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INSTYLE Palm Springs

THE CITY'S CROWN JEWEL

What was once a singular glass-walled outpost of swimwear and dresses in psychedelic prints is now the incredible flagship of Trina Turk's empire. The Palm Canyon Drive shop established in 2002, has expanded with the brand, which now operates 11 stores nationwide A recent renovation created sections dedicated to the designer's menswea line, Mr. Turk, and Trina's equally sunny home décor.



Each spring, more than IOO,OOO EDM, rap, and rock lovers travel to the Palm Springs area for the Coachella Valley Music and Arts Festival. The fabled resort city—Hollywood's go-to playground since its '5Os heyday, when Marilyn Monroe and Frank Sinatra made it their dreamy So-Cal desert escape—now boasts I43 hotels, I6O storefronts, and more than 35O days of sunshine year-round. Here's where to shop, stay, and savor a spa day in the shimmering oasis.

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Where You'll Find the Cool Kids

Hint: Head to the hotels. These six check-in points provide a lot more than just a place to stay.

THE RESTAURANT

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Snag a rez at L'Horizon Resort's Michelin-star-chef-helmed eatery and dine alfresco on the intimate, tree-lined patio. Try one of the rustic, decadent dishes, like blistered sea scallop carpaccio, and save room for dessert—you won't want to share the fabulous Mont Blanc chocolate mousse. 1050 E. Palm Canyon Dr.; 760-323-1858.

THE POOLSIDE SNACK

CHI CHI Grab a chaise at the Avalon Hotel's south-of-the-border hot spot, known as much for its tasty tapas as for its views of yummy swimmers. Latin fare abounds, so order a traditional plate, like a fresh assortment from the chili-spiced-fruit cart. The Desert Jewel, a crisp mandarin vodka-infused cocktail. is a must.

415 S. Belardo Rd.; 760-318-3005.



THE COFFEE JOINT

STUMPTOWN COFFEE ROASTERS

The Ace Hotel Palm Springs offers feel-good vibes all day long at its swim club, but if you're in need of a jolt, hit up this java kiosk in King's Highway diner. After a caffeine shot, work off some energy in the photo booth nearby. 701 E. Palm Canyon Dr.; 760-325-9900.

THE MEET-UP SPOT

SPARROWS LODGE If quiet is what you seek, check out this nature-

check out this naturefilled 1950s retreat, newly restored and reopened. The 21-and-over hub offers a calm refuge at the outdoor fire pit. Order microbrews and Cali wine from the Barn Kitchen, which stays open until 11 P.M. 1330 E. Polm Conyon Dr.; 760-327-2300.

THE HOTEL

V PALM SPRINGS HOTEL

This I40-room sleeper, cushioned inside wildflower-filled grounds, is the latest oasis in town, having opened its doors in March. Settle into a savasana pose during weekend-morning yoga, or just relax in your room—there's a swing on every patio.

333 E. Palm Canyon Dr.; 760-327-1211.



PARKER PALM SPRINGS With its cheeky Jonathan

With its cheeky jonathan Adler-designed interiors and 13 acres of lush grounds, this colorful resort is girls' weekend heaven. Get blowouts at Palm Springs Yacht Club spa, eat brunch at five-star diner Norma's, and take a dip in the saline pool. Finish with martinis at the gilded Mini Bar while you wish you never had to leave.

4200 E. Palm Canyon Dr.; 760-770-5000.



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Craving a little more privacy? There are 3,947 active **Airbnb** listings in Palm Springs, and according to the site, that number is growing. Among the stellar options: this mountainside villa in the Mesa, a celebrity-coveted neighborhood known for its Mediterranean-style homes. The three-bedroom sleeps six and features panoramic valley vistas, a 28-foot pool, and nearby hiking trails with a waterfall view. \$660/night (minimum three nights); reserve ot airbnb.com/rooms/856647l.

