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Great Getaways: 17 Northwest Lodges

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From woodsy and rustic to utterly deluxe, the Pacific Northwest's historic lodges will transform your family vacation into an unforgettable adventure. These lodges and ranches make a perfect starting point to explore some of the region's most amazing landscapes, from hiking mountain trails to beach strolls. (Note: Lodging prices can vary week to week and by season; please check with the lodge for the latest price.)

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4. Alderbrook Resort and Spa

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Alderbrook Lodge photo by David Burn

Alderbrook Resort and Spa sits on the south shore of Hood Canal, a long, glacier-carved fjord that runs parallel to Puget Sound and is backdropped by dramatic Olympic peaks. For generations, families have come to these shores to shuck oysters, paddle the brackish water, roast marshmallows and relax away sunny summer days. That hasn't changed, but the once-weathered gray inn they stayed in has been completely transformed into a grand lodge with swanky amenities, such as an on-site spa and a high-end restaurant that specializes in seasonal Northwest cuisine. Kids will love fishing from the dock, cruising around in a kayak or pedal boat or just kicking a soccer ball on the expansive green lawn.