

STYLE

Trip Tease

SAN LUIS OBISPO

CALIFORNIA

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With staycations on the rise, who's planning to take a trip a little closer to home? San Luis Obispo or SLO, as the locals call it, is perfectly situated between San Francisco and Los Angeles on the Central Coast of California. It's the perfect weekend getaway with all of the 'treat yourself' perks of any regal destination and if you're in California, is filled with the warmth and convenience of venturing away and indulging in restorative plights like spa treatments and wine tasting without airports or packing a large suitcase.

WHAT YOU MIGHT NOT KNOW

SLO enjoys year-round sun, a warm Mediterranean marine climate, a world-class wine region and thousands of acres of protected open space to explore. Landing on the iconic 101 Highway, SLO offers an abundance of road trip opportunities along the 80-mile stretch of highway. In town, you have a top-rated farm to table restaurants, breweries, lovely walkable shopping and wonderful overnight stays at fabulous boutique hotels. As a small town, SLO supports the relaxing feel of down-home comfort while still offering all the amenities you need to spoil yourselves.

WHERE TO STAY

Hotel San Luis Obispo
HOTEL-SLO.COM



If you want a beautiful, comfortable and upscale stay which offers some nightlife mixed with a rock star ambience then Hotel Slo is the property for you. This urban modern resort embodies a welcoming easygoing vibe that resonates in its decor, atmosphere and accommodating staff. This hotel reminded me fondly of hotels I have frequented in New York with its open lobby bar and a fun hip style aesthetic.

AMENITIES

Hotel San Luis Obispo offers a haven to recharge. They have a state-of-the-art fitness studio, full-service spa, swimming pool and jacuzzi and bars including their rooftop terrace. They also provide bikes so that you can explore the town.

SLO SPA

Is a relaxing top-notch facility offering a tantamount list of services? Every treatment begins with a decompressing salt-infused foot soak before entering your therapy room. The atmosphere inspires pure bliss and promotes rejuvenation. We decided to go our separate ways on this treatment session. I chose the Slo Spa Signature Body Scrub which I have to say was not only invigorating but left my skin hydrated and baby

soft. My fiancé Chris opted for a Salt Stone treatment where warm stones of Himalayan salt give a soft soothing massage while balancing and detoxifying the body. Following the massage, you have the option of a soak, sauna, or a dip in the connected pool.

DINE-IN

For dining, the hotel offers two in-house restaurants and food served daily in both their bars. We chose Ox + Anchor for our dining experience and what an experience it was. Executive Chef Ryan Fancher puts a modern spin on the classic steakhouse drawing his inspiration from his surrounding environment of San Luis Obispo. In keeping with the attitude that seems prevalent in SLO, Fancher uses Central Coast ingredients and curates his wines to accompany. Our meal was nothing but spectacular. Rancher's reputation stands on it's own with culinary skills that stemmed from time spent at the famous Thomas Keller's The French Laundry and Richard Reddington's Auberge de Soleil. Rancher oversees Piadina as well on the Hotel SLO property offering you two very different dining experiences but both equally imaginative in the presentation and use of local ingredients.