getaways to consider, from California to the Caribbean. Check into a restored Bahamian retreat where [Greta Garbo](#) once stayed, or splurge on a luxury villa overlooking the turquoise waters of Turks and Caicos. Soak up the sun on your balcony at a sleek resort north of the hubbub in Cancún, Mexico. Try [reiki](#) at a wellness resort on a private island in the Dominican Republic. Or flee to the desert where you can delight in views of the San Jacinto mountains from a rooftop pool in Palm Springs, Calif. Whatever you choose, warm waters and barefoot adventures await.

PALM SPRINGS, CALIF.

Thompson Palm Springs



Views of the San Jacinto mountain range abound at the new 168-room-and-suite Thompson Palm Springs hotel in Palm Springs, Calif. Thompson Palm Springs

On [Palm Canyon Drive](#), in the heart of the [Uptown Design District](#) and about an hour's drive to [Joshua Tree National Park](#), this 168-room-and-suite, Hyatt-brand hotel, opened in October. All rooms, which incorporate pale wood and the palette of the surrounding desert landscape, have balconies or patios. Some have views of the San Jacinto mountain range. (An adults-only tower along with a pool and lounge is scheduled to open later this year.) Within walking distance of the [Palm Springs Art Museum](#), which was designed by [the architect E. Stewart Williams](#), the hotel celebrates the area's passion for design and culture with its own works of art, including a mosaic of rainbow tiles on its facade by [Jeffrey Gibson](#), who this year became the first Native artist to represent the United States with a solo exhibition at the Venice Biennale.

The hotel's main rooftop pool deck offers striking views of the mountains and is connected to the onsite [Lola Rose Grand Mezze](#) restaurant. Savor the vistas along with Levantine cuisine — charred meats, spreads and bread from the tandoor oven — and pair your dishes with a California beer or wine. Additional spots to drink and dine are slated to open in the coming months, including a wine-tasting room called [HALL Napa Valley](#) Tasting Room & Wine Lounge, as well as Bar Issi, from the [Boujis Group](#), a Los Angeles-based hospitality group. Prices from \$550 a night.