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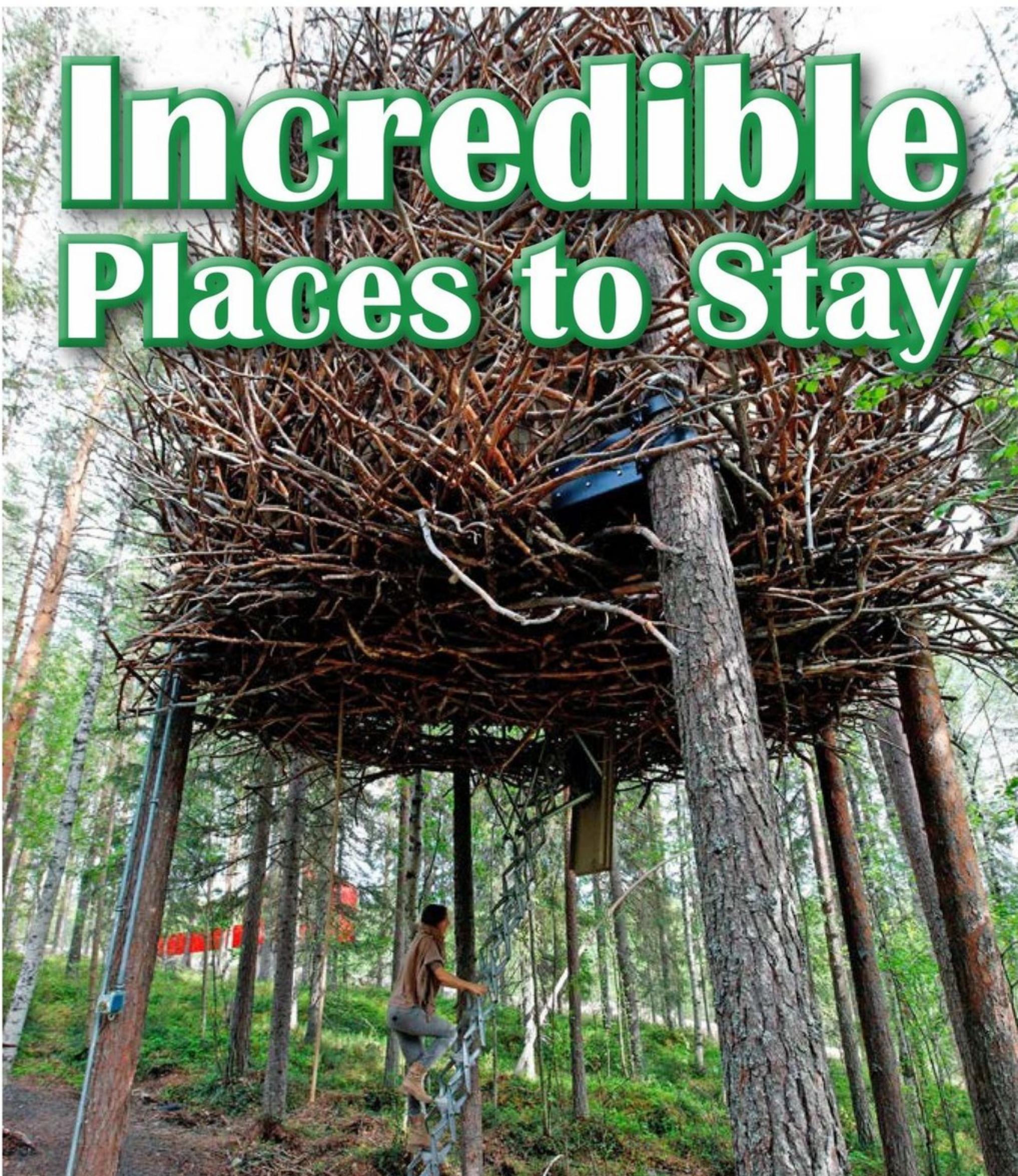
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Why are some hotels incredible places to stay?

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- ① Golden Nugget,
Las Vegas, Nevada
- ② Hôtel de Glace,
Quebec, Canada
- ③ Giraffe Manor,
Nairobi, Kenya
- ④ Treehotel, Harads,
Sweden
- ⑤ Sala Silvermine Hotel,
Sala, Sweden
- ⑥ Jules' Undersea Lodge,
Key Largo, Florida
- ⑦ Tundra Lodge,
Manitoba, Canada

Introduction

Get ready to go on a **tour** of some of the world's most amazing **hotels**. You'll swim to the bottom of the sea, sleep in a cave, and meet different animals.

Pack your bags and let's go!



A visitor slides through a shark tank at the Golden Nugget.

Sliding with Sharks

The first stop on your tour is the Golden Nugget, a hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada. How would you like to swim with sharks? A 30-foot (9 m) waterslide winds its way through a huge water tank filled with sharks! After your ride, you can take a tour of the shark tank. You will receive a real shark's tooth to help you remember your adventure.



An artist made a picture on the ice wall.

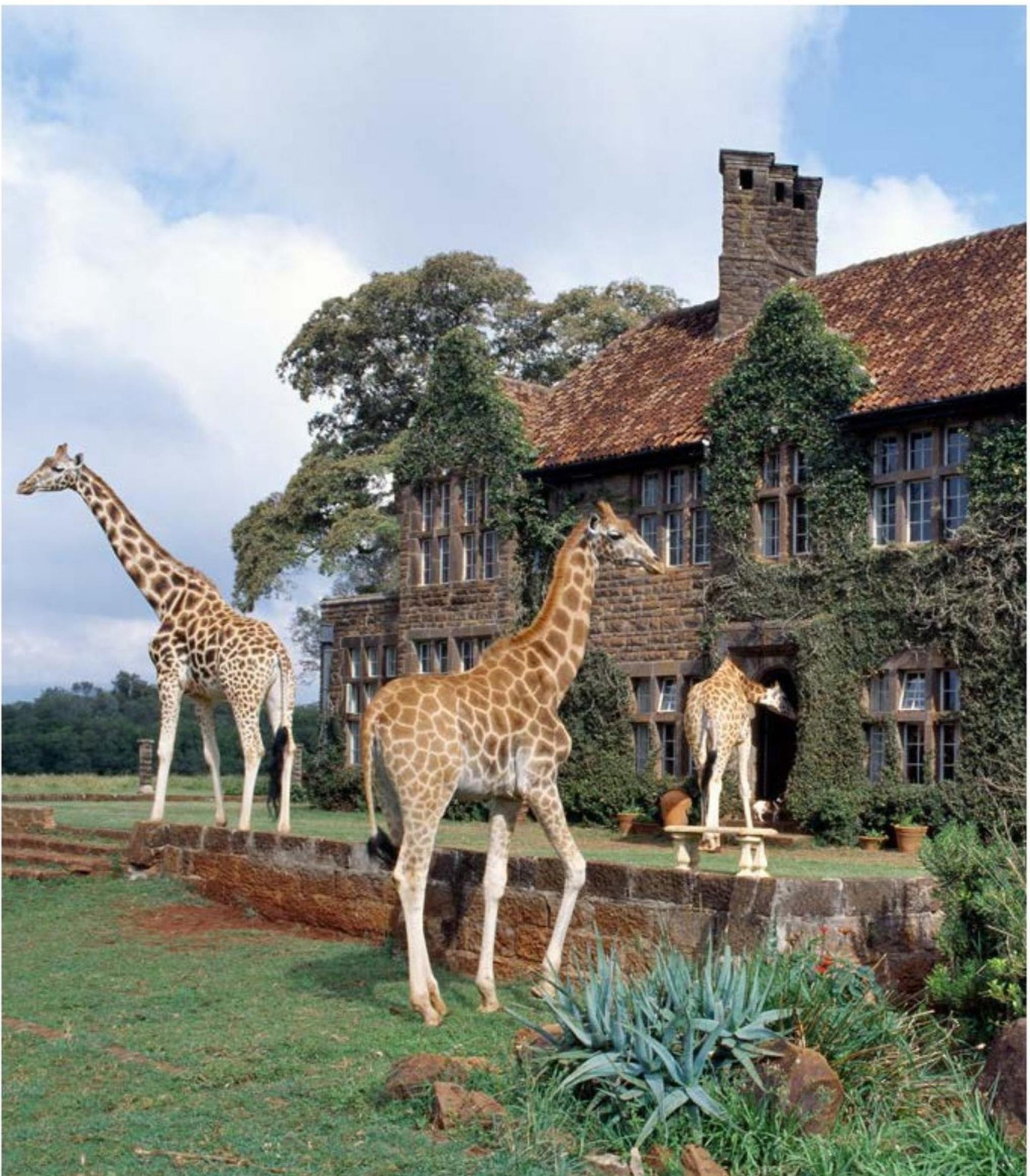
A Cool Place to Stay

The next stop on your tour is the Hôtel de Glace (O-tel DEH GLAHS) located outside of Quebec City, Canada. How cool is it? It's a work of art made of ice! The rooms, halls, and most of the furniture are carved out of ice. It all melts away in the warm weather. Artists and workers spend about forty days every winter building it.

You'll need to wear your heavy winter clothes during your stay. It's as cold as a freezer in there! You'll sleep in a special sleeping bag because the beds are made out of ice.



Take a ride on the indoor ice slide.



Three giraffes stop by Giraffe Manor for breakfast.

Breakfast with Giraffes

From Canada, you'll travel to Giraffe Manor in Kenya. The forests around the hotel are home to some of the tallest giraffes in the world.



A hungry giraffe eats food from a woman's plate.

Every morning, the giraffes leave the forest for the hotel. They stick their heads through open windows and doors. Guests feed breakfast to the giraffes. **Profits** made by the hotel support **endangered** animals.



Can you spot the Mirrorcube among the treetops?

In the Trees

The next stop on your tour is Sweden. There you'll find the Treehotel: a hotel made up of strange tree houses.

Six tree-house rooms hang 14 to 20 feet (4 to 6 m) off the ground. One room, the Mirrorcube, is covered with glass. This tree house **blends** in with the woods.



A visitor climbs a ladder to enter the UFO tree house.

Branches around the Bird's Nest tree house make it look like the home of a giant bird. Another tree house looks like a UFO from outer space.



Candles light up the dark, stone underground room.

A Room Without a View

While you're in Sweden, it is only a short drive to the deepest hotel room in the world. The Sala Silvermine Hotel sits on top of an old silver mine. Most of the rooms in the hotel are near the mine's opening. You can also spend a night hundreds of feet underground in the Mine Suite. It is located more than 500 feet (152 m) beneath the surface. Dress in warm clothes. The temperature in the mine is only about 28°F (-2°C). However, the room is warmed to 64°F (18°C).



Visitors can watch for fish through a porthole window.

Sleeping with Fish

The last stop on your tour is Jules' Undersea Lodge in the Florida Keys. Be prepared to get wet! The lodge is 21 feet (6 m) underwater. You'll need scuba gear to get to your room.

Scuba Time

The hotel offers a beginners' scuba program for divers over ten years old. If you are under ten years old, you can still snorkel on the surface of the water and come back when you are older.





A scuba diver delivers pizza underwater.

For dinner, you can even order pizza. Someone from the hotel will swim it down to you in a watertight box!

Conclusion

From the forests of Africa to the bottom of the sea, amazing hotels are everywhere. These **incredible** places to stay offer you far more than just a bed for the night. They offer you an experience that you'll never forget!



Polar Bear Fun

Tundra Lodge in Manitoba, Canada, looks like a train on huge wheels. The hotel moves over snow so that guests can get very close to polar bears.

Glossary

blends (<i>v.</i>)	becomes unnoticeable because of likeness in appearance (p. 10)
endangered (<i>adj.</i>)	in danger of dying out completely (p. 9)
hotels (<i>n.</i>)	places where people rent rooms night by night (p. 4)
incredible (<i>adj.</i>)	so unusual as to be impossible or hard to believe; amazing (p. 15)
profits (<i>n.</i>)	money earned from a business after all costs are paid (p. 9)
tour (<i>n.</i>)	a trip through a place to learn more about it (p. 4)

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Connections

Writing and Art

Draw your own one-of-a-kind hotel.

Write a paragraph that tells where in the world your hotel is located and what guests can do when they visit.

Social Studies

Choose one hotel in this book and look up information about the hotel, the country that the hotel is in, and what people can do in that area. Make a poster about these things.

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