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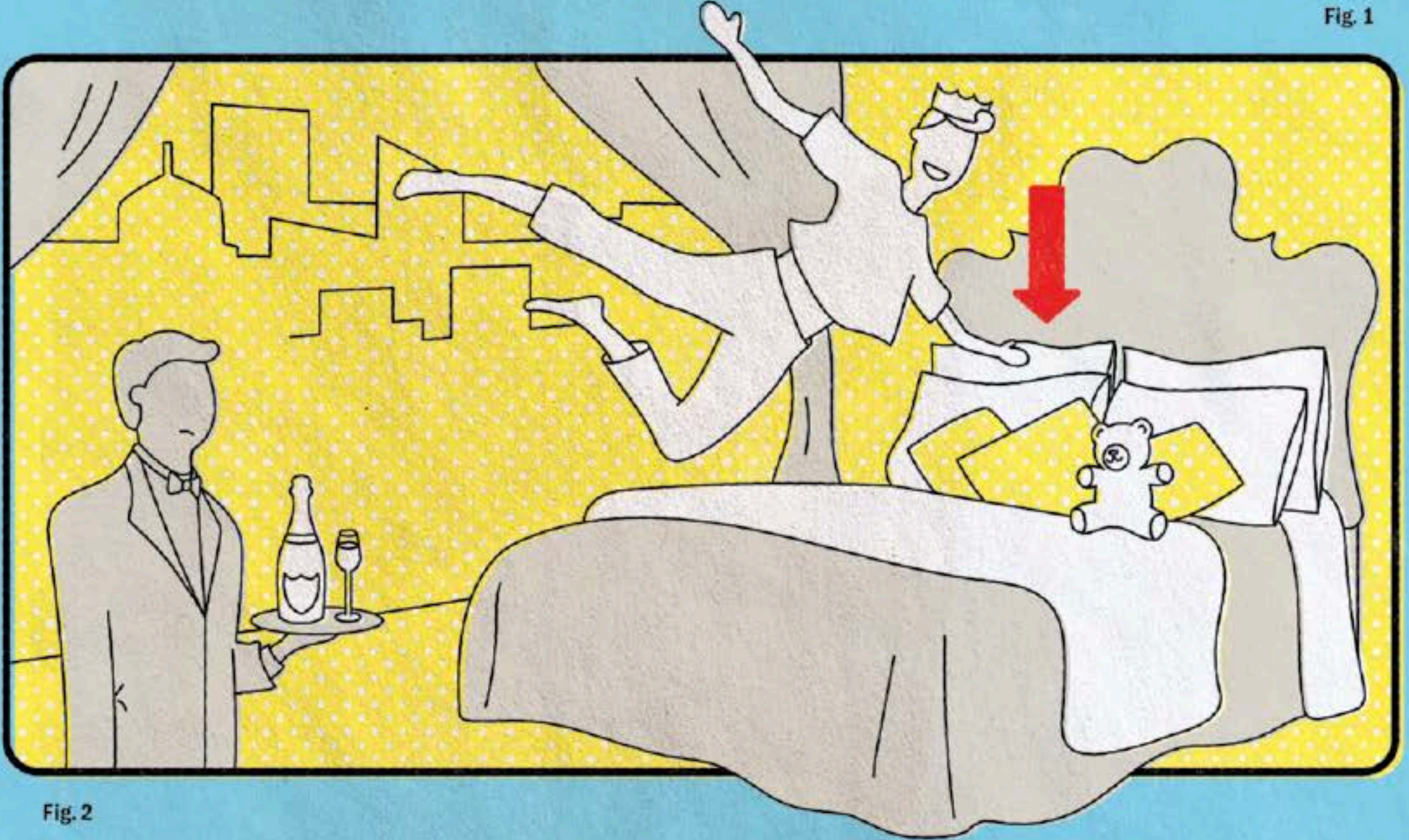


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Travel hacks

Fasten your seatbelt low and tight for Time Out's guide to upgrades, hip hotels and the places you must visit in 2017 p06



Ready for take-off

Plan your big trip now with *Time Out's* guide to five of the world's hottest neighbourhoods in 2017.

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Destination

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Waikiki, Honolulu

Must-have Luggage

Having high-quality luggage is an essential item when it comes to both carry-on and checked-in bags.

Frequent travellers know wheels are important for running between gates, and always have a solid case for checked-in bags so your clothes don't get soaked. You'll find a great selection from the team at Tumi, including the 19 Degree range.

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Outrigger Waikiki Beach Resort



HONOLULU IS THE South Pacific's hottest destination right now and in the heart of the action is Waikiki, which, despite being touristy, is one of America's most fun neighbourhoods. Right on the beach is **Duke's Waikiki** and whether you come here for a Mai Tai in the Barefoot Bar or a meal in the dining room, one thing is for sure: you'll be having a Polynesian good time. Everything here, from the pupus (snacks) to Tiki cocktails and live music, has a Hawaiian theme. It's also good value, with signature Mai Tais priced at \$12 and *Time Out's* other favourite, the vodka and rum-based Tropical Itch (complete with back scratcher), costing a cool \$10. When it comes to food, order the panko fried calamari, the Cajun fish tacos or pulled pork sandwich and round it off with hula pie. 2335 Kalakaua Ave, Honolulu, Hawaii, USA. +1 808 922 2268. www.dukeswaikiki.com.

Adjacent to Duke's is the latest addition to the Waikiki scene, jazz bar

Blue Note, which has already had some top headline acts in its short history, from Chaka Khan to Dee Dee Bridgewater, the Wailers, Big Bad Voodoo Daddy and a comedy pop-up featuring Amy Schumer last year. 2335 Kalakaua Ave, Honolulu, Hawaii, USA. +1 808 777 4890. bluenotehawaii.com.

The big breakfast at the Honolulu outpost of **Bills** might just be better than what we get here in Emerald City. The Hawaii 'full Aussie' is loaded up with scrambled Waimanalo eggs, cumin roast tomatoes, miso mushrooms, bacon, and pork and fennel sausage. Bills serves up the best flat whites in Waikiki, a juicy kale and pineapple smoothie, and a spiced Bloody Mary that will cure the worst of hangovers. 280 Beach Walk, Honolulu, Hawaii, USA. +1 808 922 1500. billshawaii.com. Get your shopping fix at the **Ala Moana Center**, the largest shopping mall in Hawaii, which has just undergone a major extension and now features 290 stores from J Crew to Nordstrom. 1450 Ala Moana Blvd,

Honolulu, Hawaii, USA. +1 808 955 9517. www.alamoanacenter.com.

Oahu's most storied hotel, the **Royal Hawaiian**, or the Pink Palace as it is also known, dates back to 1927 and retains many of its historic characteristics. Book a room in the Mailani Tower, where each room features a balcony and views overlooking Diamond Head, plus a complimentary breakfast and sunset drinks and canapés. Head to the Mai Tai bar for cocktails on the beach, Azure for lunch and don't miss the Royal Aha'aina luau. 2259 Kalakaua Ave, Honolulu, Hawaii, USA. +1 808 923 7311. www.royal-hawaiian.com. Next door, the **Outrigger Waikiki Beach Resort** has rooms to suit all budgets from ones with city views to those overlooking Waikiki Beach, plus there's a pool adjacent to the South Pacific sands and four restaurants and bars. 2335 Kalakaua Ave, Honolulu, Hawaii, USA. +1 808 923 0711. www.outriggerwaikikihotel.com. →**Get there:** Hawaiian Airlines (www.hawaiianairlines.com.au) flies daily to Honolulu from Sydney.