

AUBERGE RESORTS

AUBERGE'S ESPERANZA RESORT AND THE INN AT PALMETTO BLUFF VOTED NO.1 IN TRAVEL + LEISURE'S 2010 WORLD'S BEST AWARDS

*Sister Properties Auberge du Soleil and Calistoga Ranch Receive Top Honors Among the Top 50
Resorts in the United States*

MILL VALLEY, CALIF. (July 12, 2010) – *Travel + Leisure's* 2010 World's Best Awards, have once again recognized [Auberge Resorts](#) among the very best in the world. [Esperanza Resort](#) in Cabo San Lucas was voted No.1 "Best Resort in Mexico" and No.1 "Best Hotel Spa in Mexico," receiving the most votes simultaneously in two categories in one year, while [The Inn at Palmetto Bluff](#) in Bluffton, South Carolina was named No.1 "Best Hotel Spa in the Continental U.S. and Canada," the third No.1 ranking in the World's Best Awards in just two years. Sister properties [Auberge du Soleil](#) and [Calistoga Ranch](#) were also named among the "Top 50 Resorts in the U.S. and Canada."

The World's Best Awards are a result of *Travel + Leisure's* exceptionally well-traveled readers judging and rating their choice of properties in categories including guestrooms and facilities, location, service, restaurants/food and overall value, while spa rankings were based on their ambience, treatments, service and value. The resort rankings follow.

- **Esperanza Resort (Cabo San Lucas, Mexico)**
No.1 Best Resort in Mexico
No.1 Best Hotel Spa in Mexico
No.56 Resort in the World
- **Inn at Palmetto Bluff (Bluffton, South Carolina)**
No.1 Best Hotel Spa in the Continental U.S. and Canada
No.2 Best Resort in the Continental U.S. and Canada
No.40 Resort in the World
- **Auberge du Soleil (Napa Valley, Calif.)**
No.10 Best Resort in the Continental U.S. and Canada
No.93 Resort in the World
- **Calistoga Ranch (Napa Valley, Calif.)**
No.23 Best Resort in the Continental U.S. and Canada

“It is an honor for so many of our properties to be included on *Travel + Leisure’s* World’s Best list and to receive such exceptional scores from our guests,” said Mark Harmon, CEO of Auberge Resorts. “This recognition is both rewarding and inspiring for our dedicated staff who go above and beyond for every guest to create a memorable and personalized experience.”

The 15th annual World’s Best Awards are featured in the August issue of the magazine and online at www.travelandleisure.com/worldsbest.

About Auberge Resorts

Auberge Resorts is a collection of exceptional hotels, resorts and private clubs, each with a unique personality that assures a memorable guest experience. Among the distinctive properties are Auberge du Soleil, Napa Valley; Esperanza, Cabo San Lucas; Calistoga Ranch, Napa Valley; The Inn at Palmetto Bluff, South Carolina; Encantado, Santa Fe; Rancho Valencia Resort and Spa, Rancho Santa Fe, California, with several others currently in development. While Auberge Resorts nurtures the individuality of each establishment, all are characterized by a set of communal elements: intimate, understated elegance; captivating locations that inspire exceptional cuisine and spa experiences; and gracious yet unobtrusive service. For more information about Auberge Resorts, please visit www.aubergeresorts.com.

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