

# Best places to buy an affordable vacation home



The housing bubble popped painfully in many popular second-home areas - including these. Median values fell 10% to 20% in the past year alone and are expected to bottom in the next 12 months.

## Borrego Springs, Calif.

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**Median home:** \$236,000

**What it's like:** This desert community near San Diego sits in the middle of 600,000-acre Anza-Borrego State Park, with hundreds of miles of trails for hiking, biking, and horseback riding.

**Check out:** The De Anza Country Club and the gated Montesor development, which have the most deluxe homes.

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