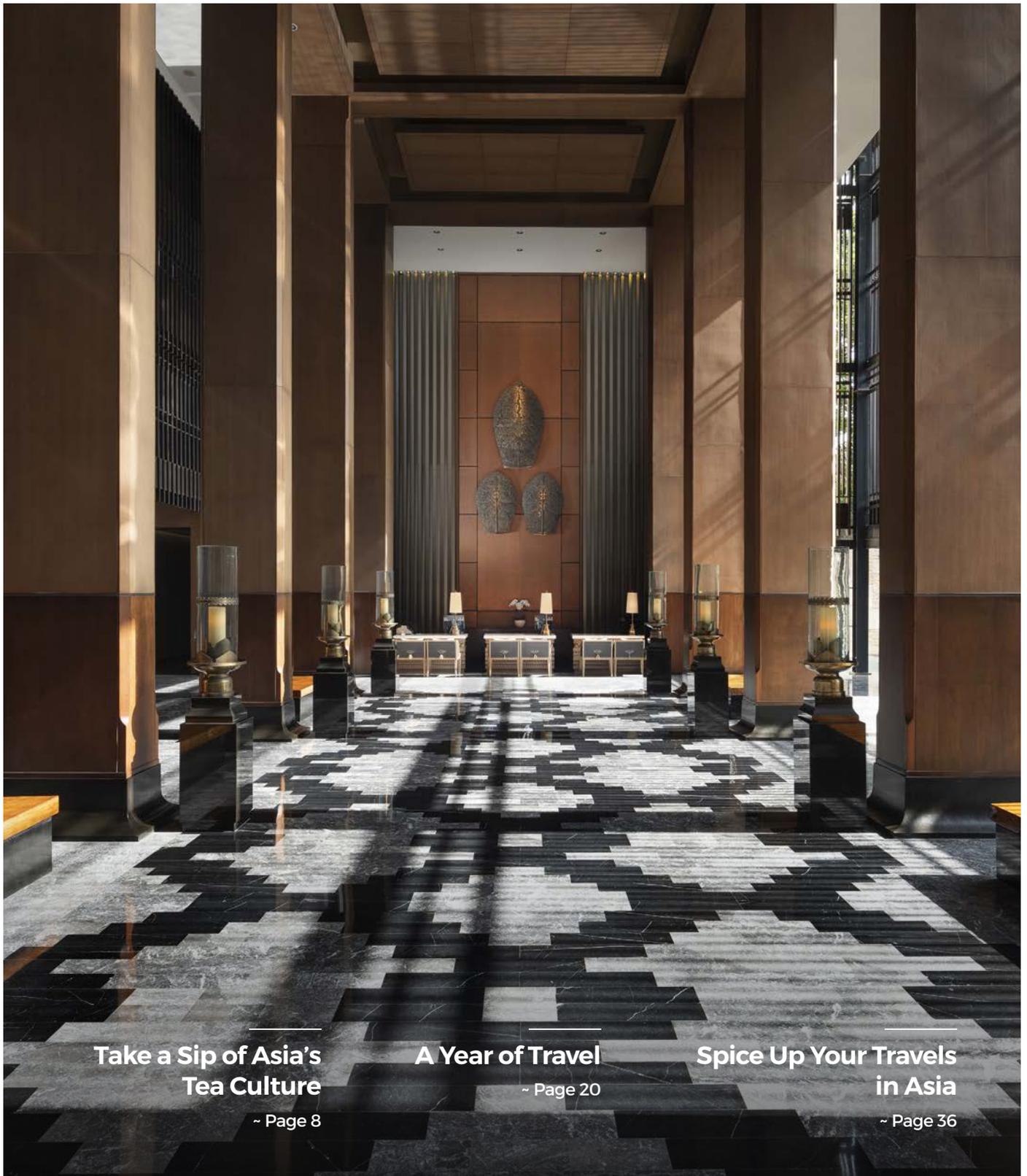


Travel Aggregator

NOVEMBER + DECEMBER 2023

WebBeds APAC Newsletter



Take a Sip of Asia's
Tea Culture

~ Page 8

A Year of Travel

~ Page 20

Spice Up Your Travels
in Asia

~ Page 36



FOREWORD

Welcome to Travel Aggregator, WebBeds' newsletter dedicated to the travel trade in Asia Pacific! This will be our final edition of 2023; a year that witnessed the rapid upswing in tourism and hospitality all across Asia Pacific.

As we look forward to another important year of travel in 2024, WebBeds has revealed a full 12 months of dazzling destinations to tick off your bucket list in the coming year. From the enchanting Arctic landscapes of Iceland to the idyllic islands of the Maldives, the cherry blossom of Tokyo to the blissful beaches of Bali, everybody can create their ultimate escape.

Do you love spicy food? Asia is home to many of the world's best cities for fiery street eats. In this edition, we reveal some of the culinary sensations that adventurous foodies should not miss on their next trip, from Sichuan's legendary hot pot to Thailand's zesty salads.

After all that spicy food, what could be better than a refreshing cup of tea to cleanse the palate? Whether you travel to China, Japan, India or Sri Lanka, we showcase the unique tea cultures that can be discovered all across Asia.

In this edition, our "Featured Hotel" is Swiss-Garden Hotel & Residences, Genting Highlands, "Newly-Opened" checks in to Best Western Premier Marvella Nha Trang, and of course, you can catch up with all the latest news, photos and exclusive offers from WebBeds in Asia Pacific.

We hope you had a highly productive 12 months and look forward to working side-by-side with you again in 2024!

Happy holidays!

KS Sun
President, Asia Pacific
WebBeds

To catch up on any past editions of Travel Aggregator, simply head to apac-marketing.webbeds.com/aggregator

ABOUT TRAVEL AGGREGATOR

Travel Aggregator is the monthly newsletter published in-house by WebBeds Asia Pacific. Created especially for our travel trade partners and clients, this informative newsletter will include the latest updates from WebBeds Asia Pacific, including our news and developments, plus exciting offers from our partners, a selection of the hottest hotel deals, and much more!

If you'd like to be featured in the next issue of Travel Aggregator, please email Travel.Aggregator@webbeds.com. Alternatively, for marketing partnerships with WebBeds Asia Pacific, please email apac.marketing@webbeds.com

WEBBEDS ASIA PACIFIC

KS SUN
President, Asia Pacific
Koksheng.Sun@webbeds.com

CYNDI NG
COO
Cyndi.Ng@webbeds.com

CHERYL CHEANG
Vice President, Marketing
Cheryl.Cheang@webbeds.com

CHUA CHUN KIAT
Vice President, Commercial Strategy
Chunkiat.Chua@webbeds.com

EILEEN TOK
Vice President, Commercial Technology
Eileen.Tok@webbeds.com

JOSEPHINE LIM
Vice President, Commercial Development
Josephine.Lim@webbeds.com

JINTANA PORNTANAPAT
General Manager, Thailand and Indochina
Jintana.Porntanapat@webbeds.com

JOHN STUCCI
Managing Director, Pacific, India & Indonesia
John.Stucci@webbeds.com

JOY HUANG
Managing Director, China
Joy.Huang@webbeds.com

JOY ZHOU
General Manager, Singapore and Malaysia
Joy.Zhou@webbeds.com

LINDA KIM
General Manager, South Korea
Linda.Kim@webbeds.com



@WebBedsAPAC



The Anvaya Beach Resort Bali



WELCOME TO HEAVEN ON EARTH

Nestled in the serene jungle north of Ubud, boasting marvelous views of the Dalem Segara temple, Hanging Gardens of Bali is a quintessential romantic luxury resort.

Unwind in the beautiful jungle-inspired villas featuring private infinity pools and unparalleled views.

Experience Balinese hospitality through fine dining at Three Elements Restaurant and soothe your senses at Spa Collection while listening to the sounds of the Ayung River.



Best Western Premier Marvella Nha Trang



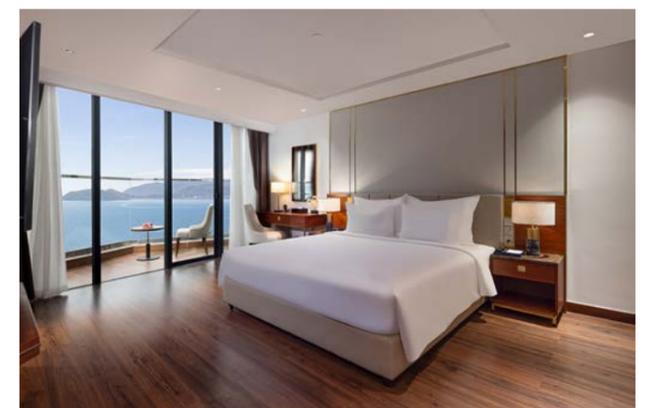
BWH Hotels, the global hotel group formerly known as Best Western, has made another foray into Vietnam's high-end hospitality sector with the opening of Best Western Premier Marvella Nha Trang, an impressive new upper-upscale hotel with world-class facilities, spectacular rooftop spaces and uninterrupted ocean views.

Perfectly positioned on the main beachfront road in Nha Trang, the popular resort town on Vietnam's south-central coast, this new hotel is surrounded by urban attractions, including shopping malls, markets, restaurants and bars, as well as being just steps from the beach.

Guests can stay in a choice of 334 rooms and suites, ranging from the spacious 31sqm Superior King or Twin Rooms to the stunning 66sqm Executive Suites, all of which come equipped with modern amenities and panoramic windows with ocean vistas. Couples will love the 52sqm Romantic Suite, which features a free-standing bathtub that overlooks the sea, and the 218sqm Presidential Suite can host up to four adults and four children.

Relaxation can be enjoyed at the Tram Spa, fitness centre, 3D golf simulator, kids' club, and rooftop infinity pool, and exceptional culinary and social experiences can be found at four restaurants and bars, including an international all-day dining destination, a 31st floor Vietnamese restaurant, a lobby lounge and Sky 32, the breath-taking rooftop bar.

The latest in BWH Hotels' growing collection of Best Western Premier hotels and resorts in Vietnam, Best Western Premier Marvella Nha Trang is successfully elevating the local hospitality scene.





MAHAINA
WELLNESS RESORT OKINAWA



Leisure Inn Pokolbin Hill is a picturesque retreat, set on 25 acres of peaceful grounds in the heart of the Hunter Valley Wine Country. With many cellar doors and attractions within easy walking distance, Leisure Inn Pokolbin Hill is in an unbeatable location. The air-conditioned accommodation options feature private patios boasting stunning views over the grounds, river, and vineyards

DISCOVER THE CHARM OF OKINAWA

Located in the Motobu area, a region blessed with a magnificent subtropical forest and a rare marine environment, Hotel Mahaina Wellness Resort Okinawa is the perfect base to explore the region's natural wonders.

Our well-appointed rooms provide a comfortable retreat after a day of adventure. Rejuvenate at our large communal rock baths, relish in diverse dining options and unwind by the pool.

Your journey to Okinawa's charm begins here.

Hotel Mahina Wellness Resorts Okinawa
1456 Yamakawa, Motobu-cho, Kunigami-gun, Okinawa, 〒905-0205
apac.sales@webbeds.com | mahaina.co.jp



Leisureinn
POKOLBIN HILL • HUNTER VALLEY

485 McDonalds Rd, Pokolbin NSW 2320, Australia
apac.sales@webbeds.com

leisureinnpokolbinhill.com.au

Take a Sip of Asia's Tea Culture

Tea is more than just a drink: it is a cultural icon which is deeply rooted in the national identity of many countries. From China's ancient ceremonies, which foster social connections, to Japan's Zen-inspired rituals, each sip tells a story. Ceylon tea embodies

Sri Lanka's pride and history, while India's chai is a symbol of warmth and community. In this article, we embark on an immersive journey into Asia's tea heritage.



☆ RECOMMENDED TEA: OOLONG

CHINA

In China, tea is deeply ingrained in culture and tradition. While this thirst-quenching drink is enjoyed at all times of day, it is especially popular during meals and social gatherings. Oolong tea, which originated in China during the Ming Dynasty, has become a way of life for local people, and tea ceremonies such as gongfu cha feature special rituals that highlight respect.



📍 WHERE TO STAY

CITY HOTEL XIAMEN

The province of Fujian in southeast China is famous for its tea production, which makes Xiamen the perfect place to visit for lovers of this exquisite beverage. Situated just 500 metres from Zhongshan Road in the heart of the city, the Minnan-style City Hotel Xiamen highlights the classical local heritage with stylish upscale rooms, a Chinese restaurant and traditional tea house.



★ RECOMMENDED TEA: MATCHA

JAPAN

Tea culture has a long history in Japan and is rooted into the national Zen Buddhist mindset, with some tea rituals even being taught in schools. The chanoyu (or “way of tea”) ceremony is a deeply spiritual and artistic practice focusing on simplicity, good manners and mindfulness. The best way to uncover this tradition first-hand is to visit an authentic tea house.



📍 WHERE TO STAY

THE JUNEI HOTEL KYOTO IMPERIAL PALACE WEST

The enchanting city of Kyoto is the perfect place to discover Japan’s tea culture. This authentic yet luxurious townhouse hotel showcases the elegance of Japanese heritage in all areas, from its eight rooms with tatami mats to its kaiseki breakfast experience. All guests are greeted with a cup of top-grade uji green tea and a private in-room tea ceremony can be arranged.



★ RECOMMENDED TEA: CEYLON TEA

SRI LANKA

Sri Lanka's tea culture is rooted in its colonial past, when the British imported tea plants from China and started cultivating the country's highlands. Ceylon tea has grown to become an iconic symbol of the country and a critical economic driver. Today, scenic tea plantations let travellers step back into a graceful bygone era, while also framing breath-taking views of Sri Lanka's countryside.



📍 WHERE TO STAY

HERITANCE TEA FACTORY

The Heritance Tea Factory puts guests in the heart of Nuwara Eliya, amid the verdant hills of central Sri Lanka. The classical rooms feature five-star furnishings and panoramic windows with views over the Hethersett Plantation, which dates from the 19th Century. Visitors can be immersed in the tea culture, with a leaf picking, tea tasting, and of course, high tea on the terrace.



★ RECOMMENDED TEA: CHAI

INDIA

Tea is an integral aspect of life in India, where the natural rolling landscapes create the perfect conditions to produce world-famous varieties such as Darjeeling and Assam. Across the country, tea is often infused with India's famous spices such as cardamom and ginger to create chai, which is sold by street vendors and shared with guests to symbolise warmth and hospitality.



📍 WHERE TO STAY

LOCKHART BUNGALOW MUNNAR, CGH EARTH

Nestled in the highlands of Kerala, close to the former British hill station of Munnar, this luxurious boutique hotel connects visitors with the local culture. Surrounded by a 1,500-acre tea estate, this is a serene setting to stay in spacious and opulent rooms, soak up the enchanting ambience and enjoy afternoon tea in the gardens. Munnar Tea Museum is just 12km away.





WebBeds

EARN UP TO
3X
FIT POINTS

MAKE IT COUNT

Carpe diem! Make the most of your year-end travels with exclusive deals of up to **71% OFF** and earn **3X FIT Points** on selected hotels.

Book by **6 December 2023** and travel by **year-end**.

[Find out more](#)

A person is seen from behind, standing in a dark cave illuminated by a bright blue glow. The person is holding a flashlight, and the light illuminates the cave walls and floor. The cave walls are covered in what appears to be ice or snow, and the overall atmosphere is mysterious and adventurous.

A Year of Travel

From the enchanting Arctic landscapes of Iceland to the exotic tropical beaches of Krabi, the pulsating energy of Los Angeles and the opulent splendour of Dubai, the world is filled with dazzling destinations that are just waiting to be explored.

Whether you want to chase the thrill of adventure, bask in peaceful seclusion, or tantalise your taste buds with gastronomic delights, WebBeds is proud to reveal our end-of-year round-up of 12 breathtaking cities and resorts around the globe that are sure to inspire a full year of adventures in 2024.



JANUARY

North Malé Atoll, Maldives

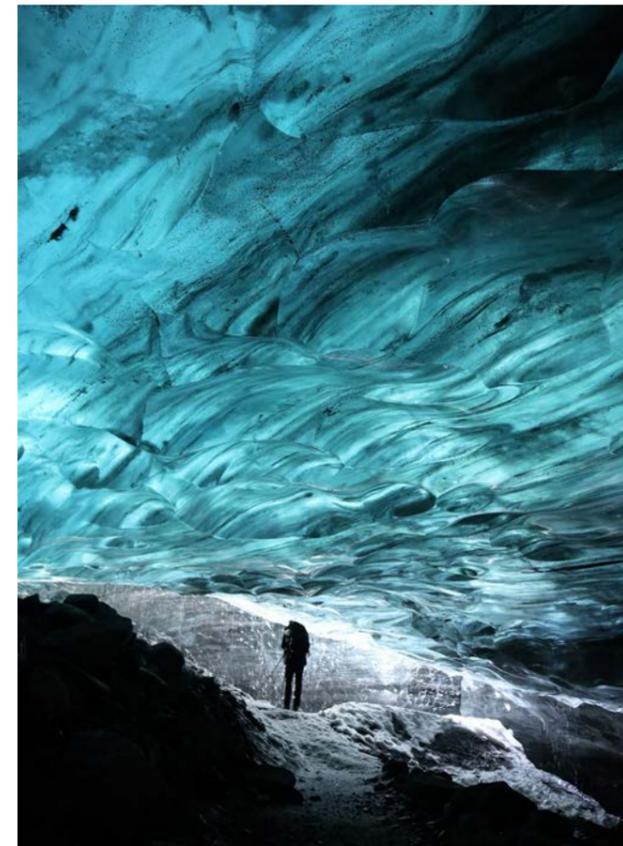
One of the world's dreamiest destinations, the Maldives' North Malé Atoll is a bucket-list entry that needs to be ticked off as early as possible! Kickstart the New Year in style with a tropical vacation in January, when the warm sunshine and low humidity create the perfect conditions for relaxing on white sandy beaches, swimming in crystal-clear waters and exploring the beauty of these idyllic islands.



WHERE TO STAY

Grand Park Kodhipparu, Maldives

Slip off your shoes and experience a barefoot island escape at this single-island luxury resort, which features a collection of beautiful beachfront pool villas, enchanting overwater villas and palatial two-bedroom villas. Be immersed in the tranquility of nature, soak up the sun by the infinity pool, enjoy fine culinary creations and discover the wonders of the azure sea, which is filled with colourful marine life.



FEBRUARY

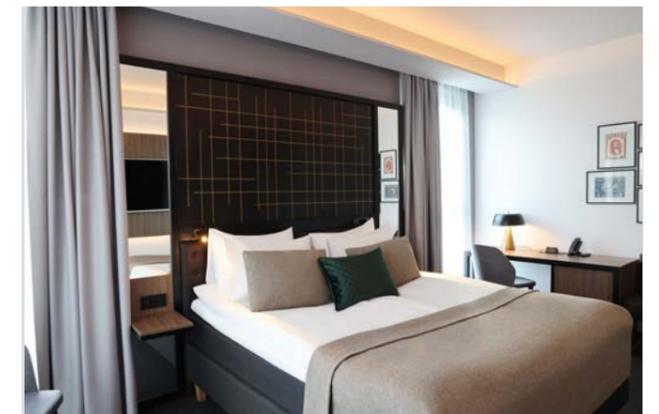
Reykjavík, Iceland

Embark on an Arctic adventure in Reykjavík at a time when the rooftops are capped with snow. Stroll through the charming city streets then head out and discover Iceland's otherworldly landscapes. Chase the hypnotic Northern Lights, marvel at crystalline ice caves, swim in the steaming Blue Lagoon and feel the adrenaline flow with exhilarating activities such as snowmobile riding and glacier hiking.

WHERE TO STAY

Hotel Reykjavík Saga

This elegant hotel is situated in the historical heart of Reykjavík, just steps away from Lake Tjörnin and Hallgrímskirkja, the iconic cathedral. Experience modern upscale design in the boutique-style rooms, all equipped with first-class amenities, savour authentic Icelandic cuisine at Fröken Reykjavík Kitchen & Bar, with its enchanting winter garden, and relax at the gym, spa, steam bath and sauna.





MARCH

Seogwipo, South Korea

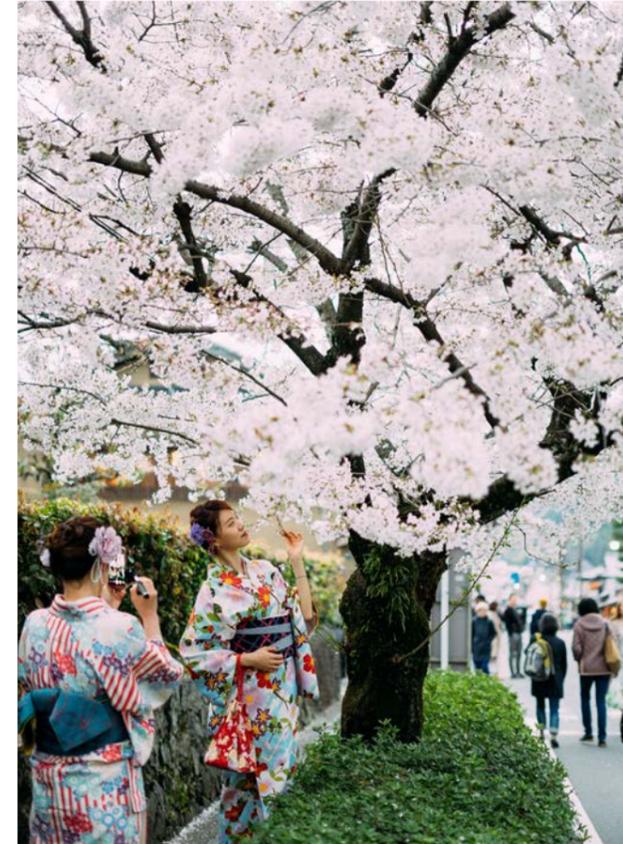
Stroll amidst the vibrant spring blossoms on the south side of Jeju Island, which is famous for its verdant landscapes and dramatic rocky coastline. Join a walking festival to celebrate the arrival of bright yellow fields of canola flowers, then head to Seogwipo Maeil Olle Market to taste local delicacies, and stroll around the galleries, restaurant and shops of Lee Joong-seop Art Museum & Culture Street.



 WHERE TO STAY

Velum Resort

Experience complete relaxation and warm hospitality at Velum Resort. A collection of beautiful villas and private houses offer between 68 and 251 square metres of living space, with private courtyards, kitchens and stunning views of the sea, sunset and Hallasan Mountain. Unwind at the onsite Café Beluga, gaze at the stunning scenery from the pool, or take a refreshing dip in the outdoor *hinoki* bath.



APRIL

Tokyo, Japan

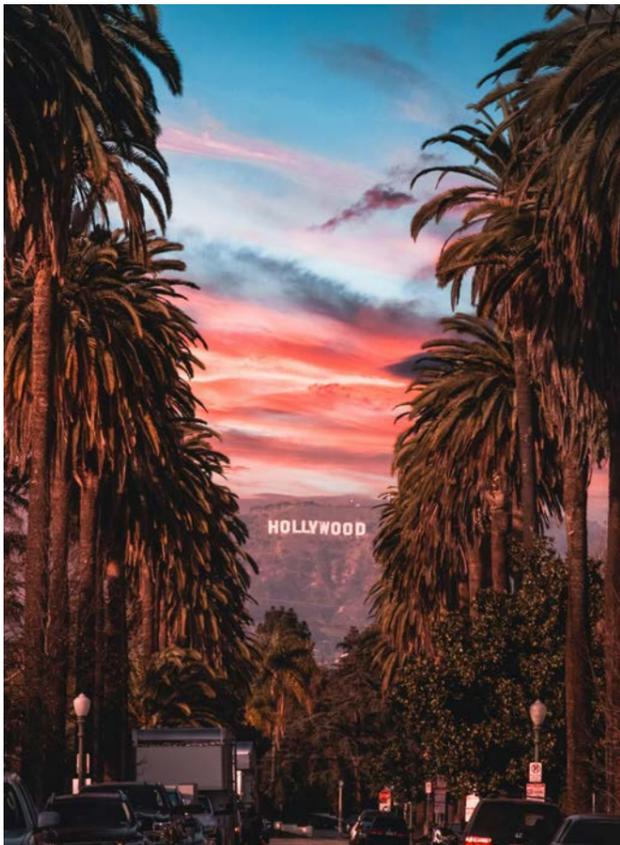
One of the most dynamic cities on Earth, Tokyo bursts into life in the springtime. Come and stroll amid the warm air, as *sakura* cherry blossom brightens up the urban parks and gardens, creating a wonderfully enchanting ambience. Culture seekers should head to Ueno Park for the traditional *hanami* festivities, visit the elegant Senso-ji Temple, and savour seasonal Japanese cuisine at local restaurants.

 WHERE TO STAY

Park Hotel Tokyo

Step into an exquisite blend of modern opulence and authentic Japanese hospitality at Park Hotel Tokyo, which is perched on the highest floors of Shiodome Media Tower. Be inspired by the unique architecture, interior design and collection of over 400 artworks. Elegantly appointed guest rooms boast expansive windows with panoramic views of Tokyo, and upscale amenities ensure complete urban indulgence.

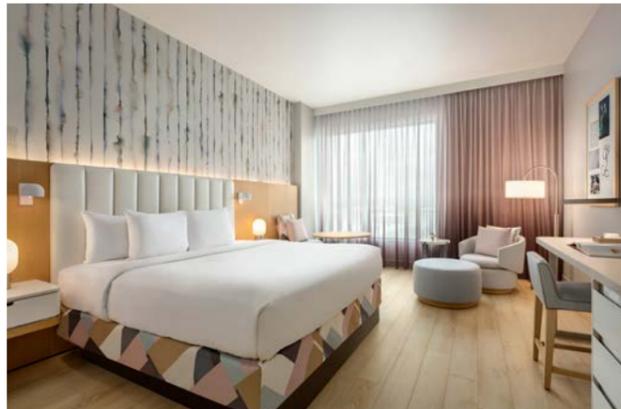
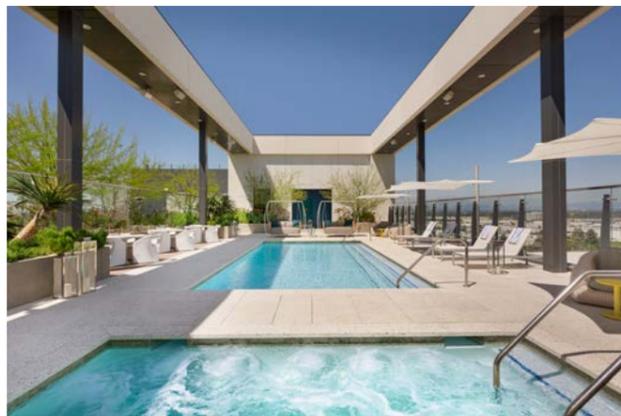




MAY

Los Angeles, USA

Get inspired in the “City of Angels” with a wealth of world-class attractions and activities. Uncover cultural gems and culinary delights from gourmet food trucks and upscale eateries. This is the best time of year for families to discover the glitz of Hollywood, lounge on Santa Monica’s beaches, or take a trip to nearby Anaheim to experience the thrilling rides and magical ambience of Disneyland.



 **WHERE TO STAY**

The Viv Hotel, Anaheim, A Tribute Portfolio Hotel

The latest addition to Marriott’s curated Tribute Portfolio, The Viv Hotel, Anaheim offers an elevated Southern Californian experience. With spacious rooms and suites, including some with bunk beds, and separate pools for adults and families, every guest can unwind in style. Enjoy authentic Spanish and Basque cuisine at Top of The V whilst gazing out over Disneyland and Anaheim’s skyline.



JUNE

Hong Kong, China

With its iconic skyline, vibrant shopping districts and rich cultural heritage, Hong Kong is a sensational summertime city that is sure to stimulate all the senses. Celebrate the Dragon Boat Festival with traditional sticky rice dumplings, scale Victoria Peak for breath-taking views of the city and harbour, and enjoy an eclectic selection of dining experiences, from Michelin-starred restaurants to local teahouses.

 **WHERE TO STAY**

EAST Hong Kong

Escape the ordinary at EAST Hong Kong, a high-style retreat which is surrounded by energising urban attractions. The bright and spacious rooms feature floor-to-ceiling windows that frame spectacular views of Victoria Harbour and Hong Kong’s sparkling skyline, while three exciting dining options, an outdoor pool, a 24/7 gym and complimentary bike rentals ensure an unforgettable stay for every guest.

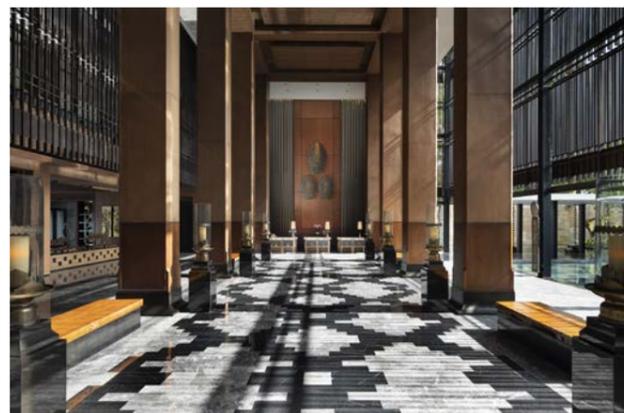




JULY

Bali, Indonesia

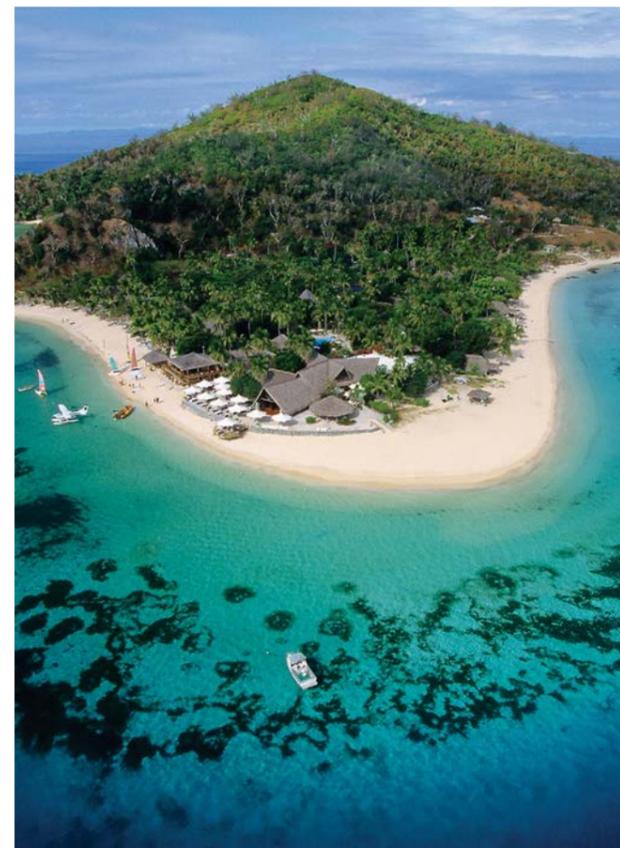
The allure of pristine beaches, lush rice terraces and captivating local culture makes Bali a fantastic destination for a mid-year break. Chill out on the beach, witness the timeless grace of traditional Balinese dance performances, embark on an adventurous trek through the volcanic landscape, and rejuvenate your senses with soothing spa treatments. Every trip to Bali is pure bliss!



 WHERE TO STAY

The Anvaya Beach Resort Bali

Nestled in the heart of Kuta, The Anvaya Beach Resort Bali extends the warmth of Balinese hospitality to every guest. With its meticulously designed rooms, suites and villas, lush tropical gardens, beachfront dining options that celebrate the island's authentic flavours, and a tranquil pool for rejuvenating dips, every visitor will be immersed in the exotic ambience of the "Island of the Gods."



AUGUST

Qalito Island, Fiji

Fiji's Qalito Island sets the scene for unforgettable tropical getaways - a vivid tapestry of turquoise waters, palm-fringed beaches and verdant landscapes. From snorkelling on coral reefs to trekking through lush rainforests, meeting friendly people and savouring fresh tropical flavours, including local seafood, every visitor will be captivated by the charm and beauty of this idyllic Pacific island.

 WHERE TO STAY

Castaway Island, Fiji

A luxurious and adventurous retreat amid Fiji's natural wonders, Castaway Island offers exclusive experiences including excursions to nearby islands and reefs, diving at the PADI Gold Palm dive center, dolphin safaris, water sports and village visits, while the kids' club integrates Fijian culture into its nature-inspired activities. This private island paradise guarantees vacations that rise above the ordinary.





SEPTEMBER

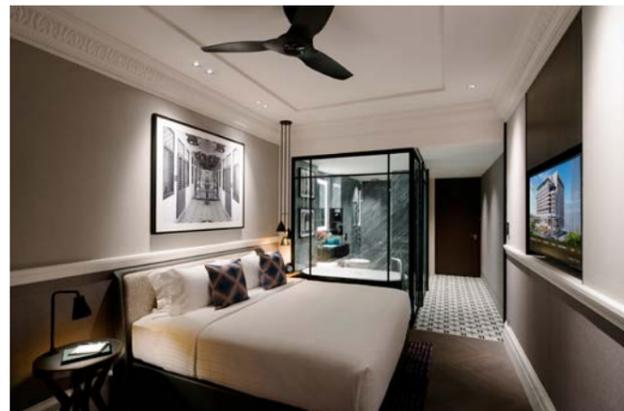
Singapore

One of the cleanest, greenest and most modern countries on Earth, the city state of Singapore packs a lot into a small area. Explore the iconic attractions of Marina Bay and the soaring downtown skyscrapers, then delve into the city's rich cultural heritage in the Civic District, Chinatown, Kampong Gelam and Little India. Feeling hungry? Taste an amazing array of local flavours at Singapore's famous hawker centres.

 **WHERE TO STAY**

Grand Park City Hall

Perfectly positioned in the heart of the city, close to lively Clarke Quay and surrounded by attractions, Grand Park City Hall is a luxurious heritage hotel that exudes sophistication. Guests can enjoy comfortable stays with spacious and well-appointed rooms, taste modern cuisine at Tablescape Restaurant, unwind in the outdoor pool, or go shopping in the nearby Raffles City and Capitol Piazza.



OCTOBER

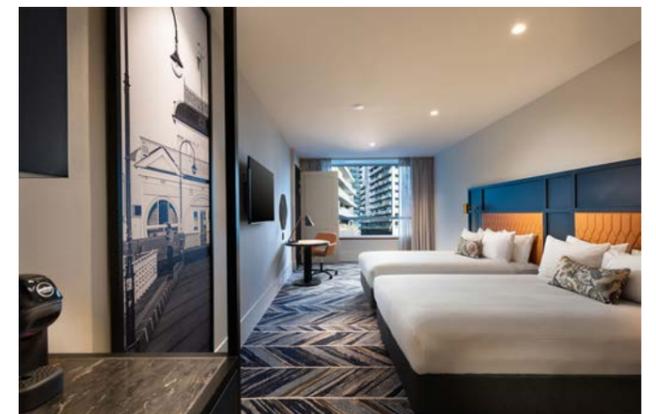
Melbourne, Australia

Melbourne is one of the world's great outdoor cities and the Southern Hemisphere spring is the ideal time to explore its vibrant streets. Delve into the hidden laneways adorned with street art, grab a coffee in one of the city's many cool cafés, stroll along the Yarra River waterfront, or get in the car and take a scenic drive along the Great Ocean Road. Melbourne is an essential city for every traveller!

 **WHERE TO STAY**

Dorsett Melbourne

Nestled in Melbourne's lively West Side Place, Dorsett Melbourne offers a collection of stylish rooms and suites, a heated indoor pool, a soothing spa, and a fitness centre with Technogym equipment to take care of mind, body and soul. Sip cocktails at Jin Bar and savour local cuisine at Port Bistro. Then head out and uncover this exciting city - Little Collins Street and Flinders Street are just a stone's throw away.





NOVEMBER

Krabi, Thailand

November is a wonderful time to visit Krabi. After the end of the summer rains, this exotic province bursts into life with verdant forests and colourful flowers. Travellers can discover the lush landscapes of Thang Teao Forest National Park, which is famous for its waterfalls and emerald pools, or head out into the stunning seascape, amid soaring limestone karsts, pristine beaches and colourful coral reefs.



WHERE TO STAY

Twin Lotus Resort & Spa

With its exclusive adults-only concept, Twin Lotus Resort & Spa is a romantic retreat where couples can come and immerse their senses in the tropical beauty of Koh Lanta, one of Krabi's most idyllic islands. Stay in Thai-inspired rooms and villas, stroll along the 3km Klong Dao Beach, experience complete rejuvenation at Bualuang Spa, and enjoy delicious local cuisine at the beachfront Buafah Restaurant.



DECEMBER

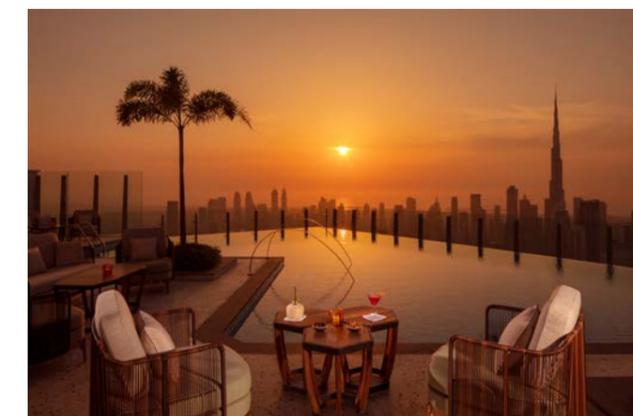
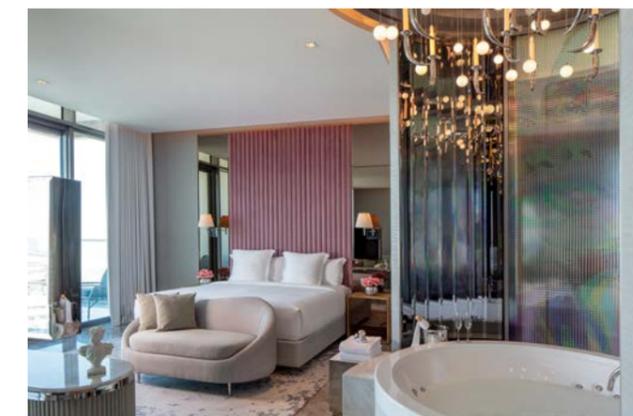
Dubai, UAE

Get into the festive spirit in Dubai, which delivers a dazzling display of modern luxury and rich cultural heritage. Marvel at iconic landmarks like Burj Khalifa, the Dubai Frame and so many more, embrace the desert landscape with exhilarating safari tours, check out the city's art and cultural scene at the Dubai Opera and the historic Al Fahidi district, and finish your Christmas shopping at the Mall of the Emirates.

WHERE TO STAY

SLS Dubai Hotel & Residences

Standing proud as one of the tallest properties in the region, SLS Dubai Hotel & Residences promises unobstructed views of the iconic Burj Khalifa from the heart of Dubai's vibrant downtown district. Stay in designer rooms and suites, take a dip in the world's highest swimming pools, be soothed in the spa and dine at Michelin-rated restaurants, including the 70th floor Fi'lia and 75th floor rooftop bar.



CAN'T WAIT TO
WINTER
#InAbuDhabi



visitabudhabi.ae

experience
abu dhabi



agora
tokyo
ginza



SATEI : A place to experience the town spirit.
A place to discover your inner sense of "IKI" (Japanese aesthetics)

Agora Tokyo Ginza

Nestled in iconic Ginza, the birthplace of fashion, Agora Tokyo Ginza is a "SATEI" residence that welcomes guests with the hospitality of Japanese tea ceremony. Embark on an exclusive journey to discover the essence of "IKI", the quintessential Japanese aesthetic embodying the unyielding spirit of progression and excellence. Traverse captivating cityscapes that seamlessly intersect with the nostalgic atmosphere from the Edo period, promising a truly immersive experience.

5-14-7 Ginza, Chuo-ku, Tokyo, 104-0061 Japan
Tel: +81-3-6809-2238 E-mail: apac.sales@webbeds.com
www.agora-ginza.com



Agora Hotel Alliance
www.agora.jp

TOKYO Agora Tokyo Ginza | Agora Place Tokyo Asakusa | ONE@Tokyo | TSUKI Tokyo
KYOTO Agora Kyoto Shijo | Agora Kyoto Karasuma
OSAKA Hotel Agora Regency Osaka Sakai | Hotel Agora Osaka Moriguchi | Agora Place Osaka Namba



Spice Up Your Travels in Asia

Take your taste buds on a mouth-watering tour of Asia's most vibrant cities! From the fiery street food of Bangkok to the zesty flavours of Chengdu, adventurous foodies have an almost endless array of culinary sensations to explore. Wherever you choose to travel, don't miss the spicy local dishes that will connect you to the authentic culture of your destination.

Chengdu, China

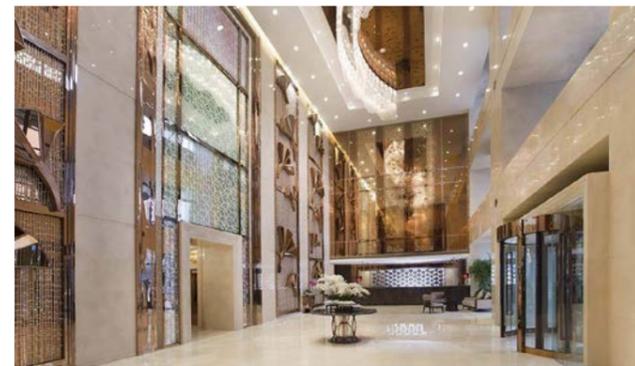
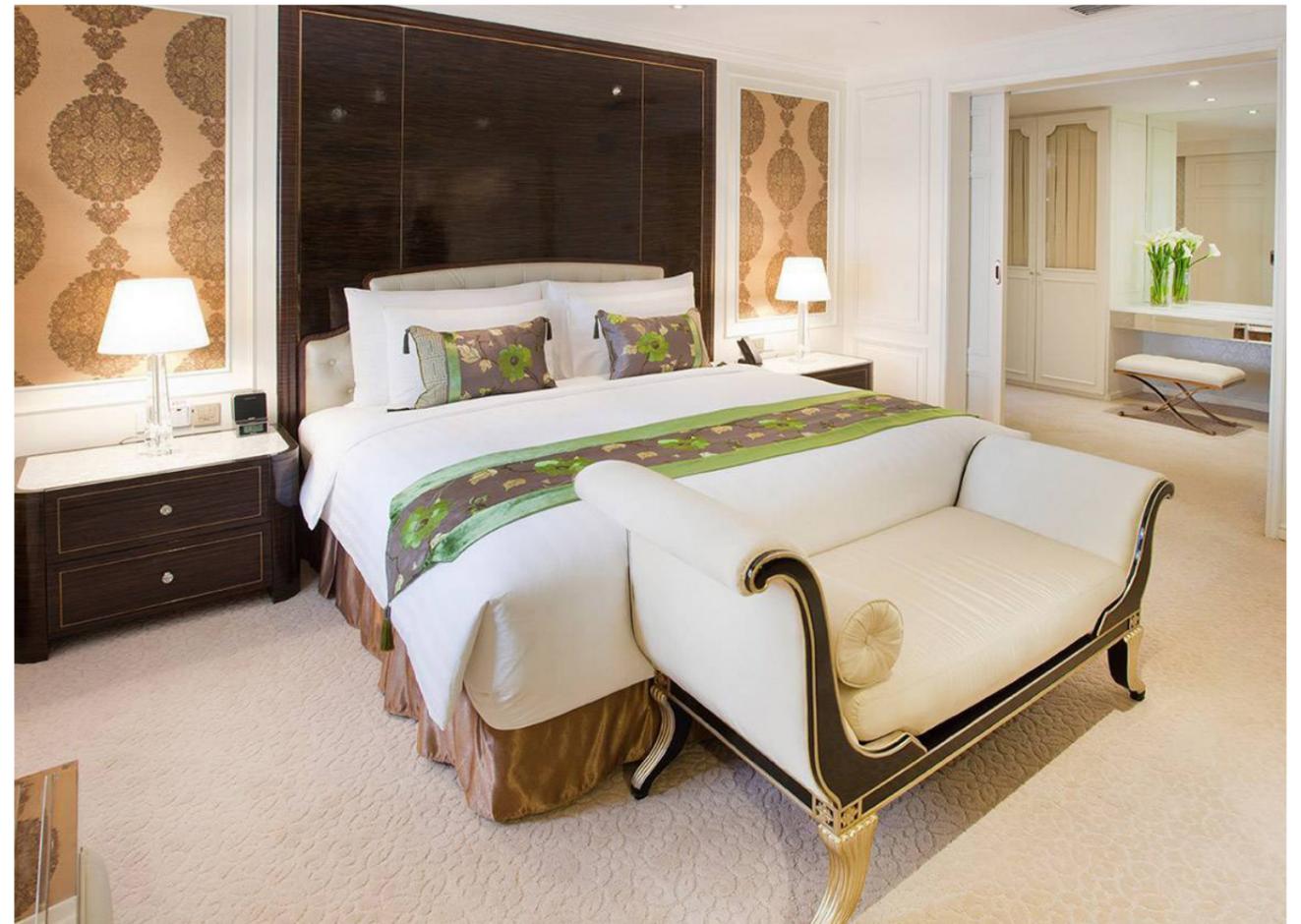
Sichuan cuisine is highly sought-after for its "ma-la" flavour – the unique prickly heat imparted by Sichuan peppercorns. This numbing sensation can be an acquired taste, but for discerning gastronomic globetrotters, Chengdu is one of the world's most exciting culinary destinations.



★ WHAT TO EAT

HOT POT

Warm, spicy and comforting, Sichuan hot pot is an unmissable dish. This sublime stew can be made using meat, offal, seafood or tofu, all soaked in that famous fiery broth.



📍 WHERE TO STAY

DORSETT CHENGDU

Perfectly positioned next to Chunxi Road, the bustling shopping street, Dorsett Chengdu showcases the past and present of this thriving city – including its fantastic food. Stay in spacious and contemporary rooms or suites and dine at a selection of restaurants, including signature Sichuan options. The city's famous Shu Da Xia Hot Pot Restaurant is only about three minutes' walk away.

Bangkok, Thailand

In Thai cooking, four sensations come together to produce the vibrant flavours that are so beloved by diners around the world. The secret is to find that precise combination of spicy, sweet, sour and salty to craft a wonderfully balanced and moreish dish.

★ WHAT TO EAT

SOM TAM

Som tam is like no salad you've ever tasted before! Shredded green papaya, beans and tomatoes are laced with red chilis for a serious kick and topped with peanuts for extra crunch.



📍 WHERE TO STAY

CENTARA GRAND AT CENTRALWORLD

A landmark in the commercial centre of Bangkok, this soaring hotel puts you in the heart of the action, with stylish rooms and stunning city views. Head out and discover the city's iconic street food stalls, or rise up to the 55th floor to enjoy the finest cuisine at Red Sky, the rooftop restaurant, and CRU Champagne Bar, one of the city's highest alfresco lounges.

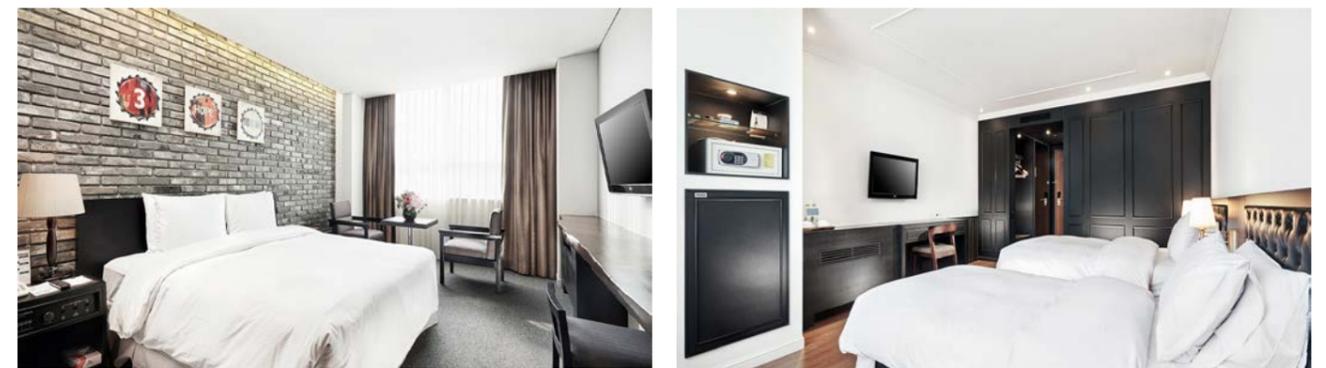
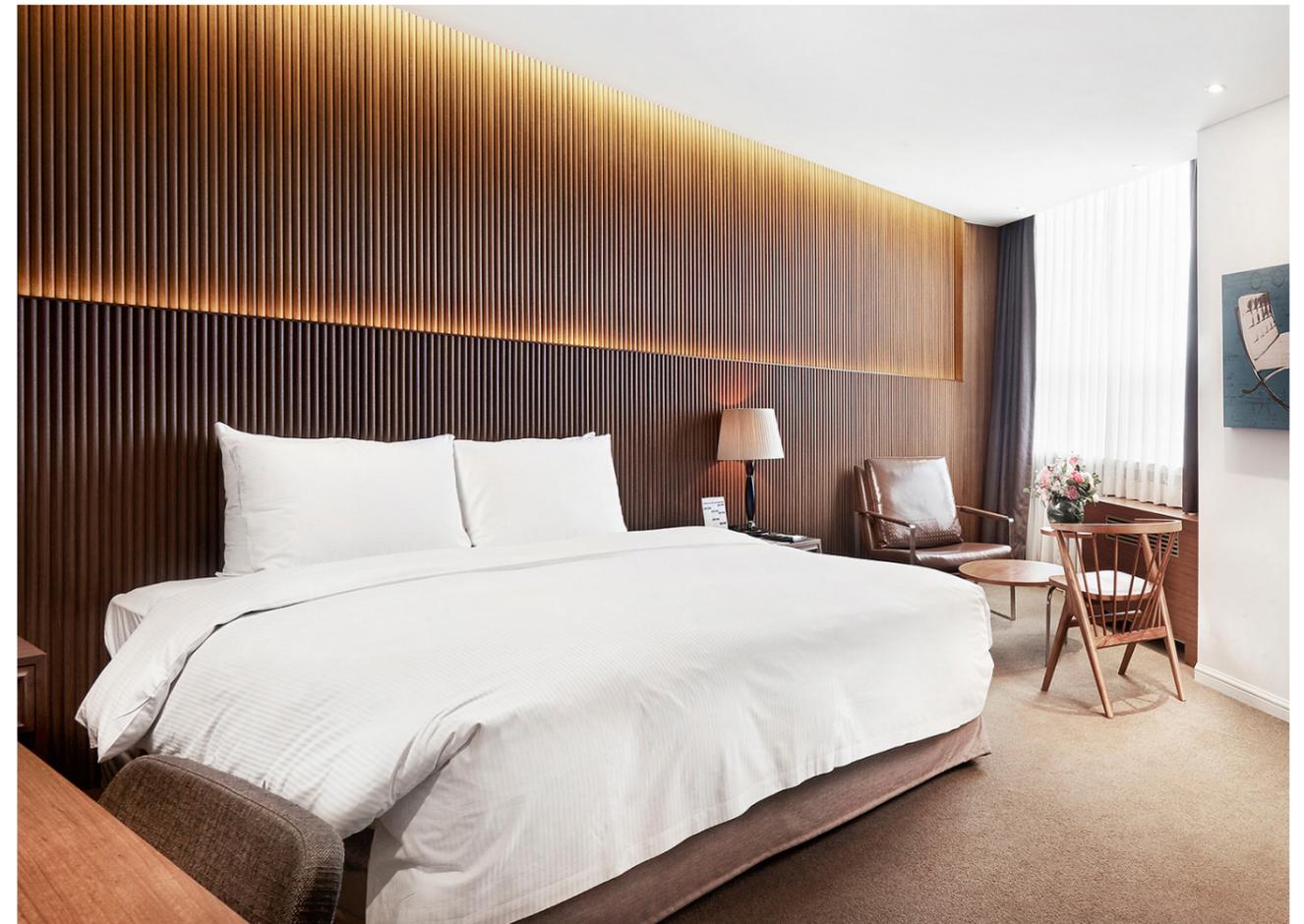
Seoul, South Korea

Korean cuisine is favoured for its spicy and tangy flavours. The national culinary tradition of fermentation, most famously found in kimchi, provides a unique sensation while traditional chili flakes (gochugaru) and chili paste (gochujang) impart a red-hot edge.

★ WHAT TO EAT

NAKJI-BOKKEUM

Head to Seoul's Mugyo-dong district for this traditional dish of stir-fried octopus and vegetables, marinated in spicy gochujang and gochugaru.



📍 WHERE TO STAY

PRESIDENT HOTEL

This iconic high-rise hotel has been welcoming travellers to the centre of Seoul for the last 50 years. Stay in spacious upscale rooms with views of Namsan Mountain and discover authentic Korean cuisine at Jumbo, the onsite restaurant which features sizzling hot plates, or Japanese delicacies at VIP Tuna. The fitness centre is fully equipped for invigorating workouts.

Lombok, Indonesia

The exotic islands of Indonesia are home to many of the world's most fragrant spices, which have attracted traders and travellers from around the world throughout history. Head to the enchanting volcanic isle of Lombok for nutmeg, cloves, cinnamon and so much more.

★ WHAT TO EAT

AYAM TALIWANG

Grilled chicken is elevated to amazing new levels in Lombok! The fresh meat is marinated in a lively blend of garlic, chili and shrimp paste before being cooked to perfection over wood or coals.



📍 WHERE TO STAY

ROYAL AVILA BOUTIQUE RESORT

Surrounded by 2.5 hectares of tropical gardens on Lombok's north coast, this elegant all-suite resort is perched on a verdant hill and frames panoramic sea views from every angle. Take part in a wide range of lifestyle experiences, such as sunrise yoga classes, Zumba sessions and Indonesian dance lessons, be soothed at the spa, and savour outstanding cuisine at Olive Bar & Restaurant.

★ Featured Hotel of the Month



SWISS-GARDEN HOTEL & RESIDENCES, GENTING HIGHLANDS

Nestled in the jungle-clad, mist-shrouded hills of the Genting Highlands, Malaysia, this five-star hotel is the perfect place to unwind and soak up the natural wonders of this evocative region.

The striking modern architecture of the hotel, with its floor-to-ceiling windows and elevated leisure spaces, allows guests to admire panoramic views of the rolling mountains from every angle. A total of 561 contemporary rooms, suites and two-bedroom residences promise plenty of space to unwind in comfort, while the Garden Terrace restaurant offers local and international cuisine with indoor and alfresco seating options.



What truly makes Swiss-Garden Hotel & Residences, Genting Highlands rise above the crowds however, are its extensive leisure facilities. Active travellers can play tennis or squash, work out in style in a vast fitness centre, with unparalleled highland vistas, or swim in a choice of shimmering pools, including a dramatic rooftop pool. The sauna, outdoor whirlpools and games room offer myriad ways to relax, and children will be thrilled at the outdoor playground.

With such a spectacular setting and beautiful backdrop, within easy reach of Kuala Lumpur and just moments from the designer outlets and theme parks of the Genting Highlands, it is little wonder that this hotel is popular for out-of-town events and one-of-a-kind weddings.

For guests who want to escape the city and elevate their mountain retreat with five-star facilities and world-class service, Swiss-Garden Hotel & Residences, Genting Highlands is an outstanding option.



WebBeds

INSIDER

Stay Informed & Have Fun



Spin the wheel daily to accumulate chances to win **5,000 FIT Points** each month.



Get inspired with regular updates of the latest news, insights and more.



Answer a simple quiz about the monthly featured hotel and stand to win a **2-night stay**.

[Find out more](#)