

Sat, 15 Jan 2011

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I'm here!

Well, I made it! After a snowy and stressful final week in NJ we had a smooth flight out west and landed in Los Angeles right on time on Friday. The whole trip went incredibly well - check- and security were quick and painless and the flight went fast. The best news was that when I got to the car rental office they upgraded me for free to a Mustang convertible which was exactly what I wanted! It was 80 degrees and sunny - i drove the entire way to Palm Springs with the top down and a huge smile on my face. My place looks great - clean and in perfect condition. I spent the first afternoon just unpacking and getting settled in. The energy I had in the car didn't last long - once I was done getting set up I was pretty much done for the night. I picked up a few staples at the store, had some disappointing thai food, and tried to watch a damaged dvd of Inception. I think I made it to about 9PM before I passed out.

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Sun, 16 Jan 2011

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Day 1 - 76 degrees

<p>What a great first day here in the desert! I woke up early yesterday and sat on my balcony for a little while looking at the mountains.

 I then got dressed and headed over to Koffi, one of my favorite places here in Palm Springs. Great coffee, and a beautiful courtyard out back where you can sit and stare at the mountains for hours. I didn't stay though - I got a couple of coffees and some croissants and headed over to my friend Michelle's to help her with her yard sale. I pulled away from the curb a little too quickly and tipped over the entire tray of coffee and milk. </p>

<p>Michelle was in the middle of her third panic attack when I arrived and thrilled to see me show up. Having been through a few of these I know that the buyers start showing up when they want regardless of what time you tell them. She'd had people arriving since before 7AM. I helped her set up and then stayed for a few hours.</p>

<p>I would have stayed longer but when I got there I realized that her house number was 1841, not 1842 as I had written on the enormous box of supplies that I'd had shipped to her. I left so that I could call UPS and reassure myself that my things were not already on their way back to NJ. Fortunately they were not scheduled to be delivered till Monday.</p>

<p>I spent the rest of the day shopping - Trader Joe's, Target, and most importantly - the Apple Store! I am now the proud owner

of a Macbook Pro - my first official Mac ever. I admit it - I love it. I was always happy with my previous computers but this is the first time I have ever owned a computer that I can not wait to use. Although it is so beautiful I almost don't want to. I love it - I would marry it if I could.</p>

<p>Saturday night had a wonderful dinner at Tropicale with William and his new man Mark, as well as friends Bev and Stan and our friends from NY Lisa and Peter. Great food and a wonderful evening. Everyone looked great and we laughed a lot.

 One of the highlights of the evening was a new lip gloss that Bev brought with her called See the Light - it has a built-in mirror AND light in the container. Really amazing - I think we all tried it.</p>

<p>Time to head to Koffi. I am so glad to be out here.</p>

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Day 3 - 80 degrees

First let me just say - THE JETS WON!!OK it's true I am not a huge football fan but I do have to watch the local teams when they are in the playoffs or Superbowl. And as I have 6 family members that I know were glued to their tv screens yesterday I also wanted to watch out of solidarity. William and I headed over to Hamburger Mary's at 1PM and Stan joined us just in time for the kickoff, which we unfortunately missed because they were still playing the post-game from the Bears/Seahawks game. The game was exciting and we had a great time. It was great to see the Jets win, and even better to be able to send a gloating text to all of my Boston friends when the Patriots lost.Had early cocktails (well not me, but everyone else) at the Starlight Lounge (a/a/a William's place). Mark picked up some wonderful Mexican food at his favorite bodega. They had the most enormous cookies I've ever seen. The evening was wrapped up with the usual video offerings.

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