

STAYS UNDER \$150

## Querétaro, Mexico, & Camden, Maine

**1 La Casa del Atrio, Querétaro, Mexico** Located just across the street from the Museum of Art behind a pair of massive wooden doors is one of the most tranquil places to stay in Querétaro, a colonial city and World Heritage site in the heart of Mexico. La Casa del Atrio, opened last July by an art broker and a production designer, occupies a 19th-century mansion and offers three guest rooms outfitted with handcrafted rugs and murals painted by Oaxacan artist Claudia Ramos. Part art gallery and part B&B, the inn also hosts workshops with resident artists from around Mexico. Schedule a massage on-site under the stone arch remnants of the city's aqueduct system or venture out into the city's cobblestone streets filled with cafés and



Comfort at La Casa.

galleries. From \$110, including breakfast; [www.lacasadelatrio.com](http://www.lacasadelatrio.com).—KAREN CATCHPOLE

**2 Hawthorn Inn, Camden, Maine** In this luminous midcoast town sandwiched between mountains and sea, the Hawthorn proffers views of both—Mount Battie rising to its west, and schooner-filled Camden Harbor skirting

the inn's back lawn. Sailing on Penobscot Bay and hiking are ever a draw, as is trolling the shops and pubs of the winsome village. The 1894 Victorian Hawthorn sits among maple trees and terraced gardens. Its ten spacious guest rooms, located in both the Main House and Carriage House, are individually decorated with elegant antiques, four-poster beds, claw-foot soaking tubs, and gas-log fireplaces. Ask about Camden's annual Maine Literary Festival, orchestrated by innkeeper Maryanne Shanahan and attended by the likes of Richard Russo and Ruth Reichl. Extend your visit to nearby Rockland to view Wyeth paintings at the Farnsworth Museum. From \$115, including gourmet breakfast; [www.camdenhawthorn.com](http://www.camdenhawthorn.com).

—ELISE FORD