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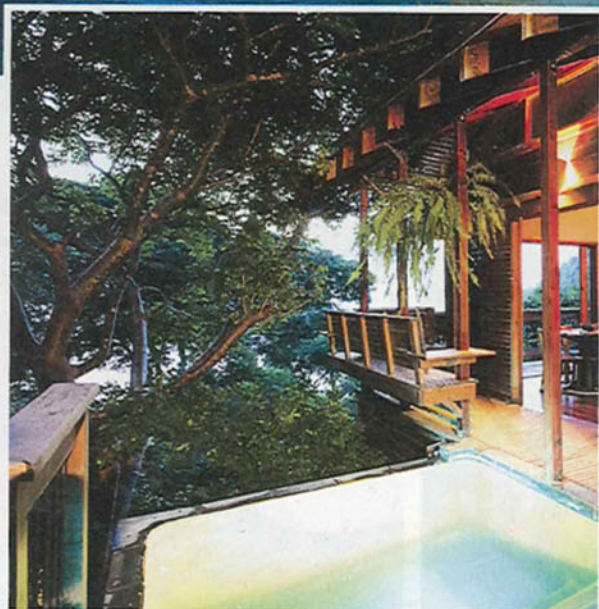
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CABO SAN LUCAS, ▶ MEXICO

With its dramatic views of the Pacific Ocean and *Mar de Cortés*, Cabo San Lucas lends a secluded feel to a heavy-hitting list of prime resorts. Check into the **Secrets Puerto Los Cabos Golf & Spa Resort** (secretsresorts.com), an all-inclusive enclave located in a posh community.

When you're ready to abandon your intimate bliss, take a stroll through the eclectic neighboring town of **San José del Cabo**. San José del Cabo is much more low-key: full of vibrant colors, charming streets and traditional Mexican buildings dating back to around 1700. No wonder it's an A-listers's hot spot.



◀ RIVAS, NICARAGUA

Considered the new Costa Rica, Nicaragua is cheaper, less developed and even safer than its Central American neighbor. Colonial cities, deserted beaches and lush rain forests make the country stunning; but the local food, luxe spa resorts and folkloric festivals make it fun. After exploring Nicaragua's wild side, hide away at **Aqua Wellness Resort** (aquanicaragua.com), located on the Pacific coast and boasting tree-house accommodations with private plunge pools overlooking the beach. Be sure to try their traditional dishes like *nacatamales* and *chicharrón*.

◀ NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND

Historic ocean-side mansions, the dramatic **Cliff Walk trail** and iconic lighthouses make the coastal town of Newport an idyllic New England retreat. Splurge to snuggle up at the posh **Castle Hill Inn** (castlehillinn.com); and use your second day to head 40 minutes inland to the art-centric city of Providence. Home to the prestigious Rhode Island School of Design, Providence is also the center of a burgeoning Latino arts scene, including the annual **Providence Latin American Film Festival**.

SANTA BARBARA, ▶ CALIFORNIA

A breathtaking coastline and expansive vineyards have given Santa Barbara the moniker "The American Riviera." But Santa Barbara's major appeal is its Mexican and Spanish roots. The city's delights include an 18th-century Spanish mission, picturesque gardens and historic landmarks like **Casa del Herrero** (casadelherrero.com), an enchanting 1925 Spanish colonial estate. Stay at **The Canary**, a boutique hotel (canarysantabarbara.com) with a prime location downtown, where great restaurants abound. Dine at **Los Agaves** (los-agaves.com) for traditional Mexican dishes with a gourmet touch (without the upscale prices).

