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keyboardist talks about life
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Up, Up, and Away

If you've already paddled, climbed, hiked, and biked and are yearning for new thrills, you may be glad to hear that some luxury hotels and resorts now provide helicopter experiences.



Helena Bay Lodge, New Zealand

CHRIS MCLENNAN

Guests at Hawaii's Four Seasons Resort Lanai can enjoy a full day's helicopter flight over the islands of Molokai, Kahoolawe, Lana'i, Hawaii (aka the Big Island), and Maui. You can soar over remote beaches, coffee estates, active volcanoes, and waterfalls, and include a stop or two for a gourmet picnic lunch, hiking tour, or visit to local attractions.

New Zealand's Helena Bay Lodge will transport you in its own Leonardo AW109S Grand to Great Barrier Island to fish for snapper, kahawai, and king-

fish. The lodge also offers several other helicopter jaunts, including one that makes stops at the caves at Waitomo, home to thousands of luminescent glow worms; Aranui Cave, to see stalactites and stalagmites;

Hobbiton, for lunch and a look at the movie sets of the Lord of the Rings trilogy and The Hobbit; and Waiheke Island, for a wine tasting and dinner.

Back in the States, at the Sagamore Pendry Baltimore, you can take a guided tour through the award-winning Sagamore Spirit Distillery followed by a helicopter ride over Sagamore Farm and spring house, birthplace of Sagamore whiskey.

Andronis Concept Wellness Resort, the biggest spa on the Greek island of Santorini, has its own helipad. You

can choose a breathtaking chopper trip across the Aegean to Athens or to such renowned islands as Mykonos, Crete, and Rhodes. A car and driver will meet the chopper and escort you on a bespoke tour.

The Boulders Resort and Spa in Scottsdale, Arizona has a helipad, too. You can board a chopper right on the property for an airborne tour of Sedona, one of America's most beautiful places, where you can land for lunch before returning to the resort.

—Margie Goldsmith

Giving Back

City of Hope

City of Hope is a 106-year-old research and treatment organization focused on cancer and other life-threatening diseases. It is on the cutting edge of stem-cell and immune-system research and gives precedence to efforts to combat lymphoma and other blood-forming cancers as well as Type I diabetes.

The organization—which is based northeast of Los Angeles and has locations across southern California—prioritizes patients' dignity and emotional

well-being. It provides access to support groups and other resources to help ease the anxiety and depression that often accompany a life-threatening or life-changing diagnosis. Engraved on a gate at its main hospital is a quote from Samuel Golter, a physician who largely shaped the institution: "There is no profit in curing the body if, in the process, we destroy the soul."

—Jennifer Leach English

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Places to Take Your Jet

OCTOBER 2-5

Lexus All Star Chef Classic, Los Angeles. Events, food, and wine tastings. Features seven chef-led dining experiences. Info: lexusallstarchefclassic.com

OCTOBER 3-5

Barrett-Jackson Car Auction, Las Vegas. Some of the world's rarest classic cars will go to the highest bidders. Info: barrett-jackson.com

OCTOBER 10-13



New York City Food & Wine Festival, New York. Start saving up calories now! Info: nycwff.org

OCTOBER 22-24

NBAA-BACE, Las Vegas. The National Business Aviation Association's annual convention is happening, and *Business Jet Traveler* will be there to cover the news alongside our sister publications *NBAA Convention News*, *Aviation International News*, and *AInAlerts*. Info: nbaa.org

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