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## Enjoy a City Break with a Visit to These Top Properties

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With the international travel hopefully resuming soon, here are some easy and classic destinations, all driving distance from popular cities, for locals and travelers alike itching to get out of bustling cities for a quick road trip:

## ${\bf Lake\ Maggiore-Three\ Hours\ from\ Zurich\ and\ Milan}$

Located on the border of Italy and Switzerland, Lake Maggiore is an amazing under-the-radar gem for travelers interested in an Italian-inspired getaway. Just three hours from the bigger cities of Zurich and Milan, Lake Maggiore's shores are dotted with picturesque resorts, elegant villas and small towns with exquisite restaurants, traditional Italian grottos, and luxurious boutiques.

Hidden at the top of the lake, on the northern Swiss shores of Ascona, sits Hotel Eden Roc. The Mediterranean-inspired resort has a prime waterfront spot with a private yachting marina, and is walking distance from Ascona's main piazza. The property also features four exceptional restaurants, including Michelin-starred La Brezza, a 21,528 square-foot Spa and Wellness Center and a veritable Garden of Eden, making it a perfect destination for a quiet city break.

## Bath - Two Hours from London

A two hour drive or 90 minute train ride from London, The Georgian historic city of Bath is a UNESCO World Heritage site with museums, ancient sites and beautiful architecture for guests to explore. Travelers seeking an enriching experience can walk the streets of Bath and visit the city's treasured spots, such as the Ancient Roman Baths, the Royal Crescent, Bath Abbey and the Holburne Museum of Art. Bath provides the buzz of a modern city, but also the opportunity to go on the sixmile Bath Skyline circular walk, which takes travelers through forests and over rolling hills with spectacular views.

The only city in the UK that has natural thermal springs, Bath is home to The Gainsborough Bath Spa, a five-star luxury spa hotel located in the center of town. The Gainsborough is the only hotel that has tapped into the natural thermal waters of Bath, providing guests with incredible spa treatments and thermal pools to bathe in the healing waters.

## Saint-Tropez — Two Hours from Marseille

Since the 1960's Saint-Tropez has long been a getaway destination for French locals and international guests a like. Once a humble fishing village, Saint-Tropez is now widely known as one of the most high profile coastal retreats in the world. Just under a 2 hour drive form Mariselle, the legendary charm Saint-Tropez allures travelers with its glamorous playground of rolling countryside sandy beaches, gourmet food, pulsing nightlife, large yachts, open air markets, and upscale boutiques. For travelers interested in the region's culture, the village offers a number of colorful museums, historic churches, cobblestone medieval streets, and contemporary art galleries. Hôtel Lou Pinet is a luxury hideaway in the French Rivera's legendary town of Saint-Tropez. Embodying the bohemian charm of Saint-Tropez, it has been strategically located between Place des Lices and peninsula's most sought-after beaches – an exclusive address dating back to the 1960s before fever took hold of the little village. Far from the crowds, but still near everything, Hôtel Lou Pinet strikes a perfect balance for the ultimate Saint-Tropez vacation and was designed for those looking for an equilibrium between the thrill of partying and peaceful refuge. Especially created by French architect, interior decorator and designer Charles Zana, the space echoes the vintage Saint-Tropez spirit of the 60's and 70's. The hotel features 26 guestrooms and 8 suites - each bathed in natural light with private gardens, spa in partnership with Tata Harper, two bars, it's very own BeefBar restaurant butcher shop, and the largest pool in Saint-Tropez tucked away in a secret garden. Guests can enjoy the carefully curated lush and secret Mediterranean garden, which includes a lavender field and herb garden along with large outdoor art installations. The garden serves as a majestic backdrop to the hotel's grand emerald green swimming pool, spacious terrace and the hotel's three houses, a true hidden gem in Saint-Tropez.