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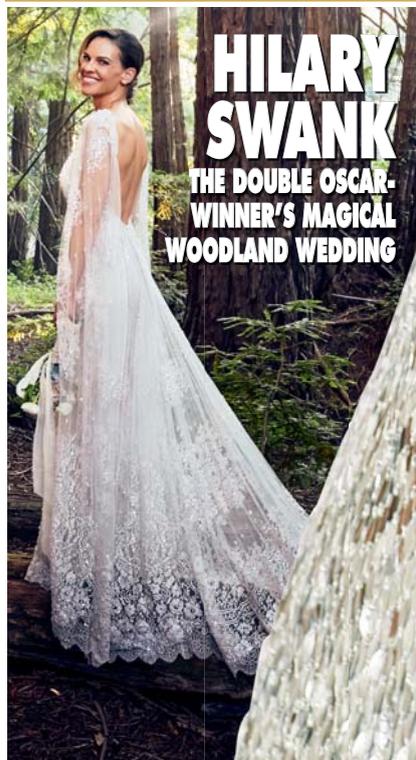
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Home COMFORTS

Coco Chanel moved into The Ritz Paris and Bruce Willis owns a villa at Parrot Cay in Turks & Caicos; live like a star by splashing out on a five-star, fully serviced holiday home



THE PAVILIONS PHUKET RESIDENCES *Thailand*

THE STAY: If you're a fan of Gordon Oldham's flagship luxury boutique hotel – perfectly perched in a prime spot in Layan – then why not splash out on a piece of it? Nestled in the exclusive enclave, the just-launched collection of six three- and four-bedroom villas, and two two-bedroom penthouses – the latter's owners have the option of entering a rental pool with 60 days' use per year and an expected annual return on investment of four per cent – are a tropical dream-come-true. Whether you are after a spectacular holiday bolthole or a shrewd real estate investment, relax in sprawling spaces of between 335sqm to 965.5sqm of open-plan living, complete with infinity pools and access to the resort's soothing spa, Mediterranean Firefly eatery and picturesque 360 Bar & Grill. Plus you'll get membership of Pavilions Privé, a private concierge service for guests, as well as the chance to enjoy sister resorts in Niseko and Pokhara. **THE STARS:** Beyoncé (left) is a big Phuket fan. **DETAILS:** From AED6,043 [US\$1,645] per sqm; visit pavilionsresidences.com



SONEVA FUSHI PRIVATE RESIDENCES *Maldives*

THE STAY: This A-list favourite, with a star spot in the Baa Atoll UNESCO-protected Biosphere Reserve, is known for its complete discretion and privacy – it's just the visitors can't stop waxing lyrical about their trips on social media. Splash out on one of the villas and you'll not only own a piece of beachfront paradise but also get Soneva Club membership, which crucially allows exchangeability of owner days within all its properties. Wooden walkways link sections of the sprawling, fully furnished villas, all with infinity

pools, outdoor bathrooms and made using sustainable materials. Lush greenery and picture-perfect views complete the luxury package. Our favourite includes a water slide, library and gym. **THE STARS:** Naomi Harris, Nicole Scherzinger and Jodie Kidd picked this resort for their Maldivian getaway and posted Instagram shots from the beach (below). **DETAILS:** Prices for the private residences start at AED12.86million [US\$3.5million]; visit soneva.com





THE RITZ-CARLTON RESIDENCES MARRAKECH *Morocco*

THE STAY: Just 20 minutes from the heart of the Medina – yet a world away from the hustle and bustle – the 50-hectare Jnan Amar Polo Resort now plays host not just to a slew of equine fans but also discerning property tycoons and holidaymakers who've bought into the terracotta-toned five-star comforts of The Ritz-Carlton residences.

The 85 three- to five-bedroom fully serviced villas (which range in size from 529 to 826 square metres) are done up in a contemporary Berber style and all come with their own heated pools, state-of-the-art kitchens, en-suite bathrooms, and views of either the verdant polo fields or the majestic Atlas mountains.

You'll also be handed a Privilege Card with your key. Some of its perks? Ten nights at any Ritz-Carlton hotel internationally, complimentary membership of the polo club for two years and fast track at the airport. **THE STARS:** This city has always been a starry hide-out; John Paul Getty and Yves Saint Laurent were regulars in the Sixties. Nowadays, everyone from Elizabeth Hurley (left) and Poppy Delevingne to David Beckham – who celebrated his birthday here – have been lured by the exotic splendour of magical Marrakech. **DETAILS:** Villas from AED5.45million [US\$1.48million]; visit jnanamar.com, rcr-marrakech.com

SUGAR BEACH RESIDENCES *St Lucia, West Indies*

THE STAY: Always wanted to wake up with views of St Lucia's twin pitons? Then why not splurge on one of these two- to five-bedroom residences, serviced by the five-star Viceroy Resorts. You get the choice of a fully-furnished white colonial-style Caribbean home in two prime positions in the 180-acre area – on the pitons or the beachfront, both within a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

The resort's four restaurants, boutiques, rainforest spa, fishing and watersports facilities, plus endless hiking trails are minutes away, but you'll probably want to stay put, taking in the views from the floor-to-ceiling windows or your private infinity pool. **THE STARS:** Actor Matt Damon and his wife Luciana Barroso (right) are regular visitors to this West Indian island. Plus the area itself has an intriguing history; its previous owner was the Third Lord Glenconner, Colin Tennant, who had turned Mustique into a royal holiday playground, and was hoping to repeat the success with his new barefoot paradise. **DETAILS:** Villas from AED14.7million [US\$4million]; sugarbeachresidences.com





SIX SENSES RESIDENCES COURCHEVEL *France*

THE STAY: Act now and you might still be able to snap up one of the 53 three- to five-bedroom freehold apartments – or better still the luxury duplex penthouse – still on offer at the swanky Six Senses residences in snowy royal favourite Courchevel 1850.

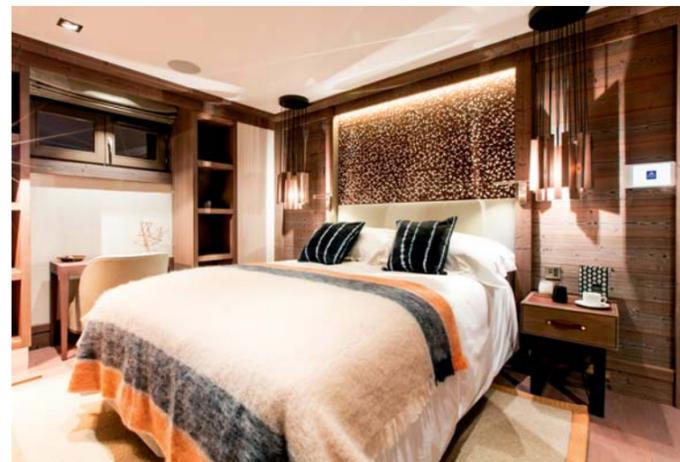
Après-ski doesn't get any more elegant than at these alpine-chic, cosy pads, that come fully-serviced and even have an on-site kids club, complimentary shuttles, ski shop, 7,500 square foot Six Senses spa (complete with indoor pool, saunas and an outdoor hot tub making this a destination in itself), a ski concierge and cabin at the foot of the slopes to store kit plus an all-day Club Lounge where you can fortify with sumptuous breakfasts or steaming cups of hot chocolate.

Combining the best of a five-star hotel with the versatility – and space – of a serviced apartment, these residences are, crucially, in the heart of

town with big name designer stores and the best fondue haunts not even a five minute walk away.

THE STARS: The Duke and Duchess of Cambridge regularly hit the slopes at Les Trois Vallées, the largest linked ski area in the world.

DETAILS: Apartments from AED6.4million [US\$1.74million]; one-courchevel.com



AMANZOE VILLAS PORTO HELI *Greece*

THE STAY: If the Aman Resorts are involved you know this is going to be a spectacular offering, which is why their fans, so-called 'Aman junkies', are flocking to invest in their own piece of the uber high-end hotel operator's Greek villa development.

This particular piece of real estate is set amidst centuries-old olive groves in Greece – within easy access to billionaires' toys such as sleek speedboats for island hopping and charter helicopters. You'll have the herb-scented Amanzoe resort's own facilities, including its trademark yoga studio, too.

Perched in the highest point of Porto Heli in the the Peloponnese peninsula, the Ed Tuttle-designed

hilltop villas are Aman's first and only European based residences – Phuket's Amanpuri was their first foray into the field – offering one- to six-bedroom estates within easy reach of the Beach Club.

From babysitters to private chefs, the residences ensure the owners every whim is catered to, combining the best of a hotel with the best of home.

THE STARS: Royals, shipping tycoons and Hollywood stars flock here. King Felipe and Queen Letizia of Spain (above left) have holidayed in this seaside spot that is about a two-and-a-half hour drive from Athens.

DETAILS: Villas of 340msq from AED13.43million [US\$3.66 million]; aman.com



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