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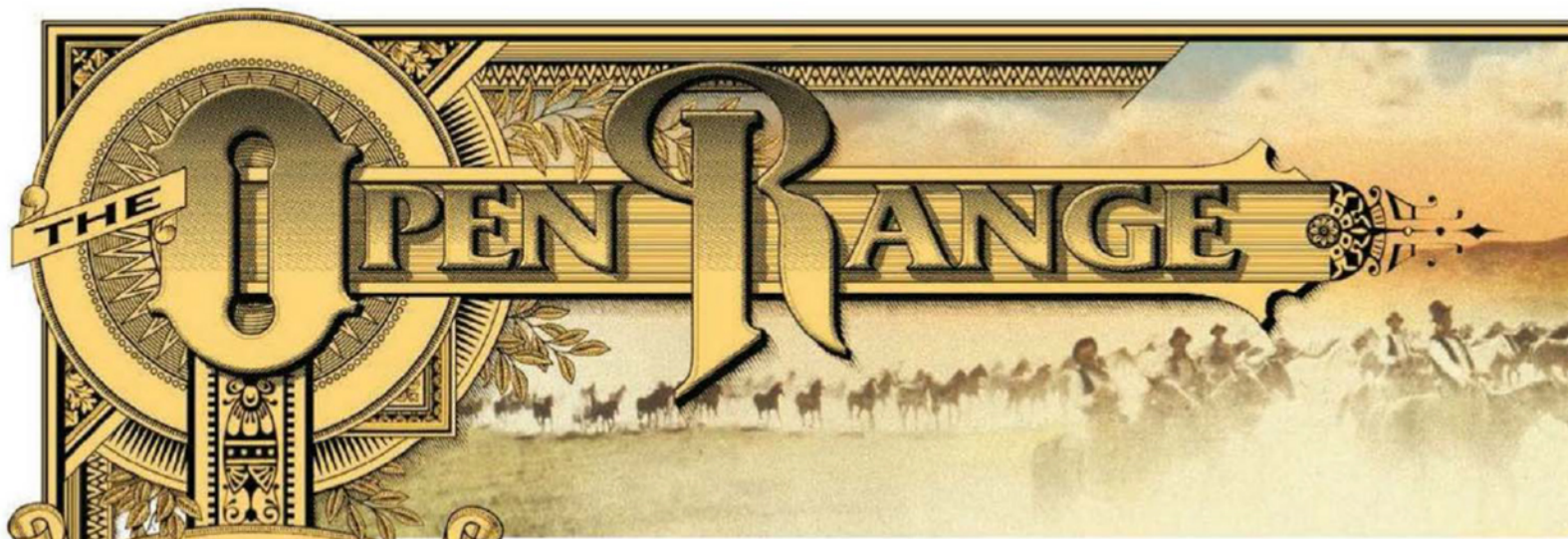
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SCENT OF CHEYENNE

Not too floral but still elegant and feminine, Cheyenne from Tru Western bursts with citrus notes of lemon and bergamot. Soft hints of jasmine, violet, and orange flower add sophistication, while dashes of sweet vanilla and patchouli round out the fragrance. It's a balanced and fresh perfume that will give cowgirls confidence and make cowboys come running (\$22 for 1.7-ounce bottle). www.trufragrance.com



EYE OF THE OLD WEST

"[We were] tired of seeing people wearing modern, generic eyeglasses that don't complement their Western lifestyle, and seeing period-incorrect eyeglasses worn in movies and at historical reenactments," says Doreen Valenzo, who with her husband, Thomas, founded the Historic EyeWear Company to reproduce period-correct, ophthalmic-quality eyewear popular in the 1800s. The designs are all historically accurate, but the frames are crafted from a modern metal alloy for durability. To achieve the right antique patina, be it tarnished brass or blued steel, they're then put through an electroplating process. Finally, they're fitted with your choice of lenses, which come prescription ready for those who need help shooting straight. www.historiceyewear.com

J&M GENUINE

Bootmaker Marcos Cruz could not have asked for a better teacher. His father, Juan Cruz, was the best of the best, working alongside big names such as Tony Lama, Benny Gray, and T.O. Stanley. After contributing to their success, he finally put his own footprint on the industry, partnering with his son in 1994 to found J&M Custom Boots. Each of the duo's custom designs is handcrafted from the finest leathers and exotic skins, and no boot leaves the workshop without J.C.'s stamp of approval. "Quality is a priority, and it will always be," Marcos says. "You can't have genuine boots if you don't have genuine craftsmanship." www.jandmcustomboots.com





CARMEL VALLEY RANCH

One Old Ranch Road, Carmel, California. You could hardly ask for a more romantic address—or a more beautiful location for a getaway than Carmel Valley Ranch. A scenic 10-minute drive from the galleries and beaches of Carmel-by-the-Sea, the property spans 500 acres in the foothills of the Santa Lucia Mountains on the sunny side of the Monterey Peninsula.

Be forewarned: While there are plenty of nearby attractions—Monterey Bay Aquarium, wine tasting, art galleries, 17 Mile Drive, boutique shopping—once you arrive at this luxurious playground, you might never get to them.

This is quintessential California: rolling vineyards, fragrant fields of lavender, ancient oaks with wooden swings, wild turkey and deer, and an organic garden (enjoy the pickings, prepared in the culinary creations of chef Tim Wood, on a treetop dining terrace). And like a fine wine, the ranch just keeps getting better with age: A property enhancement rolls out this summer to introduce 30 new “Treehouse” suites, each including an outdoor living area with daybeds and soaking tubs, as well as a host of new activities, such as bird-watching excursions and The Art of Being with Horses equestrian program.

The invitation here is “of-the-land adventures” that connect guests to each other and to nature: horseback riding and hiking, mountain biking through the adjacent 4,400-acre Garland Ranch Regional Park, yoga on a hilltop platform, meditative walks, spa treatments in a cabana on the hillside of the resort’s pinot noir vineyard. Also on the fun shortlist: a new adults-only pool with an outdoor bar, a hot tub, and s’more-ready fire pits. And let’s not forget the apiary with more than 60,000 Italian honeybees.

Do it all, from chicken chats at the Hen House and garden tours with farmer Mark Marino to archery, tennis clinics, and golf at the 18-hole Pete Dye-designed course (where Clint Eastwood is said to love playing). Or just relax on your private deck and survey the glories of Carmel Valley, a fine glass of pinot noir in hand. www.carmelvalleyranch.com

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★ CARMEL VALLEY RANCH

A lucky winner and a guest will spend four days and three nights at the luxurious Carmel Valley Ranch in picturesque Carmel Valley, California, two hours south of San Francisco and 10 minutes from the beaches and galleries of Carmel-by-the-Sea. Whether your idea of the dream getaway is in a hammock or on a horse, at the spa or on the golf course, Carmel Valley Ranch is a perfect resort playground for nature, food, and adventure lovers. www.carmelvalleyranch.com

★ AMERICAN WEST WEEKENDER TOTE

Enter to win this roomy hand-tooled leather carry-on tote by American West. Featuring whipstitched trim and accented with a silver concho, the weekender organizes everything but your itinerary with lots of smart compartments, pouches, and pockets. www.americanwest.cc



★ ROCKETBUSTER BOOTS

These boots were made for traveling—and for rocking your wardrobe. One lucky winner will receive a \$1,000 gift certificate for a pair of Rocketbuster Handmade Custom Boots, made by a family-owned operation that's crazy about craftsmanship. www.rocketbuster.com



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Pull on your boots, grab your bag, and go!