

hotels.com Adds 1,000th Bed & Breakfast to Its Extensive Property Selection

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The company has increased its bed and breakfast selection in recent years and plans to continue adding properties based on growing demand from travelers seeking out the unique and distinct experiences offered by this type of specialty lodging.

"Whether planning a romantic trip to the heart of the city or a quiet country escape, bed and breakfasts provide a unique experience and are continuing to rise in popularity," said Steve Dumaine, director of business development for hotels.com. "In fact, our analysis of industry data suggests that Americans make more than five million trips to bed and breakfasts each year."

Dumaine added that bed and breakfasts are ideal for couples as well as small groups of friends or family members traveling together. Travelers often select these properties instead of a more traditional hotel for the following reasons:

Intimate atmosphere -- By hosting a small number of guests, bed and breakfasts offer a more peaceful retreat and personal interaction with innkeepers.

Special features -- The properties often provide much more than just a freshly prepared breakfast. Some may feature afternoon gatherings with complimentary refreshments, landscaped garden areas, reading rooms and more.

Unique locations -- Many bed and breakfasts are located in historic buildings and feature original artwork, antique collections, fireplaces and luxury furnishings.

The following is a sample of bed and breakfast properties available through hotels.com:

Mary Prentiss Inn in Cambridge, Mass. -- A Neoclassical revival mansion that was built in 1843, the inn features early American décor, four-poster beds, antique furnishings, and wood-burning fireplaces. The property, which is minutes away from Harvard University and Harvard Square, also offers made-to-order breakfasts and afternoon tea with freshly baked cookies each day.

The Veranda Bed & Breakfast in Orlando, Fla. -- Located in the historic Thornton Park area of Orlando and just two blocks from Lake Eola Park, the European-style B&B consists of five buildings dating back to the early 1900s, as well as a pool and spa tub. The property also invites guests to enjoy complimentary wine in its courtyard, which features landscaped gardens.

Cinnamon Bear Inn in Mammoth Lakes, Calif. -- Nestled in a wooded area close to the Mammoth Mountain ski area near Central California's Yosemite National Park, this non-smoking property features rustic New England colonial decor, four-poster canopy beds, and an outdoor hot tub. The inn also offers complimentary wine and cheese in the afternoons.

The Inn at the Delta in Espanola, N.M. -- Located in the northern part of the Rio Grande Valley halfway between Santa Fe and Taos, N.M., the authentic adobe inn is decorated with handmade Mexican tile floors, southwestern fabrics, and the owners' own collection of Spanish and American Indian artwork. Guests also can enjoy the B&B's signature dish of breakfast burritos as part of the complimentary continental breakfast.

Albert Pimblett's Downtown Bed and Breakfast in Toronto -- Located in the historic Cabbagetown area of downtown Toronto, this 1860s Victorian home features antique furnishings, an English garden, and a library that contains many rare and first editions of British and American literature. Guests also can enjoy dining in the walnut-paneled breakfast room that features an antique teapot collection.

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