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The Sugar Hill Inn

A sweet winter escape in New Hampshire's White Mountains.

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INNKEEPER STEVE ALLEN'S CHECKLIST FOR the perfect inn was that it be a historic building in a beautiful location with lots of land. After a long search, he found the Sugar Hill Inn offered just that. Though the inn's plumbing was old and its paint was peeling, Allen loved that it had the potential to be great.

Now the Sugar Hill Inn is one of the most highly regarded inns in the White Mountains of New Hampshire. When Allen set out to create the tone of the décor, his goal was for the inn to stay true to its sturdy farmhouse roots, blending with the woodsy New Hampshire scenery. Each room is decorated with solid colors and antique patterns in addition to natural wood and stone, lending to its authentic feel. One of best examples of the inn's blend of contemporary and traditional is the Dream Cottage.

The most popular unit on the property, the Dream Cottage, is Allen's fantasy vacation come to life. A classic stone fireplace houses a crackling fire for cold winter nights. The wood beams in the cathedral ceiling combined with the room's earth tones give the Dream Cottage a rustic feel, while the sleek lines of the furniture add a luxe touch. Using natural materials rather than hard vinyl and plastics make the cottage timeless and a perfect fit in the mountainous landscape.

The Dream Cottage also offers an unmatched view of Sugar Hill's 15 acres of land through its wide French doors. A charming wooden bench

Left: Set on 15 acres of land, the inn is a landmark of New Hampshire's White Mountains.

Right: Warm earth tones and regional motifs of forestry and wildlife create a cozy atmosphere.



EXTRA!



Above: A Sanijet tub is the perfect antidote to a day spent outdoors.

Right: A private in-room sauna is a decadent amenity.

Bottom right: The lush valley's sweeping view is second to none.

swing hangs from the covered porch, where guests can enjoy a steaming mug of tea while reading a book from the cottage's 19th-century book collection or admiring the seemingly-endless fields.

And after a delicious meal at the inn's award-winning restaurant, guests can relax in the Dream Cottage's spa-like bathroom. A getaway in itself, the bathroom features a private sauna, large shower with multiple showerheads and a 78-inch Sanijet tub. The bathroom is like a mineral oasis, with the natural stone of the shower and tub complementing the smooth marble of the double vanity. It's the perfect finish to a day of relaxation.



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