

## Sand and sun in the Americas

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The assistant editor of Travel + Leisure gives her picks, from California to Chile

### 4 — Laguna Beach, California



Hotel Joaquin

The archetypal southern California beach town, Laguna distils all the things there are to love about seaside Orange County. The coastline twists and turns into rocky coves; surfers gather on the beaches in the misty morning; and swimsuits are acceptable attire year-round. Take it all in from the new Hotel Joaquin, a renovated mid-century motel on the Pacific Coast Highway.

*The Hotel Joaquin ([hoteljoaquin.com](http://hoteljoaquin.com)) has doubles from \$302; see also [visitlagunabeach.com](http://visitlagunabeach.com)*

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