Artful Lodging in Santa Barbara

hese days, hotels are beginning to increase their allure by offering more than just overnight accommodations. Some feature amenities like fine art displays, aquarium views, farm experiences, pop-up shops, or guided

activities to help guests tap into their emotions or create memories. "Boutique hotels really focus on the experience and not just on the room stay," says hotelier Maya Mallick.

One of Mallick's properties, Riviera Beach House (riviera beachhouse.com, from \$300) in Santa Barbara's Funk Zone, manifests this trend as a

satellite location for the Museum of Contemporary Art Santa Barbara.

The current exhibit, *Changing Nature*, features works by Madeleine Eve Ignon and Stephanie Dotson, who address the changing nature of landscapes and internal states of being. "It really brings the space alive in a different way," Mallick says.

Wine tastings and early evening summer-weekend DJ events are also in the works.



Under Canvas North Yellowstone-Paradise Valley (undercanvas.com/camps/north-yellowstone, from \$329), the newest destination for the safari-style glamping company, wins the location lottery for its proximity to Yellowstone National Park's Lamar Valley, where guests can observe wolves and some of the largest wild herds of bison and elk.

Positioned along the Yellowstone River with vast views of the northern Rocky Mountains' rugged Absaroka Range, North Yellowstone-Paradise Valley also offers convenient access to hiking trails, hot springs, and the Pine Creek Lodge outdoor music venue.

"While the national park is so incredible, we do find guests wanting to dive more into the authenticity of what Montana has to offer," says general manager Harry Bradley. That includes sunset floats down the river in hand-carved wooden dories and stargazing programs.

Stay at two or more Grand Circle camps and receive a 25% discount.



In Santa Barbara, the walls of Riviera Beach House serve as an extension of the local museum of contemporary art.

HOT TIP IN NAPA VALLEY

Shop like a celebrity in Napa Valley. At **Stanly Ranch**,

Auberge Resorts Collection

(aubergeresorts.com/ stanlyranch/fifth-avenue-clubcontact), fashion aficionados whether they're staying at the hotel or not—can enjoy a red carpet–style shopping experience at Saks Fifth Avenue's Fifth Avenue Club.



The fun begins with a pre-arrival consultation to discuss trends and personal wardrobe goals and continues at the Fifth Avenue Club, located in a suite at Stanly Ranch. "Guests can be confident they will find pieces they'll treasure," says general manager Laura McIver. •

A new Under Canvas encampment offers glamping accommodations in Paradise Valley, just north of Yellowstone National Park.