

Travel and Leisure - Top 500: The White Barn Inn & Spa

One of the hardest parts of planning a trip is deciding where to stay. Selecting the right hotel—the one that suits you best—sets the tone for your entire journey. That's why, each year, we give you the T+L 500, a compendium of the greatest hotels around the globe, as chosen by Travel + Leisure readers in our annual World's Best Awards survey. To assist you even further, we've called on T+L insiders from Sweden to South Africa, from Chile to Thailand, to give us the scoop on each property. On the following pages, you'll learn not only how readers thought these hotels compared (see the overall score) but also what distinguishes them from their competitors, where the best rooms are in each, and how to make the most of your stay. It's the ultimate hotel guide—and it's yours to use all year long.

Overall: **83.03** | Service: **87.99** | Location: **83.12**

1860's clapboard inn and outlying cottages along the Kennebunkport River, a 5-minute stroll from the village.

Stats: 28 rooms; 1 restaurant; 1 bar.

Competitive Edge: Chef Jonathan Cartwright's inventive New England cuisine served in a gorgeous repurposed barn.

Rooms to Book: Those in the antiques-filled main house have more charm; we like No. 8, which has a double-sided fireplace.

Don't Miss: A lunch cruise on the Inn's yacht.

Cost: Doubles from \$365, including breakfast.

The White Barn Inn & Spa

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