

Bellevue-Area Hotel Highlights: Your Best Lodging Bets on Seattle's Eastside



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There are plenty of reasons visitors may travel over to [Seattle's](#) Eastside—be it for work or pleasure or a combination of the two. Situated about 20 minutes to the east of Seattle across the Interstate 90 floating bridge, on the far side of Lake Washington, Bellevue began as a tony enclave to the Emerald City. Neighborhoods of waterfront view homes were quickly joined by suburban expansion to the east, away from the water, and continued development has turned the once-sleepy suburb into a thriving urban scene with world-class shopping, dining, recreation and cultural attractions. Today the rapidly expanding zone has grown into the high-tech and retail hub of the Eastside.

We've come up with 10 ideas on where to stay in bustling Bellevue—as well as in surrounding towns also on the east side of Lake Washington and near Sea-Tac Airport. Whether you stay deep in Washington wine country (in Woodinville) or down on Kirkland's waterfront, you'll discover the difference of staying at venues where even the tiniest details are taken care of, leaving guests feeling welcomed and pampered.

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CEDARBROOK HOTEL SEATAC

SEA-TAC AIRPORT



Photo courtesy of Cedarbrook Lodge

This option, though not in Bellevue, might interest those with early-morning or late-night flights. Located just a few minutes from Sea-Tac International Airport, Cedarbrook Lodge is a highly-rated hotel in the Seattle area. Nestled on eighteen lush acres, its spacious and clean rooms draw rave reviews from guests, who compliment the modern amenities and free snacks offered by the hotel in common areas. (A continental breakfast is also offered free of charge.) Located inside the hotel, Copperleaf Restaurant draws nearly universal praise for its farm-to-table dining philosophy. Some of the produce and herbs used by the culinary team have been grown on-site. The Copperleaf Bar and nearby billiards table also seem to be guest favorites.