

Hot Tickets: Sun and ski destinations

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Among the beauties of travel is the fact that any climate is just a flight away. January too cold? Think Caribbean, or even more southerly. Seeking snow? Head north. The following offer new incentives from opposing poles.

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Art collectors and hoteliers Alex and Carrie Vik have virtually put Jose Ignacio, Uruguay - the bohemian alternative to glitzy Punta del Este nearby - on the map with their collection of art-filled boutique hotels, including Playa Vik and Estancia Vik. Their newest, Bahia Vik, just opened with 37 rooms scattered among the beach dunes. The 10-acre spread features four granite pools. Contemporary art fills public and private spaces, including guestrooms splashed in custom murals. Guests can dine in or hit the boho-chic La Susana seafood grill next door, also owned by the tasteful Viks. Rooms from \$800; 011-598-94-60-5212, www.bahiavik.com.