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Sometimes it's necessary to take a break from the stresses of real life and spend quality time with the person you love. And what better way to do that than to travel? To help you and your sweetheart plan the ideal romantic retreat, whether it's for an anniversary or just because, U.S. News considered ambiance, privacy and access to couple-friendly activities to rank the best romantic getaways in the USA. Use this list to pick your next one-on-one vacation, and vote for your favorite locales below. Looking to stay even closer to home? Check out these romantic weekend getaways by state.

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### Kaua’i

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Kaua‘i offers many distinct ways for both thrill-seeking and sun-worshipping couples to up the romance factor. You and your sweetheart can lounge on secluded beaches, relax in a private luxury villa or go on a kayaking adventure along the picture-perfect Na Pali Coast. For even more opportunities to marvel at nature, check out Kaua‘i’s scenic state parks like Koke‘e and Waimea Canyon. Once you’ve tackled the Hawaiian island’s trails hand in hand, consider booking a private helicopter tour for a bird’s-eye view you and your better half will never forget. Read More »

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### Lanai

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Few things are more romantic than sharing a remote island with your sweetie. Lanai’s seclusion can make it feel like the two of you are alone with the Hawaiian island breeze. Head to a luxury hotel or resort to indulge in high-end cuisine and soak up some sun by the pool before exploring the tiny island’s landscape side by side. For a memorable like that requires little effort, follow the short trail from the Four Seasons Resort Lanai to the Pu‘upehe Overlook. Also known as ‘Sweetheart Rock,’ this landmark offers stunning views of Hulopoe Bay, especially at sunset. Read More »

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### Napa Valley

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Dining with rolling vineyards, cozy wine caves, chic restaurants and top-notch hotels, this wine lover’s paradise 60 miles north of San Francisco is the ultimate romantic getaway. Wine enthusiasts can sip Napa’s award-winning reds at intimate venues like O’Brien Estate and Jarvis Estate or while sampling gourmet cuisine on the Napa Valley Wine Train. When couples need a break from being wired and wired, they can explore the scenic Napa River via kayak, take to the skies on a hot air balloon ride, or visit the town of Calistoga in northern Napa Valley for its spas and hot springs. Read More »

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### Sonoma

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Another ideal retreat for wine connoisseurs, Sonoma is known to be more laid back. Pan its neighbor Napa, and boasts more than 425 wineries. However, strolling through vineyard rows isn’t the only must-do activity for twosomes. Outdoor lovers will want to explore regional parks such as Taylor Mountain (for its trails) and North Sonoma Mountain (to enjoy a picnic surrounded by the peaks of Santa Rosa and the Sonoma Valley). Plenty of Sonoma’s hotels offer spa treatments, but what could be more memorable than a massage in a 22-foot wine barrel? Book side-by-side treatments at Magical Massage for a one-of-a-kind experience. Read More »

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### Charleston, SC

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A low-key getaway, Charleston, South Carolina, is filled with pastel-hued historic homes, art galleries and tasty Lowcountry cuisine (perfect for foodie couples). To dial up the romance, take in the sights from a horse-drawn carriage or sign up for a sunset harbor cruise just for two. For a quieter seaside escape free from crowds, head to one of the nearby beaches like Sullivan’s Island. Accommodations range from bed-and-breakfast resorts to charming bed-and-breakfasts but keep in mind you’ll likely have to pay a pretty penny for a stay in the historic district. Read More »

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