



FOR THE LOCAVORE HOME CHEF

COOKING AND WINE CLASSES Watch Hill. Rhode Island YEAR-ROUND

Last year, The Ocean House, a Relais & Chateaux property in Watch Hill, Rhode Island, opened the 3,000-square-foot Center for Wine & Culinary Arts, where guests can master the art of the soufflé or even compete in a Chopped-like cooking challenge (using prime New England ingredients, of course; Ted Allen not included). The Wine Education Program, built around the Center's 8,000-bottle cellar, offers classes on proper food pairings and palate training. Want something even more personal? Take a jaunt with the Food Forager (yes, that's a real title) and create a menu all your own. oceanhouseri.com



FOR THE OENOPHILE

WINE-TASTING RIVER-BARGE CRUISE

APRIL TO OCTOBER

If sipping Châteauneuf-du-Pape while floating down a river in France on a private luxury barge with seven of your closest friends sounds appealing (and how could it not?), you're in luck, Belmond Afloat in France offers journeys through Rhône, Provence, Burgundy and more. Want a lesson with your Beaujolais? Pascal Wagner—a wine consultant and dangerously charismatic man-offers a Wine Academy. For ultimate bragging rights, opt for the Grand Cru week and taste all 33 produced in Burgundy. Belmond says there's not a single place all are stored, sold, or served together outside of this itinerary. belmond.com



FOR THE INTREPID FOODIE

PERUVIAN GASTRONOMIC TOUR Lima, Cusco, and Machu Picchu **MAY THROUGH OCTOBER**

"Peru's geography makes it a paradise of biodiversity," says Brisa Deneumostier, a Noma alum and Peruvian chef who is a guide on this Butterfield & Robinson trip organized with Saveur magazine. "Such a variety of products come from the coast, the Andes, and the Amazon, providing regional cuisines from different areas of Peru." The weeklong culinary expedition includes everything from a ceviche demonstration, coffee class, and Pisco tasting in Lima to a lunch in Cusco cooked in an earth oven, Pachamanca-style. The food focus is interrupted briefly for a day trip to Machu Picchu, but, well, when in Peru... butterfield.com



FOR THE SERIOUS ANGLER

TROPHY FISHING Noyes Island, Alaska JUNE TO AUGUST

At Steamboat Bay Fishing Club, spend your day catching trophy-size king salmon, halibut, and snapper with pro fishing guides and then head back for a gourmet dinner made with what you reeled in (think smoked-salmon mac 'n' cheese). Throw in some whale watching, a crabbing session (why not?), and plenty of time in the hot tub with a glass of Glenlivet. Go with a group and stay in the Residence, a new manor-style house with a transparent floor showcasing the salmon stream below. If you pull in a huge haul, don't fret: The resort will fillet, flash freeze, and FedEx it home to you. steamboatbay.com



FOR THE ADVENTUROUS GOURMAND

TRUFFLE BIKE TOUR Piedmont, Italy **OCTOBER 18-23**

Like truffles and biking? This fall, **Duvine** Cycling, a luxury bicycle vacation company, offers a truffle bike tour of Piedmont. Besides sniffing out the prized mushrooms with a truffle hunter, you'll bike and eat your way through the scenic countryside. Dine at Michelin-starred restaurant La Ciau del Tornavento, and then the next day accompany Chef Maurillo Garola to the market to gather provisions for lunch at his wife's Barbaresco winery. The hotels are equally extraordinary; At the II Boscareto Resort, treat your tired glutes and quads to a three-and-a-half-hour (!) Sovrana Full Sensation massage. duvine.com