

10 BEST LAKESIDE HOTELS IN THE US

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While some people love the crash of waves and the feel of salt on their skin from a day at the beach, for others, it's all about the calmness of a lake. Staying at a lakeside hotel is a classic American experience, conjuring images of wide porches, croquet on rolling lawns, and bonfires; think of it as summer camp for the whole family. The beauty of a lake vacation is that the resorts tend to offer just as many activities on land as they do on water. Read on for our look at 10 of the best American lakeside hotels.

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BIG CEDAR LODGE

Where: Ridgedale, Missouri

If you love to fish, consider a trip to [Big Cedar Lodge](#) in the Ozarks, owned by outdoorsman Johnny Morris, the founder of Bass Pro Shops. The resort is located on the 43,000-acre Table Rock Lake, one of the country's best bass-fishing lakes. If the fish aren't biting, guests can spend their time trying out various watersports including kayaks, canoes, wakeboarding, and kneeboarding. Sunset cruises are also available.

Insider Tip: Later this summer, Big Cedar Lodge will debut the Top of the Rock golf course, designed by Jack Nicklaus, Arnold Palmer and Tom Watson.