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# The Best Spa Resorts in the U.S. & Around the World: 2021 Readers' Choice Awards

*The places inspiring your return to travel.*

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For our 34th annual [Readers' Choice Awards](#) survey, registered voters weighed in on their favorite spa resorts around the globe. And as concepts of wellness and self-care continue to transform, we've noticed some exciting newcomers emerge alongside the established spa brands you've turned to over the decades. As the world has begun to reopen, the results reflect the kinds of properties you longed to visit when you couldn't travel and the ones you returned to first once you could. More than 800,000 of you filled out our survey, and while we're always curious about where you've been and where you're going, we're especially excited to learn about the truly memorable places that sparked your imagination and stayed with you when your next trip seemed out of reach. Here are the spa resorts you loved most this year.

*Find the full list of the top spa resorts in the U.S. [here](#), and the top spa resorts in the world [here](#).*

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## 15. Quinta da Comporta - Wellness Boutique Resort — Carvalhal, Portugal →

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The vision of Portuguese owner-architect Miguel Câncio Martins, Quinta da Comporta is very much in line with the low-key vibe of its eponymous village. There's no flashy entrance: check-in happens in a wood-and-thatch gatehouse reminiscent of a traditional fisherman's hut. Sandy pathways wind past the vegetable garden to a central terracotta courtyard dotted with sofas under shady pergolas. And two barn-like reclaimed-wood buildings stand on the site of old grain stores; one is home to the spa, the other an open-plan bar and restaurant (you'll be asking for the recipe for the seafood bisque). Rooms are refreshingly simple: white walls, sisal rugs on smooth concrete floors, wicker armchairs. Borrow the hotel's bicycles and pedal along to Carvalhal beach, a 15-minute ride away, or spend afternoons by the long, glass-sided pool.

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