

FROZEN IN TIME

Blantlyre, a turn-of-the-century country estate located between Boston and New York City, is a year-round getaway offering the charm and romance of another era. Along with its richly decorated interior, the towers, turrets and gargoyles of the main house give the resort the air of a fairy-tale castle.

In winter, Blantlyre becomes a frosted wonderland, its grounds blanketed in snow and its tennis courts transformed into a lighted skating rink where “ice picnics” and “snow barbecues” are favorite pastimes. When you’re ready to head indoors, escape the chill with a massage or facial at The Potting Shed Spa at Blantlyre, a gourmet meal in the Main House, or an evening wine tasting in the Music Room. blantlyre.com



RETRO INSPIRED

In early 2013, visitors to Texas’s capital will have a new place to hang their hats. Opening in The Domain, an upscale development of luxury shops, restaurants, apartments and offices, the Valencia Group’s **Lone Star Court** will be the first of its kind.

Inspired by roadside court hotels of the 1940s and 1950s, the design combines retro and modern elements for a look that’s uniquely and authentically Austin. Added attractions like nightly live music by an outdoor fire pit, high-tech room amenities and a dipping pool reminiscent of Hill Country swimming holes make Lone Star Courts an ideal destination for both business and leisure travelers. valenciagroup.com/lone_star_court.php

TASTE OF THE SOUTH

This autumn, journey to South Carolina’s beautiful Lowcountry to celebrate the best of Southern culture and cuisine. Hosted by **Palmetto Bluff**, a 20,000-acre residential community and conservation preserve, the sixth annual **Music to Your Mouth** kicks off Nov. 14. The week-long event will bring together talented chefs, brewers, growers and winemakers in the region. Visitors can attend special dinners, classes, river cruises and an oyster roast, or take advantage of a full weekend’s itinerary with the “Whole Hog Ticket Package,” limited to 150 guests.

The Inn at Palmetto Bluff offers spacious cottages, cottage suites and village homes, surrounded by picturesque waterfront and forest. The “Whole Hog and a Bed for your Head Package” includes accommodation, two Whole Hog Ticket Packages, access to Palmetto Bluff’s award-winning spa and Jack Nicklaus signature golf course, and complimentary activities like kayaking, fishing and tennis. Arrive with an appetite! music toyourmouth.com



EXQUISITE ACCESSORIES

Home to the only Henri J. Sillam boutique in the U.S., **The Peninsula Beverly Hills** is offering an exclusive experience for hotel guests. The Henri J. Sillam brand, a Vienna-based jeweler whose one-of-a-kind couture pieces are internationally renowned, dates back to 1835. The collection’s limited-edition rings, necklaces, bracelets and earrings are a favorite with celebrities and royalty.

The Romancing the Stone Package features a personal fine jewelry lesson and consultation with Sam J. Cole, co-owner of U.S. operations, as well as special pricing on signature creations and custom-designed pieces. Following the consultation, guests will join Mr. Cole for The Peninsula’s elegant “Imperial Afternoon Tea.” With this unique escape, a day of shopping for fine jewelry becomes an unforgettable event. peninsula.com/beverlyhills

