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# CARIBBEAN UPDATE

ANTIGUA ST. BARTHS PUERTO RICO  
*plus* OUR FAVORITE BEACHES

{ 2011 READER SURVEY RESULTS }

{ CANDID REVIEWS BY A WRITER WHO TRAVELS INCOGNITO AND ALWAYS PAYS HIS OWN WAY }

# 2011 Reader Survey Results

EACH YEAR, WE ASK YOU TO TELL US ABOUT YOUR TRAVEL PLANS. Despite the continuing downturn, I am delighted to report that Andrew Harper members still vacation an average of 32 days a year. Most encouragingly, 31 percent of respondents say they will travel *more* this year than last, with a clear majority (58 percent) saying that they expect to travel “about the same amount.”

Amazingly, almost 10 percent of *Hideaway Report* readers say that they travel more than 65 days a year! One correspondent replied to our question, “Where will you travel in the next 12 months?” as follows: “Three weeks in Italy, in Cernobbio, Positano and Ravello. Four weeks in Bangkok, Chiang Rai, Chiang Mai and Singapore. Five weeks in Dorset, Brittany and Saint-Jean-Cap-Ferrat. Two weeks or more in Switzerland (Wengen and Kandersteg). Then back to Italy in the fall; Southeast Asia in the winter. Would like to fit in India or Morocco.” To which I can only say that it is a travel schedule of which I myself would be proud!

On the following pages we list the Top 20 U.S. and International Hideaways, properties with 75 or fewer rooms. In addition, we’ve compiled your favorite beach resorts, city hotels, family escapes, food and wine properties, golf resorts and spas.

Among 2011 winners, special mention must be made of California’s Post Ranch Inn, which has now been voted No. 1 U.S. Hideaway for the *fourth* year in a row. My sincere congratulations to the management and staff of this superb resort!



2011  
READERS'  
CHOICE

# BEACH RESORTS

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2011  
READERS'  
CHOICE

- 1 Little Dix Bay**  
BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS
- 2 Four Seasons Hualalai**  
HAWAII
- 3 Mauna Kea Beach Hotel**  
HAWAII
- 4 The Sanctuary**  
KIAWAH ISLAND, SOUTH CAROLINA
- 5 Cap Juluca**  
ANGUILLA
- 6 The Cloister**  
SEA ISLAND, GEORGIA
- 7 Las Ventanas al Paraíso**  
LOS CABOS, MEXICO
- 8 Four Seasons Punta Mita**  
MEXICO
- 9 Peter Island**  
BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS
- 10 Maroma**  
RIVIERA MAYA, MEXICO
- 11 Mauna Lani Bay Hotel**  
HAWAII
- 12 Caneel Bay**  
U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS
- 13 Acqualina**  
SUNNY ISLES BEACH, FLORIDA
- 14 Montage Laguna Beach**  
LAGUNA BEACH, CALIFORNIA
- 15 Four Seasons Maui**  
HAWAII
- 16 The Wakaya Club & Spa**  
WAKAYA ISLAND, FIJI
- 17 Amankila**  
BALI, INDONESIA
- 18 The Ritz-Carlton, Naples**  
NAPLES, FLORIDA
- 19 Lizard Island**  
AUSTRALIA
- 20 Petit St. Vincent**  
ST. VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES

# SPA RESORTS

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2011  
READERS'  
CHOICE

- 1 Canyon Ranch**  
TUCSON, ARIZONA
- 2 Miraval**  
TUCSON, ARIZONA
- 3 The Cloister**  
SEA ISLAND, GEORGIA
- 4 Enchantment**  
SEDONA, ARIZONA
- 5 Golden Door**  
ESCONDIDO, CALIFORNIA
- 6 Canyon Ranch**  
LENOX, MASSACHUSETTS
- 7 Lake Austin Spa Resort**  
AUSTIN, TEXAS
- 8 Maroma**  
RIVIERA MAYA, MEXICO
- 9 Mayflower Inn & Spa**  
WASHINGTON, CONNECTICUT
- 10 The Greenbrier**  
WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS,  
WEST VIRGINIA
- 11 Cal-a-Vie**  
VISTA, CALIFORNIA
- 12 Rancho La Puerta**  
BAJA CALIFORNIA, MEXICO
- 13 The American Club**  
KOHLER, WISCONSIN
- 14 Montage Laguna Beach**  
LAGUNA BEACH, CALIFORNIA
- 15 Ojai Valley Inn & Spa**  
OJAI, CALIFORNIA
- 16 Amangiri**  
CANYON POINT, UTAH
- 17 Auberge du Soleil**  
RUTHERFORD, CALIFORNIA
- 18 Four Seasons Hualalai**  
HAWAII
- 19 Mandarin Oriental**  
NEW YORK CITY
- 20 The Resort at Pelican Hill**  
NEWPORT BEACH, CALIFORNIA