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Why You Should Go to Los Angeles This Summer

A bumper crop of hotel openings, the meticulous restoration of a glamorous Hollywood hot spot, and thrilling art installations are making Tinseltown sizzle this summer.

Los Angeles has a particular glow this summer, warmed with the eager anticipation of Quentin Tarantino's newest film, *Once Upon a Time in Hollywood*, and kept cool by some exciting hotel openings around town, as well as cultural offerings that invite you in. Now's the time: Go west, young hipster.



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Mild colors with killer views at the Santa Monica Proper Hotel

Unique Monthly Visitors: 1,120,000

Consider hotel-hopping

If your membership application to Soho Warehouse gets delayed, consider snagging a room at the **Santa Monica Proper Hotel**, which opened in June. Not only is the hotel flat-out gorgeous and a 10-minute walk to the beach, but August also brings the opening of its ground-floor restaurant, **Onda**, an exciting collaboration between two famed female chefs: Gabriela Cámara (chef at Mexico City favorite **Contramar** 🏠) and Jessica Koslow (chef of **Sqirl** 🏠, a restaurant-bakery with a cult-like following in L.A.'s Westlake neighborhood). *Santa Monica*; properhotel.com.