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Find the home of your dreams at the end of a rainbow.

By Milla Sukonik

For those who want to immerse themselves in the culture and beauty of the Emerald Isle in exquisite stress-free comfort, turn to Elegant Ireland (*elegant.ie*). The travel specialist selects stunning, spacious period dwellings such as idyllic countryside manors, fairy tale Victorian castles, and city hideaways for you to choose from. One special family retreat is the spectacular lakefront manor, Galway Country House Moyculleen. Surrounded by fragrant gardens, this 16th-century beauty comes with a gracious staff, an indoor heated swimming pool, tennis court, and courtyard.



The Farm restaurant satisfies the eye and the palate.



second home sweet home

Discover home comforts and joy in Napa Valley.

IN ALL MY YEARS OF VISITING DESTINATION CLUBS, none have touched me as deeply as my stay at The Orchard at The Carneros Inn (*theorchardatcarneros.com*). The Orchard was built in Northern California's Napa Valley, where grapes have grown since the 1830s and where the climate is similar to that of the Italian Prosecco region. Owners who buy into The Orchard invest in an unhurried lifestyle with panoramic views of the Mayacamas mountains, the Napa River, and surrounding vineyards.

The cottages have an unassuming, sophisticated feel about them. Two master suites with adjoining baths and an outdoor

shower bookend a gourmet kitchen housing state of the art appliances and pretty dishes. For entertaining, the space opens up to a grand outdoor living area complete with fragrant gardens, grand fireplaces, comfortable furniture for lounging and playing board games, and a barbecue. Beautiful gardens burst with lavender and jasmine that permeate the air.

These homes offer a sanctuary for connecting and catching up with friends and loved ones, making it difficult to tear away, but the stellar fitness center and gourmet grocery store that stocks favorite staples are well-rewarded visits. At The Farm restaurant, chef Jeff Jakes masters the farm-to-table concept and draws serious palates from around the world. The spa offers my favorite Red Flower amenities and treatments. A sensual soak in the outdoor Huichika Creek bath with molded creek bedrocks on the bottom and sides rejuvenates the soul. In touch with owners' needs, The Orchard's services include storage, a dedicated concierge staff, housekeeping, pre-arrival grocery shopping, and room service. —MS