

HIGH STYLE

Beat the heat with a stylish weekend getaway to *Alta* at the top of Little Cottonwood Canyon



DEAL ALERT!

This summer, stay at the Alta Lodge on Saturday or Sunday night and enjoy Sunday brunch for two for just \$94.

If you're a skier in Utah, no doubt you've hit Alta's slopes or at least heard of its legendary sugar-like powder. But Alta has much to offer beyond the winter months. Thanks to **Alta Lodge's** recent high-style remodel, a hearty Sunday brunch with unbeatable views and a basin brimming with some of the canyon's best hikes, Alta beckons visitors all summer, too.



» **When to Go**

The Alta Lodge is open from May-October for special events, from weddings to company retreats, and day-to-day lodging is available from June to mid-October.

» **Where to Stay**

The cozy Alta Lodge underwent a slight remodel in 2007 but kept its historical roots intact. Carrie Snyder, of Avatar Design Group, set out to make the lodge warm and comfortable. "We embraced a soft, modern feel, referencing the materials that have been present in the lodge for years: mahogany, glass and metal," she says. **Alta Lodge, Alta, 800-707-2582, altalodge.com**

» **What to Do**

Hiking and mountain biking draw outdoor enthusiasts all summer long. A variety of trails are accessible from Albion Basin, including the popular Cecret Lake hike. Mid-July welcomes the annual Wasatch Wildflower Festival in the Cottonwood Canyons, with guided walks through the basin.

» **Where to Eat**

Before you hit the trail, fuel up at Alta Lodge's popular Sunday brunch (served from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.), featuring 40 buffet selections and live acoustic jazz. Or for après-hike, recharge with lunch on the lodge's view-laden outdoor deck (served Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.).

Architectural paneling enriches the lodge's lobby.



Shane Tafoya

GOOD WOOD

Forget the tacky planked paneling of the '70s. The grid look is all the rage today, and no one does it better than Shane Tafoya at **Mountain Tech Design**. He transforms walls with a variety of wood patterns and exotic veneers, like the natural-looking mahogany and rich espresso-colored oak he used to refresh the walls at Alta Lodge. "I have done a lot of this same style of architectural paneling in homes," he says. "It becomes a work of art."

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