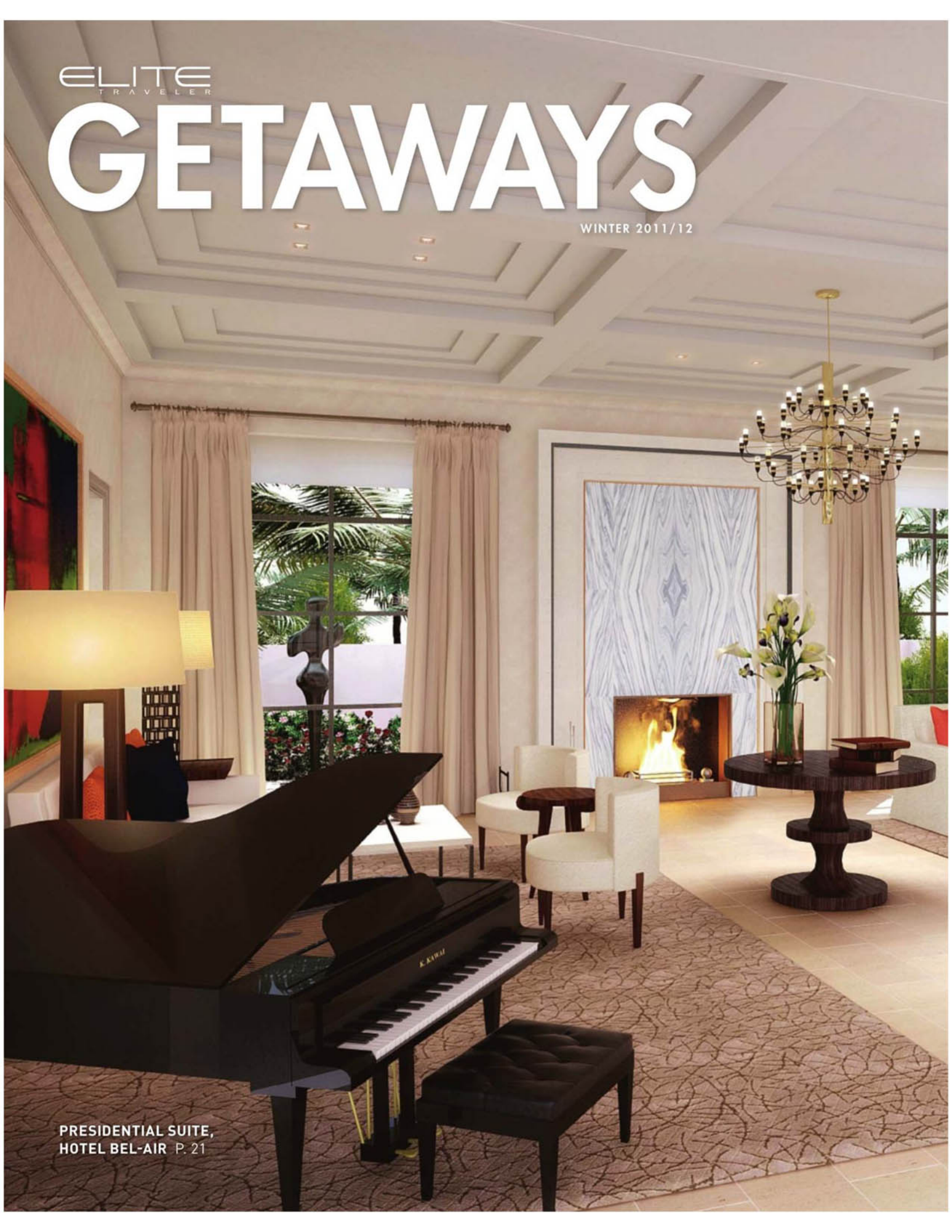


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AERIAL VIEW / RED MOUNTAIN RESORT



RELAXATION LOUNGE / SPA AT ESPERANZA



MAKAI COTTAGE / KUKUI'ULA

UTAH SPAHH!

Situated amid the red rock cliffs and canyons of southern Utah's striking desert landscape, **Red Mountain Resort** combines unadulterated nature with unparalleled luxury for a one-of-a-kind wellness retreat. With a focus on health and fitness, stress management and anti-aging therapies, the 106-key resort offers a host of restorative programs, from nutritional counseling to guided outdoor adventures and world-class fitness workshops. A healthy take on haute cuisine awaits in the casually elegant **Canyon Breeze** restaurant, and guests are encouraged to pair their personalized wellness program with a serious dose of pampering. This fall the property's acclaimed **Sagestone Spa & Salon** became the first Clarins-affiliated facility in the state, adopting an all-new treatment menu that features the French label's luxe products and its specialized "Clarins Touch" massage technique. Select the 1,700-square-foot, two-bedroom **Red Mountain Villa** for its two bedrooms, living and dining area with fireplace and fully equipped kitchenette—not to mention incredible views of the surrounding mountains (from \$380; includes three meals, daily fitness classes and more).

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BAJA REFRESH

This August, Cabo's celebrated **Esperanza, An Auberge Resort** expanded its spa menu to offer guests newly developed facials and an extremely special couple's massage experience. Designed in harmony with its coastal desert home, the spa employs regional ingredients—from tropical fruit to sea greens and desert minerals—for unique, hand-crafted treatments. Now, by blending these nutritive elements with skin care products by all-natural **Marie Veronique Organics** and **Epicuren Discovery** (renowned for their anti-aging enzyme), you'll be able to truly replenish your skin after a day (or week) in the sun. The 75-minute **Baja Lime Brightening Facial** evens skin tone and moisturizes with essential oils from blackberry and kiwi seeds (\$185), while the 90-minute **Radiant Renewal** leaves you glowing after a citrus microdermabrasion, a clay/crystal mask to detoxify and hydrate, a cooling cucumber aloe mask and a creamy coconut hibiscus emulsion (\$225). Couples, meanwhile, shouldn't pass up on a new massage synergy that incorporates Thai techniques and acupressure to open the heart center, enhance circulation and empower the sexual chi.

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HAWAII HOME

Kauai's first private residential community, the 1,010-acre **Kukui'ula**, celebrated its grand opening this June, offering luxury plantation-style homes and custom home sites on the verdant island's southern coast. Choose from three neighborhoods: The **Makai**, bordering lush golf course greens; the **Makua**, mountainside living amid landscaped gardens; and the **Club Cottages**, a cluster of 15 charming 2,200-square-foot abodes located adjacent to the private \$100 million **Plantation House**. Starting in December 2011, guest cottages will also be available. The central clubhouse features an inviting great room, tricked out games room, eateries focused on fresh seasonal cuisine and a multilevel outdoor pool/beach area. Golfers enjoy the club's private 18-hole course, designed by British Open winner Tom Weiskopf to take full advantage of stunning ocean views, while the on-site 20,000-square-foot **Spa at Kukui'ula** offers a haven for serenity seekers. Travel north to Kukui'ula's own farm, where you can picnic, hike, bike and pick fresh produce and flowers, or canoe and catch-and-release in the nearby 20-acre lake (home sites: from \$1 million; cottages: from \$2.2 million; nightly rate: \$1,250).

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