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13 Great Last-Minute Mountain Escapes

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Head outdoors and enjoy the last of your last summer vacation at one of these exciting mountain getaways.



COURTESY SHORE LODGE

McCall, Idaho

This lively resort town sits approximately 100 miles north of Boise in Western Idaho at 5,000 feet elevation. Reserve accommodations at McCall's Shore Lodge, situated on the pristine glacial waters of Payette Lake and surrounded by the Salmon River Mountains. The historic property has been welcoming guests since 1948. Spend active days outdoors rafting the rapids or head off-road with an ATV. You can also go climbing, hiking, biking, paddle-boarding, play 18 holes of golf, or fish in some of the best waters in Idaho for Chinook salmon, rainbow trout, and smallmouth bass. If you prefer time to unwind, book a signature spa treatment at The Cove, and relax in their private hot springs or two heated saltwater pools. Dining venues include dinner with a view at The Narrows Steakhouse or The Cutwater on Payette Lake. For a casual night out, head into town for pub fare and handcrafted ales at McCall Brewing Company. Discover more of the most charming mountain towns in the country.