

Private Paradise

Hidden treasures and faraway lands reveal some of the globe's most beautiful landscapes – to be savoured in life's more restful and quiet moments

Secluded off the coast of the dreamiest destinations, these six islands dotted around the globe elevate breathtaking landscapes with the finest in luxury accommodation. Alluring with the promise of privacy these destinations are the figments of fairy tales with romantic suites and sparkling sapphire coastlines. Each a unique time capsule of heavenly beauty, this curated

guide unlocks sublime opulence at the intersection of rich cultural histories and landmark eco sanctuaries in all corners of this wonderful globe. Fancy an all-inclusive stay in the Caribbean? Count yourself

Above: Four Seasons Bora Bora
Right (top-bottom): Seychelles Conservation sanctuary
Fregate Island, Fiji's Laucala Island and South Pacific life

in for rum tastings, at Jumby Bay Island. Prefer a garden of eden style oasis? An all-day waterfall adventure from Laucala Island might be more your style.

FOUR SEASONS BORA BORA
Awarded the Best Luxury Beach Hotel Worldwide in the Luxury Travel Advisors 2023 Awards of Excellence, Four Seasons Bora Bora sits at the heart of Polynesia's exclusive archipelago

where extraordinary experiences embellish an unforgettable luxury private island vacation curated for groups of any size. The Four Seasons offers romantic packages for couples with their picture perfect overwater bungalows. A celebratory offer allows larger groups to enhance their stay with the privacy of a two or three bedroom Beachfront Villa Estate connecting guests with the local *fenua* (earth) through vibrant landscapes and a private pool at the water's edge.

Nicknamed "The Pearl of The Pacific" Bora Bora's Tahitian Lagoon features crystal clear waters and luscious mountainscapes. Customisable excursions include exploring vibrant coral gardens with an afternoon snorkelling, diving or tropical rainforest immersion with a Polynesian guided adventure followed by an evening of private stargazing and legend telling. fourseasons.com/borabora

FREGATE ISLAND SEYCHELLES
Celebrated as an ultra exclusive hideaway, and reopening in 2025, Fregate Island remains accessible via air and sea, a 15 minute flight from Mahé or cruisy 90 minute boat ride to reach its shores.



Deeply committed to conservation, Fregate honours a truly unique ecosystem with sanctuaries for animals of the sea, sky, and sand, taking its namesake from the spectacular seabird. Prioritising sustainability, 18 indulgent villas unite traditional use of natural textures seamlessly integrating amongst the vibrant landscape with oceanside pools and unparalleled privacy.

From pirate island to private oasis, Fregate offers myriad unique dining experiences from the casual elegance of plantation style *Fregate House*, to the cultural experience of Creole night. Fancy your very own fairy-tale? The wild beauty of seven breathtaking beaches transform into private backdrops for a sunset cocktail or indulgent evening meal after a day spent surfing, snorkelling or diving the underwater oasis. fregate.com

LAUCALA ISLAND FIJI
Blurring the lines of time and space, Laucala island presents the most beautiful, personal escape from a fast-paced lifestyle.



Transcending traditional accommodation, Laucala offers 25 stand alone homes, suspended over lagoons, nestling on hilltops, rainforests or overlooking the ocean. Residences include one to three bedroom options uplifted each built in natural materials and inspired by traditional Fijian architecture.

Truly connected with the Fijian archipelago, the Tavoro Falls hike experience package includes a day trip to the Bouma National Park located on Taveuni Island, undoubtedly one of the most spectacular hikes in the Pacific. Curated for wellness, the all inclusive Shambhala Retreat reconnects guests with the "circadian rhythms of nature" with two treatment villas, vichy showers and steam rooms, a yoga pavilion and glass edge infinity pool.

Nourishing mind, body and soul the Laucala's menus continue the commitment to wellness with island-wide dining included in every stay. comohotels.com/fiji/como-laucala-island ▶



VELAA ISLAND MALDIVES

A celebration of leisure centred within the vibrant coral and sparkling waters of Noonu atoll, sits the smallest of private destinations: Velaa Island reached only via seaplane or yacht.

Celebrating romance at the heart of their accommodation, any occasion is the perfect invitation to unwind in the Indian Ocean's sweetness of seclusion. For moments in love the 'Romantic Residence' is accessible only by boat, suspended above the aqua lagoon for superior privacy. Complemented by multi-bedroom residences, private facilities allow up to ten guests to enjoy a stay reimagined by interior designer Patricia Urquiola.

Included to curate your experience, Velaa's world-class butlers are yours day and night. Experts in all-you-could-desire activities for the adrenaline junkie begin with flyboarding and hoverboarding, whilst the family can enjoy inclusive watersports and snorkelling trips to a secret

Above: Spa treatment and the wellbeing village at Velaa Island, Maldives **Top right: Relaxation with a view on Song Saa Island in Cambodia**



SONG SAA ISLAND CAMBODIA

Fragmented from Cambodia's tropical south coast, the rainforest covered island "sweethearts" remains one of the nation's best kept secrets less than an hour from the mainland. Zip across from Sihanoukville Port on a 45 minute speed boat ride to arrive at the peaceful seclusion of Song Saa dual island estate.

Beautifully diverse in accommodation, indulge in the magic of overwater accommodation or luscious jungle villa. Song Saa is the perfect place to unwind with elegant simplicity, framing world-class ocean views from every corner of the resort.

Suspended over the protected marine reserve the Royal Villa presents the ultimate overwater experience with a 33sqm private pool, in-residence dining overlooking neighbouring island Koh Bong.

Experience genuine serenity amongst Song Saa's wellness sanctuaries, including their famed night-spa set beneath the shimmering evening sky. Excite the senses with meals from the Vista bar and restaurant where meals are prepared from organic island produce and local suppliers. <https://www.oetkercollection.com/hotels/jumby-bay-island/> [songsaa-privateisland.com](https://www.songsaa-privateisland.com) ■



underwater world followed by a trip to the Maldives' only snow room within the Wellbeing Village. [velaaprivateisland.com](https://www.velaaprivateisland.com)

JUMBY BAY ISLAND ANTIGUA

Antigua is only the beginning as Jumby Bay provides a private catamaran for the 10 minute journey from the main island. Met with white sandy shores and sun-kissed turquoise waters discover an iconic landscape dotted with thatched bohios.

Known for an all-inclusive lifestyle the Jumby Bay experience promises a 'life unscripted' across a selection of 40 suites and 14 villas to soak in the inspiring blend of British Colonial

architecture and local Antiguan touches. Promising the trip of a lifetime Jumby Bay's 'nothing but the swimsuit' mantra unlocks a new meaning for the carefree Caribbean dream. Days at Jumby Bay include fine dining in the historic Estate House, or something a touch more casual at one of the resort's many alternatives boasting classic island elegance. Other inclusions comprise complimentary Drappier Brut champagne, rum tastings, Caribbean cooking demonstrations and multiple pools throughout the resort offering a shaded retreat from the Antiguan sun. <https://www.oetkercollection.com/hotels/jumby-bay-island/>