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Top Resorts

(With 100 or more rooms, based on Overall score)

- 29 Four Seasons Hualalai, *Big Island, HI*
28 Four Seasons Wailea, *Maui, HI*
27 Ritz-Carlton, *Naples, FL*
Four Seasons Aviara, *Carlsbad, CA*
Ritz-Carlton, *Orlando*
Lodge at Koele, *Lanai, HI*
Inn at Spanish Bay, *Pebble Beach, CA*
Stein Eriksen Lodge, *Park City, UT*
Greenbrier, *White Sulphur Springs, WV*
Royal Palms, *Phoenix*
Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort, *Naples, FL*
Kahala Mandarin Oriental, *Oahu, HI*
St. Regis Monarch Beach, *Dana Point, CA*
Four Seasons at Troon North, *Scottsdale, AZ*
Montage Resort, *Laguna Beach, CA*
26 Ritz-Carlton, *Amelia Island, FL*
Phoenician, *Scottsdale, AZ*
Lodge at Pebble Beach, *Pebble Beach, CA*
Ritz-Carlton Laguna Niguel, *Dana Point, CA*
Sanctuary on Camelback Mtn., *Paradise Valley, AZ*
Ritz-Carlton, Bachelor Gulch, *Avon, CO*
Fairmont Kea Lani, *Maui, HI*
Cloister, *Sea Island, GA*
Ritz-Carlton, Lake Las Vegas, *Henderson, NV*
American Club, *Kohler, WI*
Four Seasons at Las Colinas, *Irving, TX*
Manele Bay Hotel, *Lanai, HI*
Broadmoor, *Colorado Springs*
Boulders, *Carefree, AZ*
Disney's Grand Floridian, *Orlando*
St. Regis, *Aspen*
Ritz-Carlton Reynolds Plantation, *Lake Oconee, GA*
Ritz-Carlton, *Half Moon Bay, CA*
Enchantment Resort, *Sedona, AZ*
Ritz-Carlton Key Biscayne, *Miami*
25 Four Seasons, *Palm Beach, FL*
Four Seasons Resort, *Santa Barbara, CA*
Inn on Biltmore, *Asheville, NC*
Ritz-Carlton Kapalua, *Maui, HI*
Nemacolin Woodlands, *Farmington, PA*
Mauna Lani Bay Hotel, *Big Island, HI*
Bacara, *Santa Barbara, CA*
Ritz-Carlton, *Sarasota, FL*
Fairmont Orchid, *Big Island, HI*
Breakers, *Palm Beach, FL*
Fairmont Scottsdale Princess, *Scottsdale, AZ*
Fairmont Turnberry Isle, *Aventura, FL*
JW Marriott Ihilani, *Oahu, HI*
Grand Hyatt Kauai, *Kauai, HI*
Lodge at Torrey Pines, *San Diego*

Top Rooms

(Based on Rooms score)

- 29** Twin Farms, *Barnard, VT*
Woodlands Resort & Inn, *Summerville, SC*
Four Seasons Hualalai, *Big Island, HI*
Lodge at Sea Island, *Sea Island, GA*
Milliken Creek Inn, *Napa, CA*
Peninsula, *Chicago*
Château du Sureau, *Oakhurst, CA*
Sunset Key Guest Cottages, *Keys, FL**
Canoe Bay, *Chetek, WI*
- 28** Rancho Valencia Resort, *Rancho Santa Fe, NM*
Peninsula, *Beverly Hills*
St. Regis Monarch Beach, *Dana Point, CA*
Blackberry Farm, *Walland, TN*
Post Ranch Inn, *Big Sur, CA*
Farrington House, *Pittsboro, NC*
Four Seasons, *New York City**
Amangani, *Jackson, WY*
Four Seasons Wailea, *Maui, HI**
Point, *Saranac Lake, NY*
W Silicon Valley, *Newark, NJ*
Four Seasons, *Chicago*
Mandarin Oriental, *Miami*
Barnsley Gardens, *Atlanta*
Four Seasons, *Las Vegas*
Windsor Court Hotel, *New Orleans**

Top Service

(Based on Service score)

- 29** Château du Sureau, *Oakhurst, CA*
Canoe Bay, *Chetek, WI*
Four Seasons Hualalai, *Big Island, HI*
Blackberry Farm, *Walland, TN*
Lodge at Sea Island, *Sea Island, GA*
Twin Farms, *Barnard, VT**
- 28** Four Seasons at Wailea, *Maui, HI*
Inn at Little Washington, *Washington, VA*
Four Seasons, *Beverly Hills*
Four Seasons, *Chicago*
Four Seasons, *Las Vegas*
Ritz-Carlton, *Chicago*
Ritz-Carlton, *Naples, FL*
Peninsula, *Chicago*
Golden Door, *Escondido, CA*
Canyon Ranch in the Berkshires, *Lenox, MA*
Woodlands Resort & Inn, *Summerville, SC*
Point, *Saranac Lake, NY*
Kenwood Inn, *Kenwood, CA*
Bel-Air, Hotel, *Los Angeles*
Four Seasons, *New York City*
Peninsula, *Beverly Hills*
Halekulani, *Honolulu, HI*
Greenbrier, *White Sulphur Springs, WV*
Four Seasons, *Philadelphia*

Top Dining

(Based on Dining score)

- 29** Lodge at Sea Island, *Sea Island, GA*
Woodlands Resort & Inn, *Summerville, SC*
Farrington House, *Pittsboro, NC*
Inn at Little Washington, *Washington, VA*
Blackberry Farm, *Walland, TN*
- 28** Château du Sureau, *Oakhurst, CA*
Chalet Suzanne Inn, *Lake Wales, FL*
Mansion on Turtle Creek, *Dallas*
Four Seasons Hualalai, *Big Island, HI*
Canoe Bay, *Chetek, WI*
Twin Farms, *Barnard, VT**
Royal Palms, *Phoenix*
Bellagio, *Las Vegas*
White Barn Inn, *Kennebunkport, ME*
- 27** Little Palm Island, *Little Torch Key, FL*
Ritz-Carlton, *Chicago*
Mandarin Oriental, *Miami*
Four Seasons, *Philadelphia*
Windsor Court Hotel, *New Orleans*
Inn at Langley, *Langley, WA*
Morrison House, *Alexandria, VA*
Castle on the Hudson, *Tarrytown, NY*
Homestead Inn, *Greenwich, CT*
Vintners Inn, *Santa Rosa, CA*
Peninsula, *Beverly Hills*

Top Public Facilities

(Based on Public Facilities score)

- 29** Lodge at Sea Island, *Sea Island, GA*
Four Seasons Hualalai, *Big Island, HI*
Barnsley Gardens, *Adairsville, GA*
Ritz-Carlton, Bachelor Gulch, *Avon, CO*
- 28** Blackberry Farm, *Walland, TN*
Inn at Spanish Bay, *Pebble Beach, CA*
Canyon Ranch in the Berkshires, *Lenox, MA*
Golden Door, *Escondido, CA**
Greenbrier, *White Sulphur Springs, WV*
Ritz-Carlton Reynolds Plantation, *Lake Oconee, GA*
Bellevue Club Hotel, *Seattle, WA*
Peninsula, *Chicago**
Ritz-Carlton, *Naples, FL*
Ritz-Carlton, *Orlando*
Four Seasons Aviara, *Carlsbad, CA*
Lodge at Pebble Beach, *Pebble Beach, CA*
Canyon Ranch, *Tucson, AZ*
Nemacolin Woodlands, *Farmington, PA*
St. Regis Monarch Beach, *Dana Point, CA**
Four Seasons at Las Colinas, *Irving, TX*
Park Hyatt, *Beaver Creek, CO*
Grand Hyatt Kauai, *Kauai, HI*
Grand Wailea Resort, *Maui, HI*
Boulders, *Carefree, AZ*
Phoenician, *Scottsdale, AZ*

Big Island

FAIRMONT

25 | 25 | 23 | 27 | \$469

ORCHID, THE 新×島上📍

1 N. Kaniku Dr., Kohala Coast; 808-885-2000; fax 808-885-1064; 800-845-9905; www.fairmont.com/orchid; 486 rooms, 54 suites
A sunset “beachside massage” watching “turtles do water ballet” is “too dreamy to be real” report regulars who relish the “extremely solicitous staff” at this “uncrowded” resort with an “immense” pool and a gorgeous beach “safe for snorkeling”; add in “world-class” golf and “terrific” dining at Brown’s Beach House where they’ll “sashimi a tuna you catch”, and it’s heaven for all but those who cry over decor “lacking an authentic Polynesian” feel.

FOUR SEASONS RESORT

29 | 29 | 28 | 29 | \$560

HUALALAI 新×島上📍

100 Ka’upulehu Dr., Kaupulehu-Kona; 808-325-8000; fax 808-325-8200; 800-332-3442; www.fourseasons.com; 212 rooms, 30 suites, 1 villa
“Perfection, utter perfection” rhapsodize reviewers who’ve once again rated this “honeymooners’ paradise” the No. 1 Resort in this Survey – and why not? “the outdoor lava rock showers are a blast”, the spa is “voluptuous”, “dining by the ocean in the moonlight” is “truly special” (try Alan Wong’s Pacific Asian cuisine), the “most amazing fitness center” allows you to exercise outdoors and it all “never feels crowded, even when completely full”; as if that weren’t enough, the “classy staff” “recognizes you by name” and is filled with “Aloha spirit.”

Hapuna Beach

24 | 23 | 21 | 25 | \$399

Prince Hotel 新島上📍

62-100 Kauna’oa Dr., Kohala Coast; 808-880-1111; fax 808-880-3142; 866-774-6236; www.princeresortshawaii.com; 314 rooms, 36 suites
You’re greeted with passion fruit juice and a scented wash towel in the “open-air lobby” of this “elegant” resort where a “relaxing” stay means time on the “amazing Arnold Palmer golf course”, strolls on the “long beach” and access to the facilities of sister property Mauna Kea next door; the service is “excellent” and dining options are “very good”, but the multilevel resort is “difficult to navigate.”

Hilton Waikoloa Village 新島上📍

20 | 21 | 20 | 27 | \$369

425 Waikoloa Beach Dr., Waikoloa; 808-886-1234; fax 808-886-2900; 800-445-8667; www.hiltonwaikoloavillage.com; 1159 rooms, 57 suites, 25 cabanas

Families ask “what more could you want” from “Disney World, Hawaiian style” than this “fairy-tale place” with “whales frolicking” and “dolphins swimming up to you”?; most love getting around the “massive” resort by taking the “tram one way” and a boat the other, or just walking through the “excellent art” collections; water buffs “wallow in waterslide pools” or snorkel alongside sea turtles, and though most applaud the “informative staff” and “great spa” others are irritated it “doesn’t have its own beach.”

Kona Village Resort 新島上📍

25 | 25 | 23 | 25 | \$530

Kaupulehu Dr., Kailua-Kona; 808-325-5555; fax 808-325-5124; 800-367-5290; www.konavillage.com; 125 bungalows
Paradise lovers claim “total bliss” at this “Eden of lagoons and flowers” with “no electronic distractions (phone, TV, radio)”, where

Hawaii

★ Tops in State

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