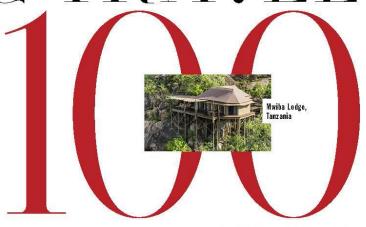


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f you're like us, just any old—or new—hotel won't do. We want to stay in a place with charm and character, excellent service, delicious food, and the kind of atmosphere that never quite lets you go. Here, published for the first time, is the T&C list of the 100 most wonderful hotels in the world, personally vetted by an exclusive roundtable of consummate travel insiders who regularly journey the world to discover the very best experiences out there.

They are all members of a highly exclusive club, Wendy Perrin's Wow List—which is harder to get into than Harvard. For more details on each, and to book with them, if you wish, go to WendyPerrin.com. Here, their specialties, in brief.

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dry months (May through September) hundreds of elephants hang out at a watering hole next to the camp—mind-blowing!" FROM \$1,444 (FOR TWO), WILDERNESS-SAFARIS COMM/RAMPS A UNIVERSE OF C. R.



SUJAN RAJMAHAL PALACE, Jaipur, India "An out-of-this-world restoration by the queen mother of Jaipur, Padmini Devi, and her favorite designer, Adil Ahmad. From funky wallpaper designs to intricately patterned fabrics, each room is more dazzling than the next." FROM \$981, SUJAN LUXURY.COM Bertie and Victoria Dyer, India Beat



RITZ-GARITON, Kyoto "The city was starved for luxury hotels before this opened, yet it's anything but a bland Western hotel. The design—an artful combination of traditional and modern Japanese elements—is as excellent as the location: right on the banks of the Kamogawa River, and a short walk from the main restaurant and entertainment area. A game changer for Kyoto." FROM \$587, RITZCARLION.COM. Duff Trimble, Wabi-Sabi Japan



AMAN, Tokyo "Aman's first urban property looks and feels like a ryokan—with traditional Japanese artwork—but it's set in a modern, minimalist building in the heart of Tokyo. It has the best views of any hotel in the city, and the best swimming pool possibly anywhere in the world." FROM SROD AMAN COM D.T.

## ROMANTIC BEACH RESORTS



AMAN SVETI STEFAN, Montenegre "It isn't the beach that draws people here, it's the chance to stay in a 15th-century island fishing village, masterfully restored as only Aman can do it. I love the new spa complex, which has a private beach in front of it. So romantic." FROM \$826. MMANRESORTS.COM. G.T.



D-HOTEL MARIS, Turkey "A hotel this size, with nearly 200 rooms, may not be everyone's idea of romance, but it's in a secluded spot—with extraordinary sea views from everywhere—and spread out enough that you can always find a quiet corner. There are five private, idyllic beaches to choose from (two don't allow young kids), and I can't think of a water sport that isn't offered." FROM \$379, DHOTEL COM.TR Earl Starkey, Sobhisticated-Travel



HOTEL ESENCIA, Mexico "The beach is spectacular, and the hotel is more secluded than almost any other on the Riviera Maya, even though it's just 25 minutes from Tulum. Now under new ownership and management, it's on track to be the very best and most intimate superluxury resort in the area."

FROM \$698, HOTELESENUA.COM Zachary Rabinor, Journey Mexico

song SAA, Cambodia "The country's first luxury private island resort—located in the practically undiscovered blue waters of the Koh Rong Archipelago—is a marvelous place for a honey moon, or to just drop out of the world." FROM \$1,840, ALL-INCLUSIVE, SONGSAA.COM Antonia Neubauer, Myths and Mountains



NORTH ISLAND, Seychelles "This is the ultimate private island resort, with just II accommodations and four equally beautiful beaches on the island. The villas are enormous—each is like something Robinson Crusoe would have built if he had had a limitless budget. One of the things I like most is that there are no set meal times or menus: You simply tell the chef what you like to eat, and he will customize food just for you. There's also 24/7 butler service from your villa attendant." FROM \$6,070, ALL-INCLUSIVE NORTH-ISLAND COM #.H.



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