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3 Great Places to Stay in San Diego

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It's hard not to think of a reason to visit San Diego. It has perfect weather year-round, beaches, a lively craft beer and dining scene, and family-friendly attractions. Here are some of the top hotels in the area.



Photo courtesy of Kona Kai Resort and Spa



Kona Kai Resort & Spa

This laid-back property sits at the far end of Shelter Island, a man-made peninsula in San Diego Bay that is located just 20 minutes from downtown and 10 minutes from the airport. Blue and turquoise touches accent the bright standard rooms, and the resort's 41 new suites feature coastal designs incorporating hand-hewn wood beams and come with large balconies overlooking the bay. Relax by the adults-only pool and indulge in a Himalayan Salt Stone massage at the spa before renting a cruiser bike to explore the palm-lined waterfront park, or—if aquatically inclined—enjoy stunning views of the San Diego skyline from a paddleboard. The resort's Vessel Restaurant offers a menu of coastal fare and views of its yacht-filled marina. The porcini-dusted sea bass with confit potatoes, avocado and wild mushrooms is a must-try. End your night with a private bonfire on the beach.

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Nearby: San Diego has high standards for Mexican food and [Miguel's Cocina](#), less than a 10-minute bike ride away, has been serving some of this border city's best for 36 years. —*Fabian Mayer*