



## A look back at an exciting year of adventures here at Fodor's Travel.

As another year draws to a close, our team is looking back on 12 months of adventure, tasty meals, and inspiring trips, the memories of which we will be carrying forth into the New Year.

For some of our editors, travel this year was a conduit to healing, offering the calm and rejuvenation found in Canada's wild nature. For others, 2025 was a year of new challenges—like hiking 80 miles across Spain on the Camino de Santiago or finding oneself on hand and knees, sifting through the dirt for truffles in Oregon's wine country. For many of Fodor's editors, 2025 was a year of crossing off bucket-list items, like finally experiencing Iceland firsthand or visiting Yellowstone National Park.

From discovering new favorites in beloved destinations like Charleston to enjoying a visit to Germany's wine and spa town, Traben-Trarbach, here are some of our editors' favorite travel experiences of 2025.



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## A Post-Op Recovery in New Brunswick, Canada

My 2025 travels came to a grinding halt after a ski accident in Japan led to an ACL surgery, so by the time I was ready to hit the ground running (er, walking), I weighed my options carefully, ultimately deciding on a place I knew nearly nothing about: New Brunswick, Canada.

Having enjoyed a glorious few days at [Montage Healdsburg](#) with my husband as my first post-op trip, I was excited to embark on a solo journey to Saint Andrews and Fredericton, two stops in the oft-overlooked Atlantic Canada province that promised tons of fresh seafood, incredible [whale watching](#), a genuine [beer trail](#), and a lively night market with every kind of cuisine imaginable.

In Saint Andrews, I discovered myriad charms and the friendliest people around. I ate oysters at every meal, but my favorite dine-at-the-bar experience was at [William & Water](#), where I got tips from locals on where to get the best ice cream ([McGuire Chocolate Company](#)) and where to go for live music ([Saint Andrews Brewing Company](#)). In Fredericton, I kayaked on the Wolastoq River, got back on a bike, and napped in a sleigh bed at Quartermain House, a family-run bed and breakfast. On my last day in town, I met up with local food obsessive [@freddy.foodie](#) and proceeded to do a bakery tour, finishing at [Seoul Boulangerie](#), which may just be the best patisserie in all of New Brunswick.

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