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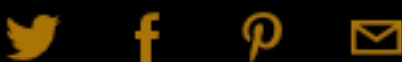
18 Best Hotels in Austin

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As the city's popularity has exploded, so has its options for places to stay.



Maybe it's the crazy population growth or popular business-meets-pleasure events like SXSW, but, suddenly, everyone wants to spend time in Austin. And the hotel industry is rising to meet the demand: from boutique hotels in eclectic neighborhoods to swanky downtown properties that showcase the city's love of live music, and even a bohemian-spirited hostel, these are the places that let you live like a local—cold longneck beer included. Whether you're planning to come for a landmark event or a quick weekend visit, start planning your trip with our picks for Austin's best hotels.



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Set on a picturesque hillside of its namesake lake, this all-inclusive destination spa attracts relaxation-seekers from all over—in fact, you'll see them, all buffed and polished from their treatments, strolling the grounds all day in their robes. Beds are extremely soft, with a down comforter to cozy up to, and the bathroom's lavender-scented products are from the resort's own line; in fact, they're the ones used in your spa treatments. Speaking of: the spa uses products grown on the grounds (wildflower and organic honey are used in the facial scrubs) and some treatments take place in semi-open settings.

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