

DRIVABLE Getaways

a list of truly special resorts, all within driving distance from New Jersey. They're perfect for a mini-moon, honeymoon, girl's getaway or just some time away with your love! —BY MOLLY GREGOR

1 BLACKBERRY FARM, TENNESSEE

Blackberry Farm is a bucket-list destination for sure. This luxury hotel, situated on 4,200 acres in the Great Smoky Mountains, ranks as one of the top-rated resorts in the world—and with good reason. Enjoy the spa, fly fishing, hiking, biking, horseback riding or carriage rides, only to be topped by Blackberry's renowned farm-to-table cuisine, house-brewed craft beers and award-winning wines. Extraordinary only begins to describe your stay here. Rates start at \$1,095 per night for two, which includes all meals and activities; blackberryfarm.com.





2 WHITE BARN INN, MAINE

Indulge in candlelit dinners, restorative massages and invigorating swims in a serene rock pool at this idyllic, coastal Kennebunk hideaway. The White Barn Inn offers restored rooms in its historic inn, but it's the charming, private waterfront cottages that look so inviting. You can cook alongside the chef, go on a private cycling tour with the resort's general manager or take a wine and cheese pairing class. There's so much to explore along the coast of Maine, and did we mention lobster? Rates start at \$395; aubergeresorts.com.

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3 TWIN FARMS, VERMONT

This dog-friendly, five-star resort focuses on your well-being by offering seasonal activities throughout its 300 acres of forest, meadows and ponds. With just 20 rooms, it's all about seclusion, privacy and relaxation. Along with superb meals and wines, choose from bicycling, swimming, tennis, croquet, picnicking, canoeing, hiking, a bee tour, a visit to the spa, skiing on property, fly fishing, sledding, ice skating or billiards at the Pub. All-inclusive rates start at \$1,700; twinfarms.com.



5 OCEAN HOUSE, RHODE ISLAND

If fresh seafood ranks high on your list, Ocean House will surely over-deliver. This historic beachfront resort offers world-class amenities that include luxe accommodations, farm-to-table cuisine and an award-winning spa. Take cooking classes, go yachting, tour the extensive art collection with the inhouse art curator, sample wine from the 8,000 bottle library or spend the day in nearby Newport touring the mansions of the Gilded Age. Rates start at \$765; oceanhouseri.com.



4 THE MAYFLOWER INN, CONNECTICUT

For a peaceful country getaway, the Mayflower Inn offers 58 acres of beautiful gardens and woodlands, perfect for a restorative visit. Stay in the lavish country house with its farm-fresh cuisine, and recharge at the spa. Guided forest hikes, ecology walks, trail biking, kayaking, paddle-board yoga, tennis, snow shoeing and cross-country skiing are also offered. Rates start at \$749 per night; aubergeresorts.com.



6 GURNEY'S MONTAUK RESORT, NEW YORK

Head to the eastern end of Long Island for fashionable fun in the sun and a great beach escape. Gurney's is the only hotel in the Hamptons situated right on the sand, complete with loungers and umbrellas—reserved for resort guests only. King daybed and cabana rentals are also available. Take advantage of their concierge service for access to local restaurants and activities to make your trip even more magical. Choose a room, suite or beachfront cottage, all with ocean views. Rates start at \$780; gurneysresort.com.

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