

GETAWAY

LUXURY *eco escapes*

Take a trip that restores you and the planet. The newest green getaways meet every travel style, so you can reconnect with nature or get a hit of city culture, all while protecting the environment.

Eco travel has never been more popular: Almost three-quarters of people in a Booking.com survey favor responsible travel choices, and 70 percent say they are more likely to pick an accommodation if it's environmentally friendly. "Travelers are eager to experience the world in a more sustainable way, and the industry is responding," says Arjan Dijk, the chief marketing officer at Booking.com.

Increasingly, trips are designed to prevent over-tourism and leave less of a footprint on local communities. And they're healthier for travelers too. More organic, locally sourced, plant-based foods are available at hotel restaurants; you can have a deeper, more meaningful connection with your surroundings, whether it's in the wilderness or a city; and you go home with the satisfaction of having traveled in a responsible, respectful manner.

No matter what type of trip you're looking for, we found five green options that will energize and inspire you, while doing good along the way.

1 *DuVine Cycling & Adventure Co.*

U.S., EUROPE,
LATIN AMERICA,
AFRICA, ASIA

These small, customized luxury cycling trips through wine country let you experience your destination like a local. DuVine focuses on bringing tourism into small towns rather than major cities, and with a guide from the region, you'll bike on back roads, stay in small inns, eat at family-owned restaurants, and visit independent artisans. For example, in Alentejo, Portugal, you'll ride through olive groves, stay in a renovated 15th-century convent, and cook with a local chef. (From \$2,795 for 4 days, includes gear, accommodations, meals, and activities, duvine.com)

2 *Kasiya Papagayo*

GUANACASTE,
COSTA RICA

Untouched nature meets total indulgence at this seaside resort. The top priority here is conserving the tropical forest, so the eco-friendly suites (built from sustainable materials and powered by solar energy) are designed to be in total harmony with—and have no impact on—the 123 acres of wilderness that surround the hotel. This includes spring water and paths made from wood, not cement. You can enjoy the waves, fresh air, mountain hikes, and sounds of the birds and monkeys with a clean conscience. (Rooms from \$615, including all meals, snacks, and sports equipment, like snorkels and kayaks, kasiya.com)

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A GREENER TRIP
More and more travelers are actively seeking out ways to reduce their environmental impact, research shows.



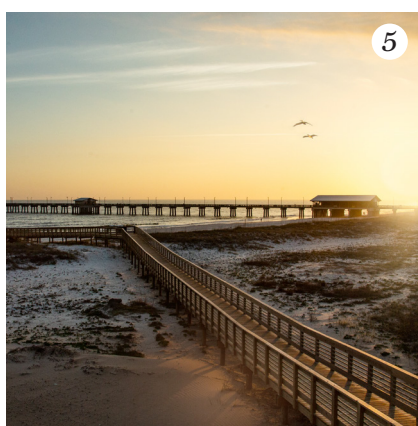
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3 *Hotel West Hollywood*

WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA

Located in the Hollywood Hills with a view of the city below, this hotel is one of the most energy efficient in the Los Angeles area. Designed to be a place where you can connect with nature, the property has an organic, sustainably grown vegetable garden, 100-year-old olive trees, and a beehive. A farm stand in the lobby is stocked with fresh seasonal fruits that look imperfect but are still delicious—produce bought from growers that would otherwise go to waste. The hotel's restaurant, 1Kitchen by Chris Crary, serves locally and sustainably sourced breakfasts and

lunches, like the turmeric ricotta and beets (above). Even the minibar, curated by Hannah Bronfman, has locally sourced products for wellness-conscious guests. (Rooms from \$449 a night, [ihotels.com/west-hollywood](https://www.ihotels.com/west-hollywood))

4 *Villa Copenhagen*

COPENHAGEN

Copenhagen's goal is to become, by 2025, the world's first carbon-neutral city. And it has already been named one of the world's happiest and healthiest cities. That's incentive enough to book a room in this chic brand-new hotel. The building, however, is not so new—it started as a post office over 100 years

ago. The refurbished design is part modern Nordic and part neo-baroque, and it offers a luxe, sustainable experience in the city's cultural center. The hotel's many sustainability efforts include using new technology to convert food waste into green energy, working with ethical suppliers to preserve the environment, using renewable energy, and designing some furniture from recycled ocean waste. (Rooms from \$210, [villacopenhagen.com](https://www.villacopenhagen.com))

5 *The Lodge at Gulf State Park*

GULF SHORES, ALABAMA

Stay in a peaceful state park with 28 miles of hiking and biking trails, a butterfly garden, a nature center, and

miles of beachfront just steps from the lobby. The Lodge was rebuilt in 2018 to be more environmentally friendly and to help guests spend time outside. Much of the landscaping is designed to provide habitats for birds and sea turtles by using native species that can thrive without irrigation, chemical pesticides, or fertilizers. From May to October you can catch an amazing sight on the beach at night: the sea turtles during nesting and hatching season. During the day you can go kayaking to search for marine life, grab binoculars to go birding, or explore the park's nine different ecosystems with a naturalist as your guide. (Rooms from \$130 a night on weekdays, \$165 on weekends, [hilton.com](https://www.hilton.com)) ■

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