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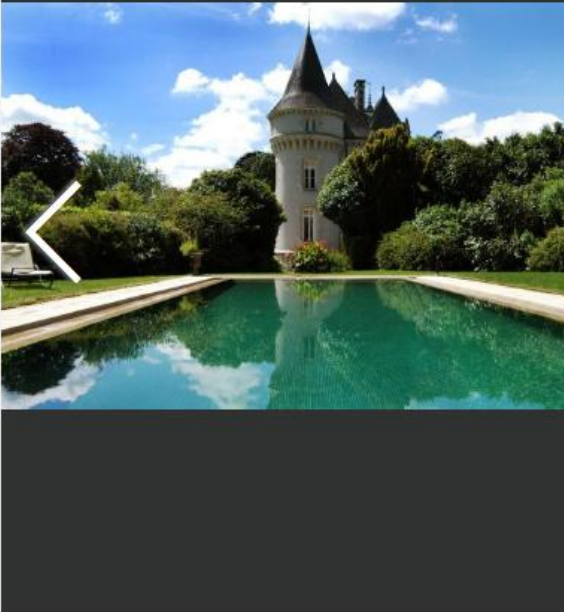
STAY IN THE HOME (EXCHANGE) OF YOUR DREAMS!

Swap your vacation home for one of these six stunners around the world

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As much as you may love your vacation home, you don't love the hassle of renting it out—the logistics, the risks, the unknown renters, etc. Now there's a great solution: A luxury home exchange that lets you swap your vacation property for others around the world, run by a private club called [3rd Home](#). You first need to apply for a membership (your second home must be worth a minimum of \$500,000). After you're approved, you pay a \$495 membership fee (good for two years). Then you list your property on the site and deposit a certain amount of weeks. Each time you opt to stay in someone else's home, you pay a \$495 fee to 3rd Home; besides travel and food, that's the only fee you pay.

The properties available range from a villa with a private beach in Koh Samui, Thailand to a 19th century chateau in Quimper, France. Click [here](#) to launch the gallery to check out six of our favorites.



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QUIMPER, FRANCE

Kisticnic, located in the beautiful medieval city of Quimper in Brittany France, is a 4-bedroom, 3-bathroom 19th century chateau that sits on 2.5 acres of private parkland.



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JACO, COSTA RICA

At the 6-bedroom, 7-bathroom Ocean House in Jaco, Costa Rica (on the country's pacific coast), guests enjoy floor-to-ceiling windows that overlook the beach, a solarium, and a spacious two-bedroom guest house.



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CABO SAN LUCAS, MEXICO

The 7-bedroom, 10-bathroom villa has more than just an infinity pool with a swim-up bar -- it's also equipped with a movie room, gym and game room with a billiards table.



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SALTO, ARGENTINA

La Fortuna 7-bedroom, 7-bathroom estate in Argentina's rural countryside comes with a team of 8 staff members including a concierge, chef, laundress, housekeepers and even a Gaucho.



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WHISTLER, CANADA

This ski-in ski-out, 5-bedroom, 4-bathroom chalet in Whistler has a natural rock hot tub, a waterfall and its own private guest suite.



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KOH SAMUI, THAILAND

The sprawling Baan Tao Talay villa, designed in classic Thai style, has 5 bedrooms, 7 bathrooms and a private beach.



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