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From hot spots to hidden gems It's your guide to all things L A the unscripted way from the mission in hotel and spa breathtaking spiral staircase exotic birds and historical bells This riverside national historical landmark is great gorgeous and all that up for the holidays Hi everyone I'm Devin and guess have been checking in here since 1876 Now revealing why going off script at the architectural marvel should be your next mission We've had several presidents coming in here Lots of celebrities Barbara Streisand James Bland Tom Cruise and many others This is the star of the inland southern California We have 238 rooms Every room you go into It's different than the other room There is no duplicate room in here The building is like you are in Italy Spain the San Francis Chapel It was relocated from a place in Guadalajara and they bought in 35 different crates and reassembled here piece by piece It's 24 Karat gold plated mission in started in 1876 Initially it was 12 rooms was like bed and breakfast and the original building right where the pool is right now Frank Miller bought it from his parents in 1880 he built on it The hotel was closed in 1985 The city of Riverside was going to demolish it Kelly and Wayne Robert took it over took uh seven years of renovations 1977 mission and was officially given the name National Historic Hotel 10 President that stays in the hotel President Nixon that had his wedding here We've had uh President Theft which Frank Miller built a special chair for him When President Theft saw it he wasn't too happy because the chair is a little bit oversized The hotel is very unique as you know it's historical and there's nothing like it We average just to feed people between 2500 to 3000 people a day Du steakhouse and seafood is the only five guyon rated property in inland southern California The Mexican restaurant las component which is outdoor We also have the missionary restaurant from Orange County It's less than 40 minutes If you're coming from L A downtown it's practically one hour come and see the old Euro without going to Europe This place is so rich in history There are tours going by here constantly one just went through now and you know something else genius to do And so this festive season put on some very merry ears and join our Jasmine Simpkins It's the most wonderful time of the year at the happiest place on earth We're celebrating the holidays Right here at Disneyland You can hear it right now right at the holiday music But when you walk down Main street and you see the twinkling lights the garlands the huge Christmas tree and the parade is back It is back and we have missed it This is one of

those great opportunities where you can sit in one spot and have everything come to you the princesses the princes the characters Santa all in one package We also have the Toy Factory float where you can see the elves working through the toys We've got like I said the reindeer the Christmas dancers It is just such a wonderful time to be here I can't help but notice your ears These are really fine I mean are these sweet All this collection is inspired by Walt Holiday Lodge So you'll see me and friends skiing snowboarding and his Winter Wonder Lodge Castle What's great about our ornaments too is that we do have personalization throughout the year So our cast members spend time personalizing ornaments and you can see them in the window Fun fact this tree is 60 ft tall and there are 1800 Victorian ornaments And if I'm lucky they'll add one more The festival of holidays in general is a great way to learn about other people's cultures and see a little bit of your own This is the place where the party happens We have so much fun You could even call it a fiesta The fan favorite Disney's Viva Navidad A street party is returning We have Elsa Bueno and they are rocking it And now to my favorite part talking about the food I love to eat and that's what we're doing We're telling stories with our festival of holiday We've got our impossible Arepa in that's right there in the middle that's celebrating Three Kings Day in the middle We've got a Nashville hot chicken slider celebrating Kwanzaa and then there next to it we've got the China Masala celebrating DW These special guests are some sanger We're welcoming them to the festival holidays for the first time They are an R and B A cappella group called the Mistle Toes You're gonna love them It is definitely time to we invite everyone to join us in the spirit of the season celebrating festival of holidays which is running now all the way through January night Another jasmine mission accomplished But discovering all the magical history of this mission may take some time The hotel takes up an entire city block has four restaurants and 238 guest rooms So we're going to take a quick break but don't check out because when we check back in where to shop for cute cozy and comfortable sweaters with L A unscripted from the iconic mission in and Spot is back before you can name all nine of Santa's Reindeers Welcome back to L A unscripted from the Mission Inn Hotel and Spa I'm Danny Devin And this holiday season the iconic Riverside Escape gives a whole new meaning to jingle bells The Festival of Lights a celebration of Christmas and the holidays Our start date is a day after Thanksgiving and it goes to January 6th We've been doing this for 29 years We have people coming from a lot of states They come every year here to celebrate the festival of lights I love

lights and decorations like this larger than life gingerbread house with edible ginger bread and butter cream that took 2.5 months to complete But let's be honest even Santa Happiest of helpers can turn into the Grinch with chimney high holiday cost Now our lau sponsor help our Day Bar did her ho ho no holiday sweater I think my holiday sweater is perfect for the holiday party but I'm late So let's go Hi ladies I made it I'm so excited So what are you wearing It's a sweater sweater party No sweater party Not ugly sweater party I got you covered I've always got backups All right This is the sweater you're talking about I see it now Definitely I mean it's just got those cozy touches but still really sophisticated Yours and mine are from Venus They have everything to dress you from head to toe So the accessories the shoes that the full on fashion from sweaters and coats to jeans they got everything even long to finish it off I can hide all the gifts in here because these sleeves are so puffy and gray What are some other trends for the holiday Well we're seeing a lot of shearling but when it comes to Venus we're doing faux suede in faux Shearlings and then I wanted to kick it up with an embellished sweater underneath So if you watch the show you know I'm super adventurous and I'm hitting the slopes this winter What are kind of the trends for bigger puffier jackets This Puffer has this really cool snake skin design on the outside of it And then underneath we've got again a cozy V neck sweater but it's about the detail you know in L A it doesn't get too cold but everyone needs a classic coat You do and mostly we usually turn to like the basic black or camel colors I would say Venus is going to show you a lot of different colors And again kicked up a notch in Venus style with embellishment on the sleeve And then underneath we've got again a cable knit sweater with a little turtle neck but little extra detail Just a little hint of an open shoulder Usually you don't think of color in the winter but I love your blue Thank you Yeah And actually speaking of blue we've got more of the full length Puffer and it has a hint of metallic It's belted the waist So you're still creating your shaping and then underneath just cozy comfort with an open cardigan So a lot of times when you think of winter you think of cozy fluffy but I'm wearing some faux leather pants Let's let's talk about some edgy winter stuff Ok So moto jackets kind of in for everybody when you want a little edge So this one from Venus has the full leather details It has plaid textures a little faux fur and then underneath is this kind of black and white soft print Clearly You saw my wardrobe It's not great What's another sweater I could wear to another party This is a pale blue with a faux fur trim around the hood And then underneath we've got the almost like a

little bohemian edge on this sweater It's a cold shoulder style Ok So you're just going to go to Venus dot com and you can afford all of these and still have plenty of money left over to buy gifts for family and friends And when you're done before you check out you're going to use our special code 21 L A and get free shipping on all of it to winter I love that It and we have more local deals and steals Coming up getting a green thumb at Rogers Garden when unscripted from the mission in hotel and fall is back before you can untangle your Christmas tree lights outside of Armenia has the largest populations of Armenians in the world today Our sponsor a powerhouse lawyer reveals why she loves helping her community Cheers to ladies who lunch and cheers Tell me about Ivana Law We'll start with the name Everybody asks me how did you come up with the name Dana is a female healing plan I think women in this world really are the healers of the world We exude empathy which I think is missing in today's society And the vision was to have an all female law firm and to see what comes of it And here we are a couple of years later and we've grown substantially You come into a country that you don't know the language you don't know the culture you don't know how things are done and you have to really struggle and find your path and become a responsible member of the society Well you layer in the fact that you're Armenian then you layer in the fact that you're a female in an all male dominated industry and then layer in the fact that you're also a mom So there's a lot of hurdles the reality of knowing your roots and knowing where you came from and really understanding what makes you stronger every day when someone's injured is really a trying time in their lives And I think it's important to align yourself with professionals who have best interest at heart so that they can guide you and carry you through that trauma and grief and pain And when I sit down with any of my potential clients I think a lot of my female intuition kicks in And that's what makes me an amazing attorney I'm big at supporting people because at some point somebody else supported me Therefore I'm here in the next you know 5 10 years 20 years where do you hope to take this law firm reality The law firm has outgrown all of my wildest imaginations My dream is really to inspire my Children to inspire our community to inspire a young female that's thinking and doubting whether she can or cannot do law school We are in the land of opportunity and not to take that chance and live out your dream I think it's such a waste and you could see the Armenian community everywhere within the L A We are in the most beautiful restaurant owned by Armenians Me and my husband uh started this business from scratch Like

we build the building from scratch Everything was pretty tough but we went through pandemic So we opened up right with pandemic the food that we have It's a combination of different cuisines So we mix everything we want to have like that We use organic and very very quality food So please let's try some food This food looks so amazing Thank you so much We decided to invite everyone to lunch Let's do it Cheers It's considered a presidential paradise The mission in is hosted multiple us presidents All their portraits are on display here in the lobby right behind me For example Richard Patricia Nixon even said there I do here and the Reagans honeymoon at the Inland Empire Theodore Roosevelt who actually stayed in the hotel as we know it today where the bar and lounge is Hoover He actually came out here a couple of times not as president though he came out as I think Secretary of Commerce to inspect a dam that became known as Hoover Dam John F Kennedy Jerry Ford of Ronald Reagan He and Nancy Reagan Honeymoon here at the hotel Richard Nixon and he is here twice George W Bush came here and now began tell us is on a mission at Corona Del Mar's Rogers Garden with some topiary tips We're in the holiday business and in fact most people as a garden center wouldn't know we're busier in October November December than we are in spring We'll have like 250,000 people come to our facility to experience Christmas All right He so we're at the front of the store now Ok I'm so excited I'm holding your arm here Bavarian designer you said yes Bavarian So these Shanto are made in Bavaria They are all handmade from in the original molds they're made from Papier Mache The artists use the original mold They're actually vintage candy containers I just grab one and you said they're like over 100 years old every year we uh begin set up at the beginning of September Our inventory all comes over wave by wave And we have a team of about um 10 people who pull this together takes us four weeks We start the process at at least a year if not two years in advance And my dad was a huge gardener And so he's going to Roger's Gardens and became fast friends with Rogers And my dad being a serial entrepreneur in 1970 bought Roger's Gardens from Roger but he had a day job He founded a major pharmaceutical manufacturing company and that's what he did But this was his hobby And in 1974 he built this place which is really kind of the garden center of the future It was a garden center of which he wanted to shop Mr Rogers is our mascot dog who's here every day and he's only here to be petted all hand turned traditionally um possibly the origins of the original Christmas tree but you pop the candles in here and the heat from the flame will turn the pyramid at the top Does it have a name What what is this It's a

Christmas pyramid all handmade and hand lathed in Germany to this day I love all of the detail on the ornaments on this tree We work with um a variety of uh family businesses in Poland the whole process of one of these ornaments can take days um you know from the blowing of the glass to the silver and each ornament gets a coating of silver on the inside of it Then painted the base color gets painted For example this one they'll paint the red on the outside and they have to wait for that to dry before they hand paint the glue lines and apply the glitter And then the last thing that goes on here would be the little Swarovski Rhinestones art culture community holidays It all comes together Thank you so much This is so beautiful from the garden to the galley Let's see what Jessica Holmes is heating up This is a savory one using pumpkin and it kind of combines all of those things that are cozy and warm chopping up some onion over here which is always the base I think of a good pasta dish when you got some finely chopped onion So over there in my pan I've got the bacon cooking up about four slices get it nice and brown And then we're going to take the bacon out and use kind of the bacon fat to cook the onion We've got our bacon out of the pan nice and crispy So gonna reserve that But in this pot I've got the bacon grease and then about a quarter to a half of an onion depending on how big your onion is Some salt Our penne is cooked So I'm just gonna leave it here in the strainer while our onions are cooking some butter in a pan And what I want to do is do a little bit of brown butter I think one thing that really makes you think of fall and go so well with pumpkin is sage So I have these beautiful sage leaves and I'm gonna just toast them in the brown butter and that'll go on top of our pumpkin penne Um I wanna put some garlic in with her onion One big clove two small ones Ok Now our pumpkin puree I'm gonna do a half a can ok Butter off So brown butter is done a little bit of chicken stock to create a sauce to our pumpkin and our chicken stock A heavy pinch of salt A secret ingredient So I'm gonna turn it down from boiling just to a light simmer some mascarpone So I'm gonna whisk that in some pepper ok Just a pinch of nutmeg One little thing I'm gonna add just as we're about to finish some fresh baby spinach So to finish it I'm gonna crumble up my crisp bacon on top And then these beautiful crisped sage leaves that were in brown butter Some Parmesan good real Parmesan cheese fall on a plate They say make life a mission not an intermission and that's why we invite you to go off script with us and discover all the cool hot spots and hidden gems in California mission Complete here at the mission in hotel and spa Thank you guys so much for having us Where will we be next Dm Us your local leader

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