

PORTLAND, MAINE

Funky neighborhoods and a dynamic arts district add a contemporary twist to the town's old-salt feel.

Why Now: Nourished by traditions of hard work and community, craft brewers have helped put Portland in the sudsy spotlight. Meanwhile, its brigade of restaurants which lean heavily on local producers—rivals that of the country's culinary big guns.

Where to Go: The written word thrives at The Press Hotel. Housed in

the former headquarters of the Portland Press Herald, the kitschy, typographical décor vintage typewriters in the lobby encourage letter writing—and a bar called Inkwell give a nod to the property's backstory. Fuel a morning in the Arts District with a steaming latte at Coffee By Design before wandering among the

renowned collection at the Portland Museum of Art, where significant holdings include works by Andrew Wyeth and Winslow Homer. Afterward, browse through carefully curated treasures of a different sort at Portland Flea-for-All, a trove of vintage curios, clothing and furniture. Nearby, retro heaven awaits at

Haberdashery Resale Clothing Co., where consignment aficionados can paw through everything from gently loved Levis to vintage plaids. Across the street, duck into Lazzari, where chef Rich Maggi pulls gorgeous wood-fired pizzas from a gleaming copper oven. Or find true lobster roll bliss at Eventide Oyster Co.; chefs Mike Wiley and Andrew Taylor recently nabbed a James Beard award. Add on a flight of briny Pemaguid oysters and a pint of Epiphany IPA for the apex of Portland foodie perfection. - GINA DECAPRIO VERCESI

HIT THE TOWN

⊕ Industrial Way

Plan an afternoon beer hop along Portland's craft brew epicenter.

⊕ Rhum

craft cocktails at this subterranean enclave.

Dutch's

Cure whatever ails you with from-scratch biscuit breakfast sandwiches and



TRAVEL TECH

PICTURE KEEPER CONNECT

Nothing's worse than losing vacation photos to a tech malfunction. This pocket-sized storage unit backs up pics from your device even without Wi-Fi and instantly deletes multiples-including what's already in the cloud—to save space. \$120-180



MEEM CHARGER

Anvone can multitask with this dual-purpose cable. Plug it into your iPhone or Android device to revive the battery and it will automatically back up all vour important data at the same time. Available in 32 GB, 64 GB and 128 GB. \$60-120



DART

What good is a compact computer when the charger almost outweighs it? Enter Dart, the world's smallest universal laptop charger (compatible with all major PC laptop brands), which also can juice up a USB device at the same time. \$79.99





Now open: Tokyo's Yayoi Kusama Museum, a showcase for the work of the famed avant-garde artist • Eat well and for a good cause at San Diego's nueva taqueria Tacos Libertad, which donates all proceeds to a different local charity each month • Snow Bear Chalets—luxe ski-in/ski-out tree houses (think hot tubs, treetop decks and the option of a private chef)—are a fresh arrival to Montana's Whitefish Mountain Ski Resort • Build your own colorful empire at Lego House, a new hands-on exploratory from the beloved brand in Billund, Denmark • New York's Times Square welcomes the **NFL Experience**, where you can test your football skills, check out team memorabilia and possibly meet your favorite player.

