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# Ferrington Village

Pittsboro, N.C.

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About 40 minutes

**T**he holidays are over, and it's time to unwind. How about a romantic getaway for two, complete with luxurious accommodations, elegant dining options and even a little classic country charm? And it's got to be nearby — after driving back and forth to relatives' houses since Thanksgiving, the family car needs a rest too.

Pittsboro, N.C., less than an hour's drive from Cary, has the perfect getaway in Ferrington Village, and its centerpiece, The Ferrington House Country Inn and Restaurant.

With 33 luxurious rooms, each decorated in its own unique style and starting at \$240 per night, the inn is designed to spoil its guests with only the finest in comforts and accessories. The room rate even includes a gourmet breakfast and a traditional English afternoon tea. If that's not enough, before you arrive, you can arrange for a little something extra for your stay — from an in-room massage to chilled champagne and chocolate-covered strawberries.

was once a part of the Ferrington Farm. Today, The Old Granary serves up traditional Southern cuisine with a view of the pastures filled with Belted Galloway Cows and Tennessee Fainting Goats. For a quick lunch or a cup of coffee and a pastry, visit The Belted Goat, and don't forget to choose a few truffles — lime and lavender or orange and thyme, perhaps? — from the selection of handcrafted sweets.

Once you've rested in luxury and dined in elegance, stop by the Folk Art Gallery, located inside The Old Granary. Here, you can buy distinctive and quirky works of

art from artists from across the Southeast or just browse through the unique pieces. If you make your trip to Ferrington Feb. 17 or 18, you'll also be able to enjoy the Ferrington Folk Art Show at The Barn at Ferrington. The show is free and will feature pieces from many of the artists whose work is displayed in the gallery.

No vacation would be complete without a little shopping, though, and Ferrington Village delivers, with a bookstore, a home and garden shop, a nursery, a florist and gift shop, an antiques store, a toy store, a jewelry gallery, a bank, a beauty shop and a farmers' market. Whew! You'll need that extra comfy bed when you're done making the rounds!

To make reservations for the inn or the restaurant, call (919) 542-2121, or visit the Ferrington Web site, at [www.ferrington.com](http://www.ferrington.com). While you're there, be sure to check out seasonal specials and packages that offer great deals, like The Ferrington Winter Getaway — one night's accommodation, English afternoon tea, gourmet dinner for two at The Ferrington House, a gourmet breakfast and a \$25 gift card — starting at \$295 and available through February 2007.

Sounds like the perfect way to start your vacation from the holiday season.

— Kati Knowland



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For dinner, where better to indulge than at the Ferrington House Restaurant with a three-, four- or five-course dinner chosen from a menu that changes seasonally? The restaurant has received a number of awards and recognitions over the years, including the AAA Five Diamond Award, the Mobil Four Star Award and Wine Spectator's Best of Award of Excellence.

If you'd like your dinner to be a little more low-key, try The Old Granary Restaurant and Bar, born out of the historic granary that