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Sinya on Lone Man Creek sits on 5 shady acres in Texas.

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FIVE PLACES TO SPEND THE NIGHT AND RECHARGE WITH THE MOST GRACIOUS HOSTESS OF ALL: MOTHER NATURE

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Stay at 5,000 feet in the Smokies at The Swag Country Inn.

El Cosmico

MARFA, TX

THE SETUP Home to eight vintage trailers, a Mongolian yurt, three tepees, and eight canvas tents, this nomadic campground in the High Plains is a Bohemian dream. The open layout is meant to connect fellow travelers.

WHY WE LOVE IT Location, location, location. Although Marfa is rustic and secluded (the closest major airport is over three hours away), the town has a strong art scene, which was kicked off by modernist Donald Judd in the

eighties. El Cosmico is within walking distance of dozens of galleries, stylish shops, and fine restaurants.

THE NITTY-GRITTY Rates start at \$85 and include access to a communal outdoor kitchen and bikes. Open year-round. elcosmico.com

High Hampton Inn & Country Club

CASHIERS, NC

THE SETUP In the 1800s, Wade Hampton III—a Civil War general, South Carolina governor, and U.S.

The stylish safari tent at Sinya on Lone Man Creek

Senator—built the Hampton Hunting Lodge as a family escape from the Lowcountry heat. After it burned down in 1932, the current three-story main lodge was built. The inn echoes its mountain roots with locally made furniture and poplar and chestnut walls. Accommoda-



El Cosmico has tepees, yurts, and trailers in the desert.



tions range from suites to 14-bedroom cabins where the whole family can stay.

WHY WE LOVE IT It is blissfully quiet. There are no phones, TVs, or temperature-control units in the guest rooms, so you have no choice but to unplug. The mountain breeze stands in for air-conditioning, and the hum of crickets replaces the buzz of modern gear.

THE NITTY-GRITTY The starting rate of \$136 per person (double occupancy) includes breakfast, lunch, and

dinner. Open April through November. highhamptoninn.com

Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill

HARRODSBURG, KY

THE SETUP Shaker culture is all about simplicity, and that's the spirit captured at this 3,000-acre historic landmark, featuring pared-down rooms and countryside vistas.

WHY WE LOVE IT Shakers were doing farm-to-table long before it was cool. Learn their agrarian practices by helping harvest crops to be used at the on-site restaurant.

THE NITTY-GRITTY Pay \$110 per night for a room and get access to free seminars on topics from broom-making to beekeeping. Open year-round. shakervillageky.org

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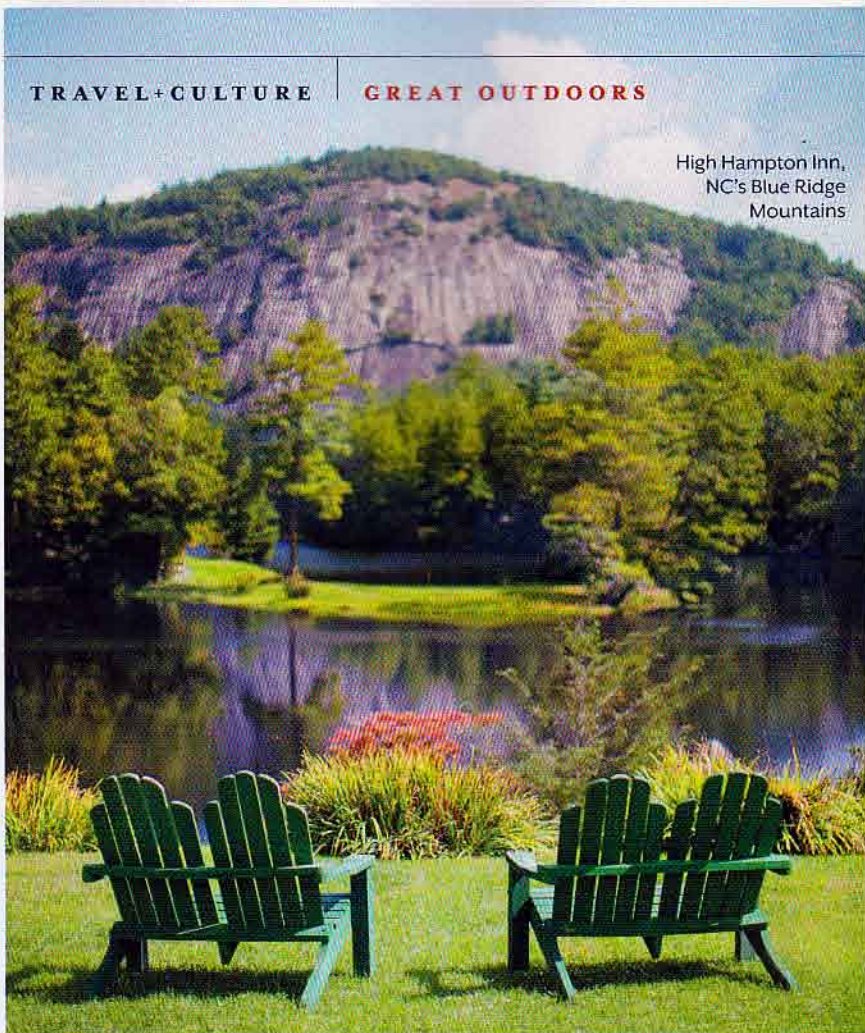


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GREAT OUTDOORS

High Hampton Inn,
NC's Blue Ridge
Mountains



Sinya on Lone Man Creek

WIMBERLEY, TX

THE SETUP After a vacation to Tanzania, Lynn Gallimore longed to bring a piece of Africa back to the Lone Star State. She bought a 435-square-foot canvas tent, outfitted it with luxe and eco-friendly amenities (such as silky bamboo linens, Gilchrist & Soames toiletries, and a vintage claw-foot tub), and now rents it to those looking to hide out in the Hill Country.

WHY WE LOVE IT You can do everything or nothing at all. Zip-line over the Wimberley

Valley, hobnob at a nearby winery, or kick back and let Gallimore arrange for an in-room massage.

THE NITTY-GRITTY The \$285 nightly rate includes everything from bathrobes to s'mores supplies. It's open year-round, but book early because there's only one tent. hillcountry.sinya.com

The Swag Country Inn

WAYNESVILLE, NC

THE SETUP This 14-room log inn was a church and then a private home before opening as a mountaintop getaway in the 1980s. With

rooms that include outdoor showers, private porches, and handmade quilts, it doesn't get any more inviting.

WHY WE LOVE IT The views are unparalleled. Not only is The Swag one of the highest resorts in North Carolina at 5,000 feet, but it also claims the Great Smoky Mountains National Park as its backyard—the inn shares 1 mile of fence with the park.

THE NITTY-GRITTY Rates, starting at \$495 per night for two people, are steep but include all meals and afternoon snacks. Open April through November. theswag.com

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