24-Hours in Palm Springs: What to Do and Where to Stay

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Famous for great weather, incredible golf, vegas-stye casinos and top of the line resort pampering and amenities, Palm Springs is the place for high-style living and vacationing. If coastal California is your final destination, break up your trip and spend some time in this inland lap of luxury.



Best Palm Springs Hotel



All new to Palm Springs, the sexy and stunning **Hotel Zoso** is set with an adobe-style exterior and a pyramid-inspired dome on four acres of serene desert. Hotel Zoso is approximately one-quarter mile from the Palm Springs Fashion Plaza and Downtown Palm Springs. It also comes fully equipped with an excellent Asian/Californian-style restaurant, **eatZ**, along with a sparkling outdoor pool and bar. www.hotelzoso.com

Best Palm Springs Restaurant



Indulge in a delightful and unique blend of French Provencale cuisine at **Chez Phillippe** located on the beautiful Palm Canyon Drive. Not your average French fare, Chez Phillipe brings a Mediterranean influence with hot spices and seafoods. Take your experience to the deserts sunny outdoors because this spot has an amazing outdoor patio that extends beside the sidewalk of their prime location, just like Marseille la Canebiere. Bon appétit! www.chezphilippeps.com

Palm Springs' Gambling & Casinos



With over a half a dozen casinos for rolling the dice, we suggest placing your bets in the casino voted number one in the region seven years in a row -- Fantasy Springs Resort Casino. The ambiance is elegant yet exciting with 2,000 of the hottest slots and video poker, 40 table games, the action-packed casino-floor Springs bar, and the Fantasy Rewards Club – offering guests only the best perks and rewards of any desert casino. www.fantasyspringsresort.com

World Class Golfing in Palm Springs



The consistent blue skies and sunny days is the cause for world class golfing in Coachella Valley. Golfers come from around the country to play 18 holes at the esteemed Palm Spring courses. So it is very important that while you are visiting California's desert city, you play a round or take a lesson at any one of their monumental greens.

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For the crème de la crème of Palm Springs golfing check out Mountain Course at La Quinta Resort, The Golf Resort at Indian Wells, or the Desert Dunes Golf Club.

Palm Canyon Drive



Ladies, while your man hits the links head to Palm Springs Drive for all the best in shopping, dining, art and attractions. The promenade is conveniently surrounded by tall, light-covered palm trees that gently shade the street as you stroll beneath the majestic Mount San Jacinto. The boutiques are flooded with top of the line fashion lines, including Trina Turk! If you're in town on a Thursday night, enjoy "Villagefest," where over a hundred arts, crafts, and food vendors appear weekly. Music will also weave through the downtown corridor at this weekly event. www.palmcanyondrive.org