



Each bungalow has distinct decor: Aunt Zoe's Place is all retro romance; Le Bébé (inset) is a flight of French fancy.



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A trio of Technicolor bungalows makes California dreaming a reality

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Each cottage comes with a name and an aesthetic, by designer Kelly LaPlante, to match. The flirty Le Bébé—with its Bastille hues, French-chic accents, and burst of red butterflies above the bed—is a riot of bright color compared to the Papa Hemingway cottage, handsomely dressed with glossy earth tones, a vintage club chair, and antique art. The third bungalow, called Aunt

Zoe's Place, is a 1940s Norman Rockwell-esque scene well-stocked with vintage touches.

The retreats are an easy stroll to the shops and cafés of Abbot Kinney Boulevard and Venice Beach Boardwalk, where everyone enjoys the ocean breeze, expansive beach, and eye-popping stream of humanity. Capture the Venice cottage magic with these nine products. Rates starting at \$175; venicebeachecocottages.com.