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14 Hotels Favored by Queen Elizabeth II

England's longest-reigning monarch has done her fair share of traveling the world. Here's where she has stayed

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In her 63 years on the throne, Queen Elizabeth II has seen much of the world firsthand—116 countries on 265 overseas trips, to be exact. These myriad excursions make her a very likely candidate for the most traveled head of state in all of the world, in all of history. So when Her Majesty is struck by wanderlust, or called to an official state visit, where does she stay? Here, we take a look at 14 properties that have hosted the monarch (making them truly fit for a queen!), from lodges in New Zealand and Kenya to iconic properties in [New York](#) and Washington, D.C.



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Huka Lodge, Taupo, New Zealand

Originally built as a fishing lodge, [this hotel](#) has been transformed into the ultimate luxe retreat. When current owner Alex van Heeren bought the property, he tapped New Zealand designer Virginia Fisher to renovate the interiors. The result is an elegant yet comfortable aesthetic that pairs well with the stunning landscape surrounding the hotel. Fisher chose Suzanne Turley to design the grounds, which have been listed as a Garden of National Significance.

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