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1 Old Favorites

Sometimes glory fades. Sometimes it's reborn again and again. At Salishan, one of Oregon's first and most reliable resorts, that rebirth is taking place as we speak. It's hard work keeping a coastal resort looking good—the wind and the rain of the Oregon Coast can weather even the newest buildings. Salishan went into bankruptcy and receivership in 2015

QUICK HIT

Salishan
Glenden Beach
\$159+

Tu Tu' Tun
Gold Beach
\$165+

Black Butte Ranch
Sisters
\$350+ for condo

Chateau at the Oregon Caves
Cave Junction
Temporarily closed

and was bought by a group that has invested millions of dollars into a renovation and reimagination of the resort. It still has the tennis courts and the Peter Jacobson-designed golf course, but today Salishan is encouraging eco-tourism such as kayaking and stand-up paddleboarding. The resort is also focusing on wellness, with yoga and a full-service spa.

Tu Tu' Tun is one of those low-slung, glorious spots that doesn't interfere with the beauty of its site. The lodge on the Rogue River near Gold Beach opened in 1970, and it's been quietly delighting visitors ever since with its off-the-grid, get-back-to-nature vibe. There are spa services, of course, but there are also opportunities to ride jet boats, go fly fishing or rent sea kayaks. Better yet, the resort has a link on its website under activities that suggests you "do nothing," then provides a pile of photos of people sitting on the property sipping wine and looking at the views. Either way, this is the kind of place that will call you back, again and again.

I *n the beginning, there was Sunriver. And it was good. It was very good.*

Sunriver Resort, which was built as a World War II training post called Camp Abbot, became Oregon's first big resort back in the 1960s. It wasn't alone, though it was certainly the best known of the group. Early resorts in Oregon include Black Butte Ranch outside Sisters, Salishan Resort on the Oregon Coast, Tu Tu' Tun tucked away on the Rogue River in Southern Oregon, and Resort at the Mountain in Welches (now known as Mt. Hood Oregon Resort).

These resorts were so good and so successful, in fact, that they have paved the way over the years for dozens more destination resorts to crop up around the state.

They're everywhere—stretched along swathes of high desert, wedged in among sand dunes, surrounded by golf courses

and tucked against mountains. They offer all kinds of amenities, and they keep changing. It's hard to identify the best—that's like asking which of your children is your favorite. So we didn't try. Instead, we're sharing with you some old favorites, some newbies and some unexpected amenities you'll find around the state.

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Black Butte Ranch is a timeless location perfect at any time of year. If you need a winter pick-me-up, Black Butte will probably have snow. If you need some sunshine, it's likely to deliver year round. It's traditional—two golf courses, tons of lodging options, a spa and good dining—but there is always a place in our hearts for a resort where, in the span of several days, you can go skiing, ride bikes, ride horses, sit in a hot tub and go hiking.

Finally, a quick mention about The Chateau at the Oregon Caves—this longtime favorite closed in October 2018 for renovations and is scheduled to stay that way for up to two years. But when it reopens, you should put it on your list. The chateau was built in 1934 as the rustic hotel next to the Oregon Caves National Monument, and its lobby has a double fireplace and gigantic exposed wood beams. It's truly extraordinary, and even with a facelift there's no doubt it will continue to exude that Southern Oregon rustic charm.

TOP Salishan is undergoing a rebirth at the coast. BOTTOM, CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT Headlands Coastal Lodge & Spa's rooms all have ocean views. Meridian is Headlands' on-site restaurant. Black Butte has views for all seasons. At Silvies Valley Ranch, you can hire a goat caddie.



Silvies Valley Ranch





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The Newbies

Opened in mid-2018, Headlands Coastal Lodge & Spa in Pacific City is about as good as it gets. Every

QUICK HIT

Headlands Coastal Lodge & Spa
Pacific City
\$370+

Silvies Valley Ranch
Seneca
\$350

room has an ocean view, and that includes a view of Haystack Rock (not THAT one, guys—there are actually six Haystack Rocks in Oregon and three on the coast, and the one we’re talking about here is less famous for *The Goonies* and more famous for being impossible to see when there’s fog, which is often).

The lodge is steps from Pelican Brewing’s brewpub, but Headlands

has enough amenities that you may never even make it out the door. The spa offers all the usual treatments, and Meridian’s menu is filled with fine dining dishes and great wine and cocktails. Many of the rooms have deep, clawfoot bathtubs, and all have cozy Pendleton blankets and gas fireplaces. Swing by the honor-system pantry and pick up Oregon-made snacks, then curl up and watch the waves.

Silvies Valley Ranch has been operating as a cattle ranch (and a bunch of other weird schemes over the years) since the 1880s. But last year, the ranch added a thirty-four room eco-resort called The Retreat, Links & Spa at Silvies Valley Ranch. King beds, private log cabins, and a recently added full-service spa all combine to make this spot luxury with a Western twist. You can hit the golf course, go on an authentic cattle drive, try your hand at the shooting range, or get out and explore the thousands of acres around you. If you go golfing, please indulge in one of the resort’s goat caddies, which are exactly what they sound like.



The Allison Inn & Spa

The Allison Inn & Spa has on-site gardens.

I Do (Love This Venue)

Oregon’s resorts can be great for a getaway, and many are also perfect for your big event, weddings included. We came up with a list of resorts that will wow you with event options.

THE OREGON GARDEN RESORT | SILVERTON

There are 80 acres and twenty specialty gardens on this site, which means if you can dream it, the resort can likely achieve it. This spot also specializes in indoor winter weddings.

www.oregongardenresort.com

THE ALLISON INN & SPA | NEWBERG

You’ve got 35 acres of hillside smack dab in the middle of Oregon’s wine country to work with—and the resort also features on-site gardens, local wines and incredible food.

www.theallison.com

PRONGHORN RESORT | BEND

Out in the high desert, you can get married on an island that seats up to 300 guests. That’s just the start of the options for events at this full-service resort.

www.pronghornresort.com

BRASADA RANCH | BEND

This one nabs the “best wedding venue in Oregon” accolades all the time, and for good reason—there are five venues available for a big day. If you seek the perfect Instagram-worthy barn as a backdrop, you’re going to want to check out Brasada.

www.brasada.com