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Don't know how to raft, windsurf, paddleboard or fly-fish? These five towns are the perfect places to get your feet wet. Start by booking a room—we scored you a deal! by david lahuta

Diving in Key Largo, Florida

1 *Get Wet* Who knew? The Florida Keys are home to the only living coral reef in the continental U.S. If you're not a certified diver, you can still snorkel through reefs full of tropical fish in John Pennekamp Coral Reef State Park (pennekamppark.com; snorkel tours \$30 for adults). Divers can explore the rock canyons and sunken shipwrecks of the stunning Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary (oceandivers.com; two-tank dive \$85).

Après-Dive Sample iconic dishes (conch chowder and key lime pie) at diner Key Largo Conch House (100211 Overseas Hwy.;

chowder \$7.50). If you're feeling fancier, load up on stone crab at The Fish House (102401 Overseas Hwy.; entrées from \$19). Don't leave the Keys without stopping at Blue (Mile Marker 82.2; blueislandstore.com) for vintage tees from bygone but beloved bars.

Reader Deal Most rooms at the Coral Reef State Park-adjacent Dove Creek Lodge have water views, plus there's an oceanfront pool and free breakfast. You get a two-night stay, plus a full-day boat rental and two boxed lunches for \$380-a savings of \$230. (147 Seaside Ave., dovecreeklodge.com; doubles from \$109 before discount, mention Every Day with Rachael Ray when booking)

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Get Wet Time to re-create your A River Runs Through It fantasies: Located at the intersection of four iconic rivers—including the Gallatin, where parts of that '90s film were shot—Bozeman is a fly-fisher's paradise. Learn how to set a hook and cast your rod during a one-day class. More experienced anglers can hire a guide to help spot wild rainbow and brown trout on a half-day walk, wade or float trip. (bozemanangler.com; one-day lesson \$125, half-day trip \$395 for two anglers)



Aprils - Fish You've seen enough fish for one day: Sample the region's grass-fed beef in tapas form (empanadas, sliders) at Over the Tapas (19 S. Willson Ave.; plates from \$4).

Reader Deal Live like a local by renting a lodge through Mountain Home. Stay three nights and get the fourth half off, or stay six nights and get the seventh free. (mountain-home.com, mention Every Day with Rachael Ray when booking)

Rafting in Richmond, Virginia

Out Wet Richmond is the only place in the country where consistent Class III (read: serious) rapids are within sight of skyscrapers. Beginners can paddle through calm upper-river rapids (on a supervised trip, of course) while experts tackle the whitewater-filled lower river, where swells commonly reach Jacuzzi-like Class V levels. (riversideoutfitters.net; two- to three-hour trip \$54)

Après-*Raft* After being tossed around town, your body deserves a treat. Try fried catfish with corn pudding and lobster sauce from local favorite LuLu's (21 N. 17th St.; entrées from \$17).

Reader Deal Opened in 1895, the Jefferson Hotel is still grand. Your deluxe room is \$185 per night, plus get 10 percent off food at the hotel's Lemaire restaurant. (101 W. Franklin St., jeffersonhotel.com/ rachaelray; doubles from \$250 before discount)



| Wakeboarding in Fort Worth, Texas

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Get Wet Wakeboarding is all the rage in Fort Worth, where there are more than 20 lakes within an hour's drive of the airport. Take a lesson where the pros compete, on Lake Moser: Choose to be towed by a souped-up MasterCraft speedboat or by a pulley system affixed to a crane hovering over the water. Either way, you're in for a seriously heart-racing good time. (wakeboardinglessons.com; 90-minute lesson \$175)

Mprice-Board. In Texas, it's go big or go home, and nowhere more so than at Railhead Smokehouse BBQ (2900 Montgomery St.; dinner plates from \$7.50), where beer is served in goblets and platters overflow with beef brisket, pork ribs and smoked sausage.



Reader Deal With 52 Western-inspired rooms (think cowhide headboards), the

Stockyards Hotel is pure Texas. Stay two nights and get the third free, through December. (109 E. Exchange Ave., stockyardshotel .com; doubles from \$129 before discount, mention Every Day with Rachael Ray when booking)

5 Windsurfing in Hood River, Oregon

Get Wet Join thousands of surfers as they stand up in Hood River's Columbia River Gorge. You'll be catching the breeze 10 minutes into your lesson. (*bigwinds.com*; *two-hour lesson* \$65) **Writes** - Swrff Take a drive along the 35-mile Hood River Fruit Loop (*hoodriverfruitloop.com*) through the valley's wineries and



orchards, dotted with stands selling sour cherry pies. Indulge-you earned it!

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Reader Deal The Columbia Gorge Hotel has a 208-foot waterfall in its backyard! Stay two nights and get your third night free, or a bottle of local wine and two glasses, plus passes for wine tastings. (4000 Westcliff Drive, columbiagorgehotel.com; doubles from \$129, mention Every Day with Rachael Ray when booking)



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For penny punchers: The single-use FujiFilm QuickSnap Waterproof may not be fancy, but try finding a cheaper camera that's waterproof up to 35 feet. (S9, amazon.com)

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