



SEE YOU THERE

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This was the window view I couldn't wait to see again

More than a year since our last flight it felt amazing to feel the sink into the chair during takeoff.

I was really impressed with the constant reminders about how to wear a mask - over the nose as well! ;)



Washington D.C.

First trip was to the east coast to explore Washington D.C. and Virginia. Absolutely beautiful lush green in every direction. A gorgeous clean city with excellent restaurants, impressive buildings, quaint areas like Georgetown and old historic Alexandria and lots of great hotel options.

Vaccine's are flowing and travel is picking up as more and more destinations open their borders.

I don't know about you, but I can't wait to make up for lost time and then some...

With a wealth of notable museums, iconic sights, and buzzing nightlife firmly places the U.S. capital amount the world's most vibrant and entertaining cities - one that deserves a second look.

If you haven't been to D.C. in a while, now's the time to visit. With travel numbers on the rise things are definitely picking up but we were still able to explore easily with very few crowds and people. Weather was mild with a few quick showers which coming from California was so great to experience.



Virginia did not disappoint either.

Beautiful towns and cities and lots, and lots, and LOTS of forests and parks. Absolutely stunning! We did several walks and hikes and came across lots of streams and waterfalls. The Potomac is gorgeous and you can walk along the river on either sides (Virginia or Maryland). We rented a car and Grant loved zooming up and down the winding downs with lots of little hills and you get that dropping feeling as you hit the downhill. Our version of Disneyland for now.

Anyone heard of Cicadas?

Well I hadn't heard of them until planning this trip and they appear in a bunch of areas across the east coast and they are now "invading" the areas for the first time in

17 years. Needless to say I planned it perfectly because I am back home, bug free glad to have avoided them. It is insane, there are approximately 100'000 per acre and they arise from the soil and live for about 4 - 6 weeks. I highly recommend a trip to the DMV in 6 - 8 weeks time :)

We stayed at the Ritz Carlton which did not disappoint. Beautifully appointed rooms and suites and excellent service!

When we checked out, one of the staff members actually she will miss me. Ok, it's been a while since I've traveled but that was pretty special. Probably one of the nicest things after the long prison sentence of being stuck at home was the nightly turn downs and never making my bed :P Something that was a nice surprise was that there was a hair straightener in our bathroom as well as a hair dryer AND it wasn't the usual no name brand. Girlfriends, I know you're impressed too.



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Where to next?
Deciding on where to go is always tricky with so many options but... I need some R&R so that means:

One&Only
PALMILLA
Los Cabos

Cabo San Lucas

My first trip to the Cabo peninsula had a lot of unknowns... is it safe, is it just for a "spring break" crowd? What I found was it can be many things and you are able to choose the right fit with the right information. With so many amazing properties you are spoiled for choice with all inclusive, non inclusive, busy night life, quiet and cosy, active and adventure, you name it and it is all with many different pricing options sure to suit every budget. At the moment a lot of people are choosing to stay closer to home and there is a reason Cabo is a hot choice. During our trip I will be touring a few resorts and hotels to have first hand experience when advising clients.



Spotlight on California



In 2020 and especially before being fully vaccinated we chose to stay a little closer to home. One of the best perks was because it was driving distance, my BFF and baby could join us so Mia had an incredible time at this most gorgeous resort with only 49 casitas! I had the opportunity to see a variety of casitas and was very impressed. Super dog friendly resort!

Rancho Valencia, one of Southern California's most celebrated luxury resorts. Situated in a private enclave in beautiful Rancho Santa Fe the intimate resort sits on 40 acres of rolling hills and lush landscaping. Rancho Valencia is sought out for its spacious, hacienda-inspired accommodations and lush grounds. From the moment you arrive, you'll feel an unmistakable sense of comfort in this relaxed yet refined, sophisticated yet understated atmosphere. And, with a year-round sunny climate, it's perfect for enjoying a variety of outdoor activities.



Famed for its natural charm and classic California character, the resort offers a host of activities for your spontaneous enjoyment – and a staff poised to accommodate your every notion. Experience The Restaurant, acclaimed for its Coastal-Rancho cuisine. Tee off at The Farms Golf Club in Rancho Santa Fe, one of Southern California's premier private golf courses, in close proximity to the resort. Revitalize in our magnificent spa. Practice your serve with a pro. Or simply relax in your suite. The day is yours.

Rancho Valencia is located 25 miles north of San Diego, just a half-hour drive from the San Diego International Airport.

Some of the perks I am able to offer clients:
Upgrade on arrival, subject to availability
Daily full breakfast for two guests per bedroom \$100 USD Resort credit
Early check-in/late check-out, subject to availability
Complimentary Wi-Fi



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