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HOTELS

STYLISH STAYS

From hip, urban stays in Las Vegas and Chicago to a unique coastal Newfoundland retreat, here are three noteworthy properties that really deliver.



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THE CROMWELL
Las Vegas

At the bustling cross-section of Las Vegas Boulevard and Flamingo Road, and across from the Bellagio and Caesars Palace, you'll find The Cromwell. This 188-room boutique hotel oozes glamour, thanks to the beautiful melding of modern and vintage decor that runs throughout the property. All rooms are Parisian inspired, with hardwood floors, vintage furnishings, bold wallpaper and mood lighting.

The hotel's relatively small size means guests can expect intimate service such as hallway coffee and tea stations and a champagne reception on Friday nights. Other highlights include a large casino with a private gaming room, Drai's (a rooftop nightclub and beach club) and Giada De Laurentiis' first restaurant, appropriately named Giada. Rates from US\$189.

(caesars.com/cromwell) —Sara Samson



ELEGANT ICONOCLAST

THOMPSON CHICAGO
Chicago

In the heart of Chicago's trendy Gold Coast, just minutes from The Magnificent Mile and Lake Michigan, this edgy hotel inspires the rebel in you, thanks in part to the provocative art that fills the lobby walls and guestrooms.

The 247 guestrooms are spacious, with Instagram-worthy city and lake views. You'll appreciate luxurious touches like built-in USB nightstand chargers and a Lexus house car that delivers you anywhere within a five-mile radius.

Dining at Nico Osteria and imbibing at the plush Salone Nico is another highlight. The elegant Italian restaurant makes its full menu available for room service, which means you can savour trippa alla Romagna or cotechino sausage over lentils for breakfast in bed.

Summer rates from US\$249. (thompsonhotels.com) —Amber Gibson



RURAL RETREAT

FISHERS' LOFT INN
Port Rexton, Nfld.

What began as a four-room B&B in 1997 has turned into one of the largest and most eclectic rural retreats in Newfoundland. Located in the charming coastal village of Port Rexton (approximately three hours from St. John's), the Fishers' Loft Inn and Conference Centre embodies the warm hospitality the province has long been known for. Overlooking a scattering of colourful houses that border the sea, the inn's beautiful, airy rooms are accented by the region's largest art collection as well as furniture that was hand-made in the nearby town of Bonavista.

In summer, embark on one of the area's many hiking trails, then enjoy traditional dishes prepared with ingredients from the inn's English-style gardens and greenhouses and seafood from the area's many fisheries. Rich seafood stews and house-baked breads are among the many highlights. Rates from \$140.

(fishersloft.com) —Agatha Podgorski



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