

### 3. Hampton Island, Ga.

You will be overwhelmed by the beauty, history and charm of Hampton Island. Located 35 minutes south of Savannah, this hidden jewel is perfect for the family. Breathtaking views of the island are available via the property's one of a kind 10-passenger seaplane, horseback ride or kayak. While there, try one of the many spa treatments offered or a private instruction yoga class. Hampton Island specializes in naturalist cuisine, so take a quick trip to the organic garden to see where your next meal is coming from (1284 Retreat Rd., Hampton Island, Ga.; 912-880-8888).



### 5. Taneytown, Md.

There could hardly be a better spot for a quiet retreat alone or a weekend romantic getaway for two than the Antrim 1844. This reasonably priced sanctuary (prices start at around \$160) near the Catocin Mountains is a prime spot for visitors to enjoy outdoor activities such as hiking, biking or skiing. While there, take a romantic carriage ride around the garden or opt for the scenic view in a hot air balloon. Located near Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington, D.C., you can dine on one of Chef Geitter's tasty entrees and still make it home before *The Wire* begins (30 Trevanion Rd., Taneytown, Md.; 800-858-1844).



### 4. Athens, Ga.

Foundry Park Inn & Spa, just one hour south of Atlanta, has everything you need for your perfect getaway. What better way to start your day off than with fresh muffins and bagels at the Hoyt House and end it with entertaining live music at the property's onsite music venue, the Melting Point. Tucked away in a secluded area is the Foundry Spa, which has daily specials every day of the week. Check in (rates based on availability) for a Manicure Monday where you can receive two manicures for only \$40 or try Two for Tuesday where you get two half-hour massages for under \$60 (295 East Dougherty St., Athens, Ga.; 866-9Athens).



### 6. Austin, Texas

Whether you are looking for a world-class luxurious golf and spa vacation or a relaxing escape for the family, the Barton Creek Resort and Spa (rates depend on your choice of amenities) has just what you need. Located a few miles from downtown Austin and just an hour and a half from San Antonio, this Texan treat has something for everyone to enjoy. The rooms are spacious and elegantly decorated with richly textured furnishings and scenic views overlooking the Crenshaw Cliffside and Fazio Foothills golf course (8212 Barton Club Drive, Austin.

### 7. Mashantucket, Conn.

Tucked away in the sprawling woods of Connecticut is the imposing grandeur of the Foxwoods Resort and Casino (rates start around \$300 per night), where a single push of a button or throw of a dice could change your life forever. Fast track your get-rich-quick plan in the Grand Pequot, the Rainmaker, Stargazer or the Club Newport; check out the 3,400-seat bingo hall; catch a show in the 1400-seat theater or sample dishes at any of the 24 restaurants. Just remember—a lucky roll of the dice could help you pay for many more nights at the magnificent resort (Route 2, Mashantucket, Conn.; 800-Foxwoods).

