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20 Best Weekend Getaways from Seattle

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Get away for a weekend of clear country air, water views, whale watching and green spaces. Properties that made our list include scenic island hideaways, cozy lodges, treehouses and hotels with spas where you can get pampered surrounded by nature.

There are ideas for couples, families with kids and single travelers. Remember to book your room, activities and transportation early during the holiday weekends and look for specials during the low season. Approximate driving times from Seattle are included to help you plan your trip.

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Willows Lodge - 30 minutes

A 30-minute drive from the city, Willows
Lodge is located in Woodinville wine
country on 5 quiet acres. The lodge
serves excellent food coupled with
delicious wines. Reserve a table at the
award-winning Herbfarm Restaurant and
have a nine-course dinner to celebrate a
special occasion or make a romantic
wedding proposal. Guest rooms have
fireplaces which invite you to relax with a
book, followed by a bath in the soaking tub for two.



The Spa offers a varied menu of treatments, from Lomi Lomi massages, body wraps and exclusive Carita Facials. Once you are done with your massages, explore the surrounding area by bike, take a wine tasting tour and take a stroll through the hotel gardens. Northwest Coast Native American art is exhibited throughout the property, in the gardens and in public spaces. The Barking Frog restaurant serves delicious dishes with Pacific Northwest influences.

The restaurant has received Wine Spectator's Award of Excellence five years in a row. The property is a 25-minute drive from Seattle which makes it a quick getaway from the city. Western Washington's wine country offers many scenic spots, great restaurants and wine tours. Nightly room rates at the Willows Lodge start at \$199 per night (website).

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Salish Lodge and Spa - 35 minutes

Popular with couples and honeymooners, Salish Lodge and Spa overlooks the dramatic Snoqualmie Falls, 30 minutes from the city.

Originally built in 1916, the hotel has

been completely renovated and offers all of the modern amenities. One of the top weekend getaways in the Pacific Northwest, Salish Lodge has romantic rooms and a relaxing spa.



Guest rooms have whirlpool tubs and wood-burning fireplaces. Check into one of the top floor suites for the best views of the falls. Rates start at \$199 per night.

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Suncadia Resort - 1 hour 25 minutes

A year-round getaway with a golf course, spa, ice skating rink, a winery and several dining options, Suncadia Resort offers skiing in the winter and hiking in the summer. The resort is located on 6,400 acres, 80 miles east of Seattle, Washington. Guests can dine at two restaurants and two bars, swim in the pool and work out in the fitness center.

Glade Spring Spa features relaxing cedar saunas and outdoor saltwater pools. Get



in shape at the Swim & Fitness Center, an extensive facility featuring indoor/ outdoor pools, fitness machines and indoor water slides. The Cle Elum River corridor offers excellent cross-country skiing, snowshoeing and ice skating in the winter. Guests also have access to downhill skiing and snowboarding. Room rates at the Suncadia Resort start at \$129 per night (866-904-6300, website).

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The Wild Iris Inn - 1 hour 15 minutes

Located just an hour and a half north of the city, the Wild Iris Inn offers couples 18 romantic rooms and suites, many with in-room spa tubs for two and gas fireplaces. Visit downtown La Conner for shopping, restaurants, galleries and entertainment.



The Wild Iris Inn

The King Suites are the most spacious, with a private porch, perfect for enjoying fresh outdoor air. The inn welcomes its guests with Signature Wild Iris Cookies. Guestrooms at the Wild Iris start from \$119 per night, suites from \$149. (website)

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TreeHouse Point - 35 minutes

A perfect hideaway for couples who like nature, TreeHouse Point offers charming

treehouses individually decorated with handmade beds, original art and vintage furnishings. You will have plenty of privacy among the trees to re-connect, curl up with a book and take long naps. TreeHouse Point is about 25 miles from the city. (website)

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[TreeHouse Point]

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Alderbrook Resort and Spa

Overlooking the shores of the magnificent glacier-carved fjord of Hood Canal, Alderbrook Resort & Spa is luxurious spa retreat surrounded by the Olympic Mountains and just two hours' drive from Seattle. The resort offers comfortable accommodation in the form of cottages and guestrooms, each of which is beautifully appointed with breathtaking views over the lake and mountains and boasts chic décor and luxury amenities. Plush linens, down comforters and spa soaking tubs promise absolute relaxation, while flat screen televisions, high-speed wireless Internet and Keurig coffee makers ensure modern conveniences



[Alderbrook Resort and Spa]

Unwind in the serenity of the onsite spa with a signature massage and an array of pampering body treatments before dining in the renowned Alderbrook Restaurant, which serves an exotic fusion of local seafood from the Puget Sound with tastes and flavors of the Pacific Northwest. Sip sundowners at the bar before dinner and soak up the tranquil surroundings. The resort's location is ideal for outdoor enthusiasts and adventure lovers. The nearby Olympic National Park offers excellent hiking, while the surrounding state national parks have beautiful beaches to stroll, swim and fish. Play a game of golf at the Alderbrook Golf Club, which is located next to the resort. Rates start at \$159. (website)

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Free Spirit Spheres - 5 hours 35 minutes

Although this getaway is a longer drive than others included in our collection, if you are looking for a bit of inspiration out in nature, rent one of the Free Spirit Spheres in the rain forest of Vancouver Island, Canada. Measuring from 9 to 10.5 feet in diameter, the spheres create cozy rooms in the trees

Choose from three spheres: Eve is the smallest, Eryn is handcrafted from wood, and Melody is the newest sphere, made



[Free Spirit Spheres]

from fiberglass. Shared composting toilets are located at the base of the spheres. The property also offers 2 washrooms, 2 showers, a sauna and a covered deck with barbeque and picnicking resources. Nightly rates at Free Spirit Spheres start at \$145. The property does not accommodate children under 16. (website)

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Five Pine Lodge - 5 hours 30 minutes

A weekend hideaway in Sisters, Oregon, the Romance Cabin at the Five Pine Lodge was built especially for couples. The private cabin has a sunken bath tub next to a stone fireplace, perfect for a romantic getaway. You can unplug from the world and take long soothing baths while the room is warmed by the fireplace, or watch your favorite movie on the 42-inch plasma flat screen television right from the bath tub. There is a separate bathroom with a couples shower finished with Italian tiles.



[Five Pine Lodge]

During the warmer season, enjoy the private outdoor patio with Adirondack chairs. Rates start at \$180 in the winter and \$215 in the summer.

Located in Central Oregon, the property is a 25-minute drive from Bend and 45 minutes from Sunriver. Guests are accommodated have access to Shibui Spa which offers relaxing treatments. Outdoor enthusiasts can hike and mountain bike along the Peterson Ridge trail. The property offers packages throughout the year. Be sure to book your getaway early if you want to stay in the Romance Cabin because it's quite popular because it's so unique (website)

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Saratoga Inn on Whidbey Island

Saratoga Inn on Whidbey Island in the scenic Pacific Northwest offers ocean view accommodations, a charming living room with a fireplace, and an old-fashioned porch. Plan a romantic trip



[Saratoga Inn on Whidbey Island]

from Seattle and relax in style. The innkeepers serve a full breakfast each morning, afternoon wine, tea and hors

d'oeuvres. Evening turndown service features Le Belge dark chocolate. Enjoy scenic views of Cascade Mountains and the Saratoga Passage.

Romantic guest rooms have deep soaking bath tubs, fireplaces and cozy alcoves for reading and enjoying the view of the mountains and the water. Wireless internet access is available in the common area and most guest rooms. The island offers numerous events, especially on weekends, throughout the year. Choose from country fairs, art festivals, jazz concerts and other celebrations when planning your trip. Rates start at \$145 per night (website).

Friday Harbor House

Friday Harbor House is a romantic getaway located on San Juan Island in the Pacific Northwest. Experience small town hospitality at this 23-room romantic inn overlooking the scenic island marina. The property is located in a quaint town with shops, cafes, restaurants, museums and galleries. Guest rooms are contemporary in design, with floor-to-ceiling windows, jetted tubs, fireplaces and sitting areas.



[Friday Harbor House]

The area is known for its beautiful views and offers a number of activities, from scenic kayaking to golfing and whale watching. The restaurant serves foods prepares using fresh local products, seafood, and herbs from the garden. The dining room offers beautiful views of the harbor.

Room rates start at \$169 per night. VacationIdea.com Tip: There are several ways to reach the island. Sea plane is about \$100 one-way in high season, and around \$40 during the low season. Alternatively, you can take the Washington State Ferry from Anacortes to San Juan (360-378-8455, website).

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The Inn at Langley

The Inn at Langley is about one hour from the city and has rooms with 180-degree water views and cozy fireplaces. In the morning, wake up to the smell of homemade muffins, muesli and fresh fruit. There are 26 guest rooms with floor-to-ceiling windows overlooking Saratoga Passage and Cascade Mountains. The property is located in the heart of the village of Langley, near antique stores, art galleries and boutiques. The island offers a number of exciting things to do, including whale watching, sea kayaking, scuba diving, biking, golf and fishing. Enjoy a relaxing massage at the Essencia Spa.



[The Inn at Langley]

The Chef's Kitchen Restaurant serves delicious meals that incorporate fresh seasonal ingredients. The restaurant

features an open display kitchen, and overlooks a formal herb garden. Dinner is served on Fridays and Saturdays; Sunday suppers are served in-season. Room rates start at \$265 per night, including continental breakfast. During the off season, rooms can be found for \$195 per night (360-221-3033, website).