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EXOTIC ADVENTURE CARTAGENA

STROLLING THE RAINBOW-HUED streets of Cartagena's old town, it comes as no surprise the beautiful Colombian city inspired an entire literary genre. This is the place that fuelled the imagination of Nobel Prize-winning Colombian author and godfather of magic realism Gabriel Garcia Marquez. It is a place where he envisioned the fantastic intermingling with everyday life.

To see Cartagena is to realize this surreal dream. Perched on the Caribbean Sea and encircled by an elaborate stone wall built centuries ago to ward off invading pirates, the city's old town tells the story of Cartagena's history as a thriving port. Magnificent churches and colonial mansions bursting with bougainvillea appear around every corner, solidifying the city's status as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

To experience Cartagena to the fullest, book a stay at an exclusive boutique hotel; there's nowhere more honeymoon-appropriate than Casa San Agustin. Step through the property's ornate gates and you'll discover a tranquil escape where history meets modernity. With just 20 guest rooms and 11 suites spread across three exquisitely restored 17th-century colonial homes, Casa San Agustin has the intimacy of a luxurious family home with all the thoughtful amenities of a five-star hotel. A palm-fringed courtyard frames a pool set against an ancient aqueduct, while original frescoes adorn the walls. At the heart of the property sits Alma, a modern Colombian restaurant with world-class fare and live music, which is rated among the best places to dine in Cartagena. This hotel is a true refection of the city, highlighting the area's rich past and exciting future as one of the most fashionable destinations in South America.—Jen O'Brien



Rooms at Casa San Agustin are filled with thoughtful details.



Dine al fresco at Alma restaurant.



The Ranch at Rock Creek is the world's best spot for a cowboy-chic honeymoon.

RUSTIC ROMANCE MONTANA

THERE'S A SENSE OF QUIET that comes over you in Montana. Maybe it's the vastness of the state (it's the fourth largest after Alaska, Texas and California), the scarcity of tall buildings, which inspired its "big sky country" moniker, or the fact that it's home to more cattle than people.

The most beautiful of the treasure state's many gems can be found near the Sapphire Mountains in the heart of western Montana. The Ranch at Rock Creek is a 6,600-acre all-inclusive luxury dude ranch designed for discerning travellers like Kate Bosworth and Scarlett Johansson, who both held their weddings on the property. The ranch is home to 29 one-of-a-kind accommodations that range from well-appointed lodge rooms to luxury homes and stunning creekside glamping cabins. Once your accommodations at this Relais & Châteaux property are booked, ranch ambassadors work with you to curate a bespoke itinerary of activities to help you make the most of your rustic-chic honeymoon. Choose between exhilarating local pastimes like horseback riding, target sports, fly fishing, hiking, archery and a host of other seasonal activities while exploring the ranch's meadows, forests and namesake creek. The dining experiences at The Ranch at Rock Creek are perhaps the most exciting of all. Executive chef Josh Drage creates elaborate farm- and ranch-to-table tasting menus complemented by fine wines and craft beers that truly celebrate the best that Montana has to offer. Ranch evenings are capped off at the on-site saloon, complete with a bowling alley, where guests can mingle over craft cocktails.

Tucked into elegant Western accommodations next to a roaring fire surrounded by rolling hills and distant snow-capped mountain peaks, Montana's appeal is undeniable and for a peaceful rest after months of wedding planning, there's simply no better escape.—J.O.



Camping goes glam with The Ranch's plush cabins.

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