

What's new on Mackinac Island for summer 2017?

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Hotel renovations, the world's longest porch and much more are in store. Kathleen Lavey

The horses are back on Mackinac Island and resorts are gearing up for a full summer season of fudge-fueled fun.

New this year: A wine bar, renovated spa and a continuing room renovation at Mission Point Resort.

The Grand Hotel also has completed the renovation of its 660-foot-long porch and created three new fourth-floor cupola suites with blue-sky wallpaper and stunning views of the straits.

Mission Point opens Friday for a pre-season week, with rooms available for as low as \$129 a night including breakfast and ferry tickets (you have to book that deal by Friday for dates through May 3). The Grand Hotel also opens Friday for pre-season rooms but no dinner service; full services begins on May 4.

Both hotels offer a variety of special packages; check deals online at www.grandhotel.com or www.missionpoint.com.

Here's a rundown of what else you'll find new on the Victorian-era island this summer.



Mission Point Resort's renovated Tranquility suite. (Photo: Mission Point Resort)

- **A wine bar at Mission Point.** The Reserve Tasting Room will include wines from all over the world as well as Mission Point wines. Wine is served with charcuterie boards featuring artisan cheeses.

- **A renovated Lakeside Spa at Mission Point.** The full-service spa includes a signature lilac facial and body treatment and a Great Lakes stone massage. The spa also offers free sunrise hiking sessions.