



# The New Innkeepers

THERE ARE PLENTY OF FRESH FACES ON THE MAINE HOSPITALITY SCENE THESE DAYS — AND THEY'RE RUNNING SOME OF OUR FAVORITE DESTINATION INNS, LODGES, BOUTIQUE HOTELS, AND MORE.

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“A GENERATION OF INNKEEPERS hits retirement age,” read a headline in one recent local news story, describing the wave of high turnover washing over Maine’s lodging circuit. Baby-boomer hoteliers — long the driving force behind the state’s inns, B&Bs, sporting camps, and other accommodations — are handing over the keys, and a new crop of hosts are bringing with them fresh aesthetics, new investment, and novel ideas about what it means to be a guest of the house.

From the southern beaches to the midcoast to the North Maine Woods, some of our favorite places to stay in Maine right now are new to the scene or in new hands. Check out (and check into) these 12 standouts. Luxe to rustic, stately to mod, they’re all perfectly welcoming — and all quintessentially Maine.