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# Green Travel

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## Positively Traveling

By Leslie Meenan

With a slew of corporations trying to be more eco friendly, it's getting easier to travel green these days. You don't have to go any further than the internet to find lists of green or eco-friendly hotels. My favorite eco-travel website is [www.itsagreengreenworld.com](http://www.itsagreengreenworld.com). But don't be fooled, some hotels say they are green but in reality, they're as green as my healthy big toe. All hotels on our Positively Green list are truly green and combine comfort with eco-friendliness. Do it the green way and still have that "Calgon take me away" hotel experience—free shampoo, nice mattress, sheets with a deliciously high thread count & escape.

This winter because of the price of oil and the desire to create as little pollution as possible when getting away, I chose to stay close to America, if not in America. Also, these spots are perfect for every type of traveler—families, couples or an adventure on your own.

Let's start with the warm destinations because baby, it's cold outside. A yummy beach, relaxing hammock, blue water; what more could you want?

Head for the snow...





## HOTEL TERRA

[www.hotelterrajacksonhole.com](http://www.hotelterrajacksonhole.com)

Jackson Hole, Wyoming

Nearest Airport: Jackson Hole Airport (22miles)

Rates: \$329-\$1300

This 72 room hotel has incredible selection from standard hotel rooms to three bedroom suites equipped with kitchens. This hotel has cornered the market on luxury. Everyone involved in the management came from 4 or 5 star establishments so they don't cut any corners in order to be green.

### Green Features:

As of the printing of this magazine, Hotel Terra was awaiting LEED certification.

Low VOC paints, sealants and carpets, radiant heating, water conservation systems, native landscaping, natural runoff mitigation, eco friendly cleaning products, wind power, access to efficient or alternate energy transportation for their guests, organic linens, and of course a recycling program.

### Highlights:

The best highlight for me is Mother NATURE. Wyoming is gorgeous. After a day of heli-skiing or dog sledding you can relax with an amazing massage and organic products at the spa. Other winter time fun—skiing/snowboarding, sleigh rides, snowmobiling, Nordic skiing, snow kite boarding and winter wildlife expeditions.

## THE SKY HOTEL

[www.theskyhotel.com](http://www.theskyhotel.com)

Aspen, Colorado

Nearest Airport: Aspen/Pitkin Country Airport (3 miles)

Rates: \$179-\$499

As one of the Kimpton hotels, The Sky Hotel is uber groovy with an eco friendly vibe. As a big corporation they take environmental responsibility very seriously.

### Green Features:

Low flow faucets, toilets & showers, recycling program, soy inks and recycled paper used throughout the hotel, towel/linen reuse program, environmental cleaning supplies, in room recycling bins, organic bedding and donation programs to local charities.

### Highlights:

Uhm...let me think - Skiing, snowboarding, cross-country skiing. Perhaps you'll spot a celebrity while having dinner. You can play a mean game of monopoly or another board game in the lobby, have a hosted wine hour, and it's pet friendly—in case you can't leave Spot home alone. The restaurants are amazing, and The Sky hotel is simply the place to be if you want to mix a great cocktail hour with your ski vacation.

## CASTILLO PLACE INN

[www.castilloplace.com](http://www.castilloplace.com)

Santa Fe, NM

Nearest Airport: Albuquerque Airport (68 miles)

Rates: \$149-\$249 includes breakfast

This 5 room /10 guest, 100 year old adobe house sits in the heart of downtown Santa Fe. The hotel's tranquil setting makes you feel like you're visiting your best friend's house.

### Green Features:

Composting, environmental cleaning products, alternative energy, grey water recycling, towel/linen reuse program, and water conservation.

### Highlights:

Being in the heart of downtown, you can walk to any of the award winning restaurants in the area. Skiing of course—it's a smaller mountain but just as much fun!! After a day of skiing you can stop by the award winning 10,000 Waves for a treatment or soak in a bath. Go for a winter hike on one of the near-by trails. This is a great place to hone your skiing skills or your dining skills.

## TREASURE MOUNTAIN INN

[www.treasuremountaininn.com](http://www.treasuremountaininn.com)

Park City, Utah

Nearest Airport: Salt Lake City (35 miles)

Rates: \$195-\$515

Whether you want to be in the center of the action or just chill out at The Morning Ray with your coffee, this is your spot. Located in the center of town, Park City's first condo hotel has it all.

### Green Features:

Recycling Program—bins in each room, biodegradable shampoos, lotions & soaps, reuse linen/towel program, they reused or preserved most of the original building materials during renovations, low-energy florescent light bulbs, low flow faucets, uses alternative energies—wind power, member of 1% for the Planet, water efficient front loading washing machines.

### Highlights:

Being in the center of town you don't need a car! If you're anything like me, their therapy pool is a must. Kitchens are in each room or there's Morning Ray for great coffee and organic breakfasts. Three great ski mountains—Park City, the Canyons & Deer Valley. Park City is the equivalent to the E ticket at Disney for all you snow lovers!!!

## Some helpful tips:

Most of these getaways have great public transportation or you can organize with the hotel to pick up and drop you off—and some hotels do prefer that you use the public transportation.

If you do chose to rent a car, most major rental agencies have a green collection. Upon picking up the car just double check it is the hybrid you requested, not just a car with good gas mileage.

Your carbon footprint: I find [www.carbonfootprint.com](http://www.carbonfootprint.com) and [www.nature.org](http://www.nature.org) helpful travel sites with loads of useful information. Some airlines and car rental companies have a teeny tiny window on their website to help offset your carbon foot print when purchasing.

Really my biggest tip is leave your cell phone and work at home and truly escape for a week or two.

PHOTOS (from left to right, top to bottom)

Left Page: Treasure Mountain Inn, Castillo Place Inn, The Sky Hotel, Hotel Terra, Hotel Terra, Castillo Place Inn, Treasure Mountain Inn

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