

Take Your Dog on Vacation with a Road Trip to one of DogFriendly.com's Top 10 Dog-Friendly Resort Areas in the United States

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Pollock Pines, California – /Xpress Press/ – DogFriendly.com (<http://www.dogfriendly.com>) released its Top 10 dog-friendly resort regions in the United States for 2009. The rankings are determined by the DogFriendly.com staff and take into account the quality of dog-friendly accommodations, things to do with your dog, beaches, parks and dog-friendly patio dining.

1. Carmel / Monterey, CA – Many pet-friendly accommodations. Off-leash Carmel City Beach. Many walking and hiking options. Shop and dine in luxury.
2. Bar Harbor / Acadia, ME – Pet-friendly Acadia National Park. Shop in the historic downtown. Take a ferry or boat cruise.
3. Black Hills, SD – Lots of dog-friendly attractions and campgrounds. Mt Rushmore worth visiting with a dog. See Badlands National Park.
4. St Augustine, FL – See the historic downtown. Lots of dog-friendly shopping and dining. Take a harbor boat cruise and a ghost tour.
5. Cape Cod, MA – Visit Cape Cod National Seashore. Many cruises and ferries. Also take in Nantucket and Martha's Vineyard.
6. Key West, FL – Quaint B&B's and outdoor dining. Dog-friendly attractions, boating and stores. See the Southernmost Point Monument.
7. Charlottesville, VA – Visit estates of Thomas Jefferson and Patrick Henry. Shop at the downtown mall. Visit dog-friendly Shenandoah Park nearby.
8. Mendocino, CA – Stay in a pet-friendly B&B or resort. Walk the seaside town. Go to the beach and dine outdoors.
9. Asheville / Blue Ridge, NC – Tour the Blue Ridge Parkway. Visit the Biltmore Estate grounds and shop at Biltmore Village.
10. Amarillo, TX – Visit the famous Cadillac Ranch. Spend a day or camp at Palo Duro Canyon. Stay at the Big Texan Steak Ranch Motel.

Honorable Mentions – The following five places are also excellent vacation spots to visit with your dog:

- Corpus Christi, TX
- Grand Canyon, AZ
- Lake Tahoe, CA/NV
- Mackinac Island, MI
- San Luis Obispo, CA

For more details visit <http://www.dogfriendly.com/top10resorts>. DogFriendly.com, founded in 1998 to provide dog travel information, offers a free website and paperback books.

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