

## ELITE ESCAPES

# 9 luxurious fall escapes

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**(CNN)** — Upon arrival at the Old Edwards Inn in North Carolina, you'll be greeted with a complimentary glass of champagne.

If you're tired from your travels, you can take it to your room, lingering in the rainfall shower before stepping onto the bathroom's heated marble floors and into a plush robe.

But we recommend enjoying your bubbly in the garden, where you'll have stunning views of the Blue Ridge Mountains drenched in the reds and yellows of the season.

"Mother Nature breaks out all the stops for fall here," says Amanda Sullivan, the hotel's marketing director. "Even a leisurely drive or a simple trek through the forested trails is taken to a whole new level."

In many places throughout the United States, these coming months are a perfect time for an escape: The air is crisp, the crowds have thinned and mesmerizing colors abound.

There's no need to rough it while taking in the autumn leaves. If you'd like to enjoy a luxurious vacation this fall, here are nine hotels to consider.

## 6. Salish Lodge & Spa, Snoqualmie, Washington



Salish Lodge

This hotel, owned by the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe and just 30 minutes from Seattle, has a breathtaking location on the very edge of the 268-foot Snoqualmie Falls.

You might recognize it as the setting for the '90s cult classic "Twin Peaks"; it welcomes fans of the show with themed spa treatments and drinks. Thanks to an on-site apiary, the hotel is also famous for its honey. You'll find the results at the spa and on the menu — most famously drizzled atop its homemade biscuits.

Its 84 rooms are elegant but understated, in earthen tones -- probably so they don't compete with the views of the forest and river. Each has a fireplace, two-person Whirlpool tub and window seat or balcony.

Activities include hiking or paddling your way through the misty Cascade Mountains and nearby waterways. Or maybe you'll just want to perfect your apple, pumpkin or pecan pie at one of the lodge's upcoming culinary classes (\$85 per person).

*[Salish Lodge and Spa](http://www.salishlodge.com), 6501 Railroad Ave, Snoqualmie, WA 98065; +1 425 888 2556*