THE WORLD'S BEST AWARDS

THE TOP CITIES, HOTELS, CRUISE LINES, DESTINATION SPAS, AIRLINES, TOUR COMPANIES, AND MORE, AS DETERMINED BY OUR VERY DISCERNING READERS.

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   Every year T+L asks readers to dish on their travel experiences—to share their opinions on everything from Southern cities to Asian islands, all-inclusive beach resorts to hilltop palazzos. Those assessments collectively define excellence in travel today, forming the basis of the World’s Best Awards.

   This year’s edition marks the biggest World’s Best Awards ever. We counted a record number of votes—more than 200,000 respondents submitted ratings—added dozens of new categories, and saw a heap of new players make the lists. (For more details on how the awards work, turn to page 81.) Kudos to all the winners, and thanks to you.

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Mexico & Central & South America

THE GALÁPAGOS WINS BEST ISLAND FOR THE 13TH CONSECUTIVE YEAR.

WINNER'S CIRCLE
SAN MIGUEL DE ALLENDE

San Miguel de Allende is known for its colonial churches and charming hotels—but not for modern sizzle. Now an intriguing food scene is changing that, led by Enrique Olvera's globally inspired hot spot Moxi. In April, French-Canadian expat Gilles Vachon opened Mon Bistro, which offers beef bourguignon, coq au vin, and live music. Mercado Centrio is a grown-up food court—there are lamb meatballs at Los Meatballs and chicken potpies and pulled-pork sandwiches at Soul Kitchen. The new La Galería is reminiscent of a 1940s music club; Spanish bites are served alongside cocktails like the signature La Galería, with vanilla-infused tequila and pineapple juice, delivered flaming.

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