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The 8 Best Hotels In Miami

here are many reasons to book a trip to Miami, whether you're in it for the relentless nightlife or can't wait to flop onto a beach chair with a green juice and not move for days. A mere three-hour flight from New York, most travelers are after some combination of sun and sand, which is why our list of the best hotels in Miami is focused heavily on the luxury properties and wellness escapes of Miami Beach and the South Beach strip.

What's not to love? Miles of white sand beaches and turquoise seas fulfill the desire for warmth and water, the party scene never disappoints, the vibrant art scene is world-renowned, and there is still a place for those who just want to relax poolside without ever setting foot inside a dance club. Below, the best hotels in Miami for relaxing, rejuvenating and imbibing.

For the Art Enthusiast: The Faena



The Faena Hotel Miami Beach NIK KOENI

Faena Hotel Miami Beach

Who Will Love It: The art aficionado

All-Star Amenities: The South American-inspired spa complete with waterfall therapy; direct beach access and a traditional

hammam

What Not To Miss: A selfie in front of the famed 10-foot-tall woolly mammoth skeleton encased in 24-karat gold by artist Damien Hirst

Those who love a good Instagram photo op will drool over the dazzling designs of Faena Hotel. 'The Great Gatsby' director Baz Luhrmann and his production designer wife Catherine Martin gave the 1940s property an extravagant makeover inspired by old Hollywood in 2016. Classic Art Deco design motifs (found in the gold color palette, signature red accent pieces and colorful furniture) are present in every inch of the property, from the hotel's 179 guest rooms to the perfectly styled pool with red and white candy-striped lounge chairs. Right outside the lobby in the Mammoth Garden you'll spot Damien Hirst's famed 25-karat gold woolly mammoth skeleton sculpture encased in hurricane-proof glass, as if there wasn't already enough visual stimulation to absorb. After your artistic palate has been fully satiated, head upstairs to the spa for an afternoon of total bliss on the marble hammam.