Silvies Valley Ranch | Seneca

Here, you're not only staying at a hotel or a lodge, but also an honestto-goodness ranch. Silvies merges a luxury retreat and spa experience with an ecologically sustainable livestock ranch. Bike, herd goats or cattle, shoot, hike, fish, go for a wagon or horseback ride, ice fish, or golf in the snow with neongreen tennis balls, all without leaving the 140,000-acre property. "We've got a huge playground," said Mark Conn, the property's marketing director. A new winter package for a three-night stay includes the first night at the lodge and on the second night, ski or hike to the property's remote cabin with an outdoor shower and dinner around the fire. "We cook everything outside. It really is for the outdoor adventurous," said Conn.

Back at the lodge, treat yourself to a couples' massage or other restorative treatment at the tranquil Rocking Heart Spa, filled with natural light and inspired by high desert nature and culture. Let city life flow away in the indoor lap pool, saunas, hot tubs or on the climbing wall.

Golfers will want to play the 18-hole reversible golf course, clockwise or counter-clockwise. Enlist a goat caddy—yep, custom-saddle wearing goats who carry a few golf clubs, extra balls and tees, refreshments and peanuts (for them and you) on two courses.