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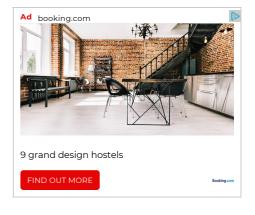
From a Gilded Age forest camp in the Adirondacks to a casita in Peru's Sacred Valley, *AD* presents 9 stunning guest accommodations with their own working hearths

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The Lowell's Hollywood Suite living room. Photo: Courtesy of The Lowell

Call it mad, but there are plenty of travelers out there who fancy a restful vacation that does not involve sipping umbrella drinks and slathering on sunscreen. Of course, the beach can be downright lovely, but there's something so gratifying about coming in from the snap of a bitterly cold climate—only to be warmed by the snug respite of your lavish hotel. And in such circumstances, is there anything cozier than a fireplace? Only if





it's one in your very own hotel room. A temporary home where you can curl up with a great book or a significant other. Imagine tartan throws for midday lounging and a perfectly good reason to sip hot toddies. Herewith, nine beautifully designed hotel rooms, each with their own fireplace.



Photo: Chris Sanchez

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Hotel Adlon Kempinski: Berlin

Situated in Berlin's city center, this big fancy hotel manages everything you seek out in a property to embody both luxury and coziness. Book the Royal Suite—it was fit for Queen Elizabeth II and Michael Jackson—with a baby grand piano, a formal sitting room, and a wood-burning fireplace. The room includes traditional butler service; he dons a morning coat for day and tails in the evening. He's available to collect guests from the airport, expertly pack luggage, mix a cocktail, or prepare afternoon tea. Want to enjoy the morning paper fireside? The butler will first iron the pages. <u>kempinski.com</u>



Photo: Courtesy of Ashford Castle

Ashford Castle: County Mayo, Ireland

You can't mention a room with fireplaces and not conjure up images of a castle. So here it is: The grand Ashford Castle in County Mayo, Ireland, is an impressive 800-year-old structure. The staterooms, located in the oldest part of the castle, feature four-poster beds and original fireplaces that date back to the 13th and 17th centuries. The grand chandeliers, velvet furnishings, fanciful draperies, and big bouquets of fresh flowers in the sitting room make this the kind of place that has you skipping a day of sightseeing to slip on your robe, order room service, and hole up fireside. <u>ashfordcastle.com</u>



Photo: Courtesy of Post Ranch Inn

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Post Ranch Inn: Big Sur, California

Perched alongside the cliffs above the Pacific, Post Ranch Inn is a redwood retreat with peace and privacy in mind. Luxury, too, of course: Each of the 39 guest rooms comes outfitted with a fireplace and is void of television or alarm clocks. The Pacific Suite, for example, offers 960 feet of indoor and outdoor living space and is constructed with all-natural architecture that fully embraces Big Sur's natural beauty. There's custom-built furniture, and the private deck has a stainless-steel outdoor hot tub. Once you've soaked, you can sip a glass of California wine by the fire. <u>postranchinn.com</u>



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The Lowell: New York City

A stay at this Upper East Side property feels as if you've acquired your very own New York City pied- à-terre. Nestled into a charming row of townhomes, it's one of the only hotels in Manhattan with real, wood-burning fireplaces. Each of the 33 rooms that boast such a luxury come with a fireplace concierge, on hand to build a fire, using wood sourced in rural Pennsylvania, with a handful of aromas that range from calming and therapeutic lavender to the invigorating and restoring scent of rosemary. Or perhaps one might fancy the soothing and strengthening scent of balsamic cedarwood. Until June 2019, guests can book a fireplace package that includes a bottle of red wine, an alpaca throw, a fireplace butler and more. *lowellhotel.com*



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The Point: Saranac Lake, New York

Situated on 75 secluded acres in the Adirondacks, The Point was originally built as a Gilded Age camp by William Avery Rockefeller. Today, the property is under new ownership, which has ushered in a refreshing renovation by Paige Hammond of Westport Interiors. Each of the 11 guest rooms has a woodburning fireplace—ideal for curling up with a mulled wine after



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ice fishing on Upper Lake Saranac. And the Great Hall, with a roaring fireplace on each end, and spruced up with new drapery, lighting, and furniture, is where guests gather in black tie come Wednesday and Saturday evening to harken back to the high society of deep forest house parties. *thepointsaranac.com*



Photo: Courtesy of The Balmoral, A Rocco Forte Hotel

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The Balmoral: Edinburgh, Scotland

For chic lodgings in Scotland's capital, a stay at The Balmoral, A Rocco Forte Hotel, will do nicely. The Scone & Crombie Suite, named for the Scone Palace in Perthshire, sweeps over 2,000 square feet of space with a dining room and walk-in wardrobe; it's played host to former presidents, royalty, and celebrities such as Elizabeth Taylor and Sophia Loren. The master bedroom was designed with a color palette to reflect the Scottish countryside, while the sitting room boasts floor-to-ceiling windows that look upon the city's Old Town. Naturally, there's a working fireplace with a bundle of fresh-cut wood, ready and waiting, in a nearby basket.





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The Ritz-Carlton: New Orleans

Located on the fringe of the French Quarter, The Ritz-Carlton New Orleans is housed in the original 1908 Beaux Arts Maison Blanche building and embodies the iconic city around every turn: gumbo samples at 5 p.m., cocktails in the leafy courtyard, and live jazz in the Davenport Lounge. Though steamy New Orleans might be the last place you'd imagine finding a fireplace in a guest room, it's there—in the Ritz-Carlton Suite—and it's spectacular. The room has a separate living space with said fireplace, along with a billiards table, and a palatial terrace that overlooks downtown New Orleans. <u>*ritzcarlton.com*</u>



Photo: Courtesy of Twin Farms

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Twin Farms: Barnard, Vermont

If you can imagine the most luxurious summer camp for adults, complete with an extraordinary wine cellar and country-chic accommodations—that's about what it feels like to stay at Twin Farms. Spread upon 300 acres in Barnard, Vermont, the property was originally the home of author Sinclair Lewis and his wife Dorothy Thompson. Today, each of the 20 accommodations has been uniquely designed; one might boast a covered porch and another could have a copper bathtub; all have a crackling fireplace, best used when it's lit by the staff to return toasty warm from dinner. *twinfarms.com*



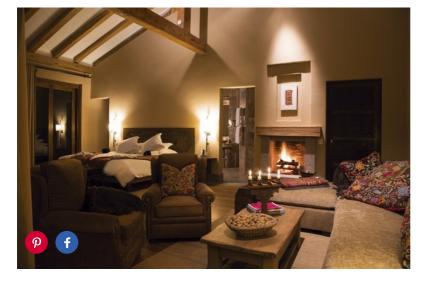


Photo: Courtesy of Inkaterra Hacienda Urubamba

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Inkaterra Hacienda Urubamba: Sacred Valley, Peru

Located on 100 acres, this contemporary hacienda-style property is tucked into Peru's Sacred Valley, and is where a lot of guests seek respite after hiking Machu Picchu. There's not a whole lot to do in this town—and that's entirely the point. The property offers everything from morning hikes to evening cocktail hour; and the twilight mountain walk is particularly magical, with a chance to see the Southern Cross. All 24 stand-alone casitas boast a woodburning fireplace with pre-Columbian antiques, Andean textiles, custom ceramics, and local furniture. But the Owners Quarters are especially spacious, with a fireplace and dining area, living space, and panoramic views. *inkaterra.com*



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