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*Malibu Beach Inn*

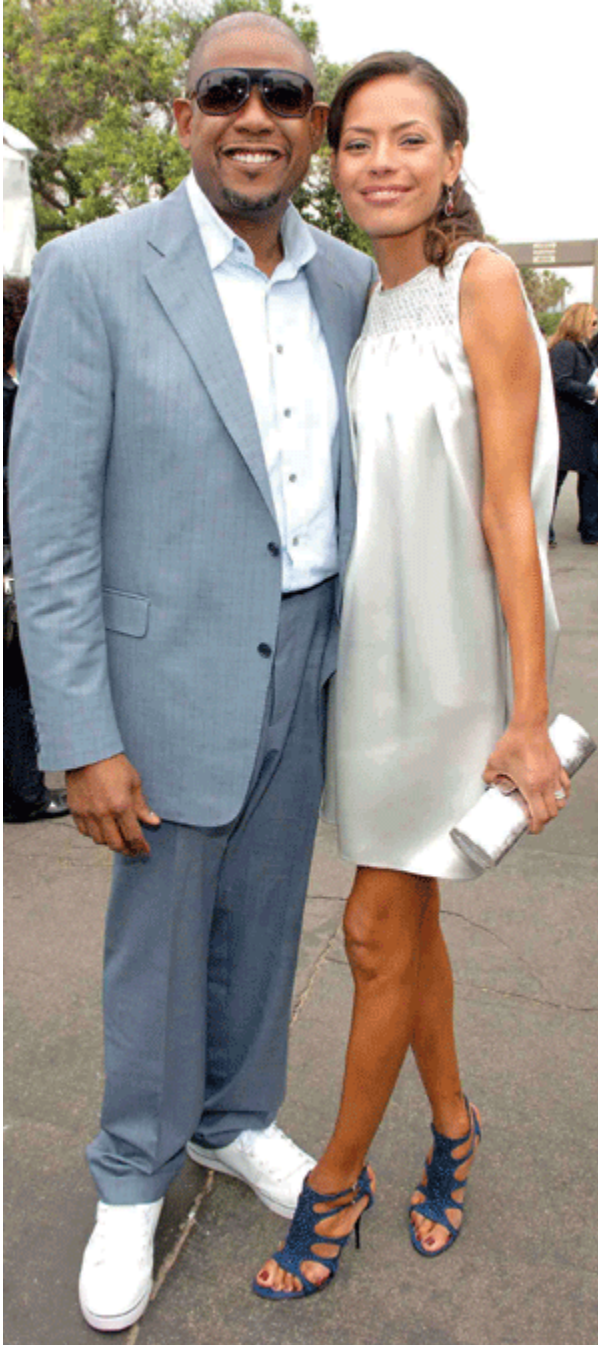
CARBON BEACH

## A Whitaker Kind of Summer



CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: Balboa Park; Four Seasons Resort The Biltmore Santa Barbara; Scoops ice cream; Sushi from Nobu; Hollywood Bowl; Coast at Shutters on the Beach

**Forest and Keisha Whitaker** let us in on their favorite



ways to spend a summer day in and around beautiful LA.

1. **Coast at Shutters on the Beach** (*One Pico Boulevard, Santa Monica, 310-587-1707; [shuttersonthebeach.com](http://shuttersonthebeach.com)*). We like having lunch there—some of the menu reminds us of New England, especially the clam chowder—and then taking a walk with the girls on the beach towards the Santa Monica Pier.
2. **Hollywood Bowl** (*2301 North Highland Avenue, Los Angeles, 323-850-2000; [hollywoodbowl.com](http://hollywoodbowl.com)*). We love the venue. We grab a picnic from Gelson's and are ready to have a great night. It's a summer must—especially the Jazz Fest.

3. **Pacific Vineland Drive-In** (*443 North Vineland Avenue, City of Industry, 626-961-9262; [vinelanddriveintheater.com](http://vinelanddriveintheater.com)*). It's soo old school and such a fun way to see a movie. The snack bar has all the movie-house favorites.
4. **The African Marketplace** (*[africanmarketplace.org](http://africanmarketplace.org)*). This is a wonderful cultural festival that takes place in downtown LA at the Rancho Cienega Recreation Complex every August and September. It's family-oriented with unique crafts, food and music.
5. **The 'Bu**. Malibu is spectacular all year round but even better in the summer. We love to stay at the **Malibu Beach Inn** (*22878 Pacific Coast Highway, Malibu, 310-456-6444; [malibubeachinn.com](http://malibubeachinn.com)*), walk the beach, shop the **Malibu Country Mart** (*3835 Cross Creek Road, Malibu; [malibucountrymart.com](http://malibucountrymart.com)*) and grab dinner at **Moonshadows** (*20356 Pacific Coast Highway, Malibu, 310-456-3010; [moonshadowsmalibu.com](http://moonshadowsmalibu.com)*), **Nobu** (*3835 Cross Creek Road, Malibu, 310-317-9140; [nobumatsuhisa.com](http://nobumatsuhisa.com)*) or **Taverna Tony** (*23410 Civic Center Way, Malibu, 310-317-9667; [tavernatony.com](http://tavernatony.com)*). Takeout from **Reel Inn Fresh Fish Restaurant** (*18661 Pacific Coast Highway, Malibu, 310-456-8221*) is yummy, too.
6. **Brunch at Four Seasons Resort The Biltmore Santa Barbara** (*1260 Channel Drive, Santa Barbara, 805-969-2261; [fourseasons.com](http://fourseasons.com)*). It's always delicious, and you have an unparalleled view of the ocean as you eat.
7. **Balboa Park** (*[balboapark.org](http://balboapark.org)*). We drive to San Diego just to spend the day there. It's a fun atmosphere and caters to families.
8. **Biking on the boardwalk**. Renting bikes on Venice Beach is the perfect way to get some exercise, and the people-watching is incredible!
9. **Ice cream**. Nothing says summer like cucumber melon sorbet at **Scoops** (*712 North Heliotrope Drive, Los Angeles, 323-906-2649*).
10. **Hiking**. The trails in Fryman Canyon are great all year long, but early on a summer evening they are especially breathtaking. You can even take a detour to TreePeople's (a Los Angeles nonprofit offering sustainable solutions to urban ecosystem problems) historic headquarters. Somebody dedicated a tree in our family name there.

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