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Whether it's your sister, your best friend, or your college roommates on a nostalgia trip, nothing can beat the company of girlfriends. But, if life has gotten in the way and you can't recall the last time you hung out sans men, do yourself a favour and book a getaway for some much needed time with your girls.

Here's a look at our **Top 5** reasons to pack your cutest PJ's, give your hubby-to-be the ok to have the boys over for poker night, and load the girls into the car for a getaway you'll be talking about for years to come. And here's a bonus—if you get lost on your way, no one will give you a hard time about asking for directions.

TWO IN A TREE

1 Love the fresh air and quiet of camping, but can do without smelling like bug spray and campfire? Spoil your sister or your best friend with a stay at **ROCKWATER SECRET COVE's** ultra-luxurious Tenthouse Suites. These unique tents are raised high in the arbutus trees, and offer that peaceful camping experience without any aspect of roughing it. With private ocean views, king-size beds, fireplaces, heated slate floors and hydrotherapy bathtubs, this is the perfect place to just relax and catch up on girly chit-chat. After your massage in the spa and breakfast in bed, you'll need that late checkout! The Girls Getaway Package includes a night in a Tenthouse Suite, deluxe continental breakfast basket

in bed, two hour long massages in the spa, and a late checkout. If you feel the need to experience the beautiful surroundings first hand, head down to the beach and rent a kayak to explore the local coves at your own pace. To make your kayaking day even more spectacular, pick up one of Rockwater's gourmet picnic lunches and paddle across the strait to Thormanby Island, where the white sand beaches may make you believe you're on the shores of Hawaii. Rates for the Girlfriends Package start at \$210.00CDN per person, based on double occupancy in a Tenthouse Suite. (The package is also available in Oceanside cabins, and in lodge rooms, with rates starting at \$135.00CDN per person.)

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PRACTICALLY PERFECT

2 If tea and crumpets and shopping galore sounds like an ideal girly getaway, don't think you need to pop across the pond to get your fill of English goodies. **ABIGAIL'S HOTEL** in Victoria is offering a Practically Perfect Package to girls of all ages, including everything needed to spoil yourself silly. Catch up on gossip while enjoying a glass of wine and appetizers in the romantic Tudor-style hotel library, and then head to the Pearl Spa for an Ionic Detoxification treatment along with an Express

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