

These 10 Coastal Hotels Ooze Made-in-America Charm

From New England to the Pacific Northwest, plan your summer with these design-forward beach escapes

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Jumping the waves. Lobster roll picnics at the beach. Sunset boating. For many, nothing says summer like being on the water. As life pivots to something resembling normalcy, it's time to tap into old-fashioned on-the-shore fun at some of America's top coastal retreats.



Four Seasons Hotel at The Surf Club, Miami

Back in the 1930s, the tony Surf Club hosted the likes of Frank Sinatra and Elizabeth Taylor. Now, it clocks in as the most luxurious hotel in Miami if not all of Florida. Architect <u>Richard Meier</u> designed the translucent steel-and-glass hotel hovering above the original Mediterranean Revival clubhouse to mirror the movement of the sun and clouds.

Inside, Parisian designer <u>Joseph Dirand</u> conjured a quiet grandeur with custom built-in banquettes with travertine swivel tables set off by green Connemara marble from Scotland and white fluted cast-plaster walls

Dirand also transformed the former ballroom into the Lido Restaurant and Champagne Bar, where the impact of the original arched mahogany ceiling, set off by massive brass lanterns by Brossier Saderne, and clusters of palms are nothing short of va-va-voom.