

Hackers break into Destination Hotels' payment system

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Hackers have broken into the payment processing system of Destination Hotels & Resorts, a high-end chain best known for its resort hotels in destinations such as Vail, Colorado; Lake Tahoe, California; and Maui, Hawaii.

Guests who recently stayed at 21 of the resort's 30 hotels may have been victimized by the scheme, which appears to have compromised point-of-sale systems. The company refused to release many details of the incident – citing an ongoing investigation by the U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation – but in a note posted to its Web site said that it had “uncovered a malicious software program inserted into its credit card processing system from a remote source.”

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