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The world's best home-fromhome hotels

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The Point, Adirondack Mountains, New York

Originally a sprawling lakeside camp for the Rockefellers, The Point has 11 bedrooms, each individually styled but all with king-sized beds. Most are in the private detached cottages that circle the main log-cabin building, which has a vast central lounge festooned with plaid upholstery and deer heads. There's a huge stone fireplace and guests dine *en famille*, with black tie requested twice a week. New York elites come for a slice of '30s fantasy in which cocktails are served on sunset cruises and bottles of champagne are hidden in fairytale chalets at the end of hikes. The staff treat you like family, and the all-inclusive nature manifests in what feels like a lavish meal every couple of hours. Swim in the lake in summer, snow-shoe over it in winter, put a tune on the jukebox or play pool in the pub. The whole thing is a Bruce Weber meets Ralph Lauren fantasia of luxury Americana. *From \$2,250, thepointresort.com* **MCO'F**

