

Summer



✈️ 3 HRS

Palazzo Sasso, ITALY

 If you're looking for old-school luxury on the Amalfi Coast, head to the hilltop village of Ravello where you'll find Palazzo Sasso, a 12th-century villa with five-star credentials. The vistas of sparkling-blue waters and hilly coastline are the hotel's *raison d'être*, but don't let the panoramic views overshadow the gorgeous rooms. The Vietri tiles, antique furniture and precious rugs create a sumptuous setting, and you'll find Frette pillows embroidered with your initials and a bathroom full of Bulgari products. If a dip in the Med beckons, a shuttle will whisk you off to the beach club, where you'll find water-edge cabanas and waiters offering chilled prosecco.

WOW FACTOR The Infinito Suite, with its large terrace and amazing views, is the ultimate honeymooners' check-in.

GO Elegant Resorts (elegantresorts.co.uk) offers seven nights B&B in a Queen Double Room - Mountain Side from £1,790 per person. Includes flights to Naples with British Airways and transfers.

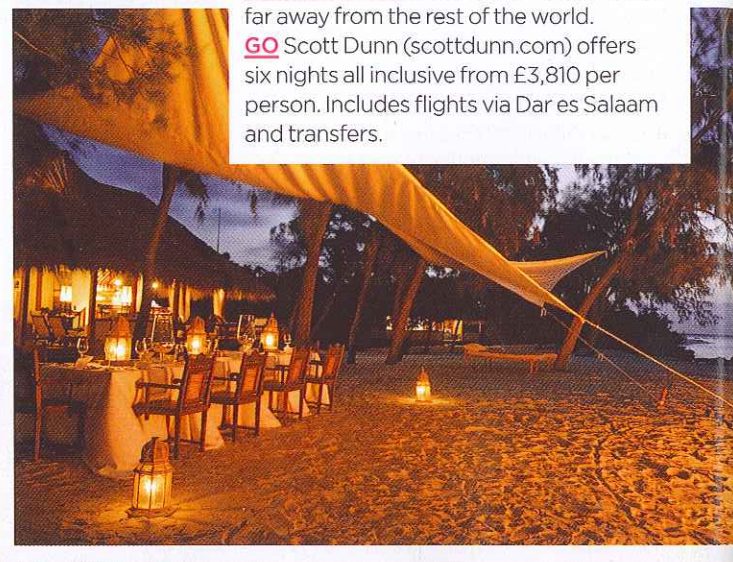
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Vamizi Island, MOZAMBIQUE

 It's the location and wildlife that make Vamizi Island unique. With just 13 spacious villas set back from the beach, a handful of staff and the Indian Ocean at your feet, it's perfect for Robinson Crusoe-style romantic isolation. There's world-class diving and deep-sea fishing, but you can also bird-watch from your sun-lounger or spy on Samango monkeys. When the sun sets, you'll follow torchlights along the beach to the lodge for dinner. Vamizi is a conservationist project - with no pools or baths, it's charmingly less polished than other Indian Ocean islands. An unspoilt piece of paradise.

WOW FACTOR The back-to-nature vibe, far away from the rest of the world.

GO Scott Dunn (scottdunn.com) offers six nights all inclusive from £3,810 per person. Includes flights via Dar es Salaam and transfers.



✈️ 11 HRS

Maia Luxury Resort & Spa, SEYCHELLES

 A sleek slice of jet-set chic in the heart of the Indian Ocean, Maia is arguably the most lavish resort on Mahé, the largest island in the Seychelles. A hotel with just 30 thatched villas, its views are as fabulous as the facilities are fantastic. The villas, with infinity plunge pools and outdoor baths, are so roomy you'll want to hole up forever - which, with the decadent spa treatments (and a fridge filled with lush La Prairie products), is easy to do. Food is the big draw here. Maia has brought in five head chefs, including George Billionis from One&Only Royal Mirage in Dubai, and Jean-Paul Nourrice, a native whose specialities include bat curry.

WOW FACTOR With a personal butler on call, your every wish is their command.

GO The Turquoise Holiday Company (turquoiseholidays.co.uk) offers seven nights full board in an Ocean View Villa from £4,850 per person. Includes Air Seychelles flights and transfers.

