

FOOD & WINE

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comfort in the kitchen

best winter recipes

from roast chicken
to chocolate cake

simple kitchen
upgrades that make
a big difference

*Creamy butternut
squash soup—delicious
with a crisp Riesling*
RECIPE P. 40

favorite sparkling-wine pairings



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GLASS ARTISTS
design lighting
FOR TACOMA'S
HOTEL
MURANO

easy escapes

Transporting new hotels a short drive from four busy cities.
by jen murphy

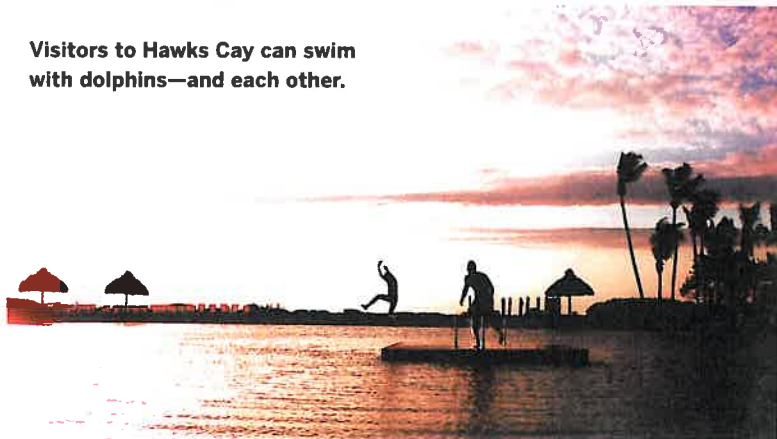
TACOMA, WASHINGTON
40 minutes from SEATTLE

HOTEL MURANO *There are four great reasons to head out to Tacoma: the Traver Gallery, the Tacoma Art Museum, the Museum of Glass and now, the Hotel Murano. Each floor displays works by a different glass artist, like Tacoma-born Dale Chihuly; hand-blown lamps illuminate guest rooms (doubles from \$149; hotelmuranotacoma.com).*

FLORIDA KEYS
Two hours from MIAMI

HAWKS CAY A private-island resort with a Latin-inspired restaurant; a great place to go after Miami's South Beach Wine & Food Festival, presented by F&W (February 19–22; sobefest.com). *Doubles from \$185; hawkscay.com.*

Visitors to Hawks Cay can swim with dolphins—and each other.



ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA
20 minutes from WASHINGTON

LORIEN HOTEL & SPA Kimpton's newest hotel opens this month in Old Town Alexandria. Vicente Wolf designed the rooms and spa; the restaurant is by top DC chef Robert Wiedmaier. *Doubles from \$330; lorienhotelandspa.com.*

WOODSTOCK, VERMONT
Two hours from BOSTON



WOODSTOCK INN & RESORT This historic inn recently got a makeover from design star Alexandra Champalimaud. The team behind NYC's cult Blue Ribbon restaurants consulted on the locally driven menu at its new dining spot, the Red Rooster. *Doubles from \$149; woodstockinn.com.*

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