

# Bali Luxury Mid-Range Relaxation Vacation Research

*Compiled for June 2025 Trip with \$10,000 Budget*

## Accommodations

### Ubud (Cultural Heart of Bali)

1. **Bisma Eight - CHSE Certified**
  - **Price Range:** \$150-\$250 per night
  - **Amenities:** Rooftop restaurant, outdoor infinity pool, free WiFi, modern suites
  - **Highlights:** Stylish design, rooftop dining, central location near Ubud's attractions
  - **Rating:** 9.1/10
  - More Information
2. **Weda Cita Resort and Spa by Mahaputra**
  - **Price Range:** \$100-\$180 per night
  - **Amenities:** Outdoor pool, garden, restaurant, spa, comfortable rooms
  - **Highlights:** Boutique charm, proximity to Monkey Forest, lush gardens
  - **Rating:** 9.1/10
  - More Information

### Seminyak (Trendy Beachside Area)

1. **The Seminyak Beach Resort & Spa**
  - **Price Range:** \$180-\$350 per night
  - **Amenities:** Spa, outdoor pools, beachfront access, modern rooms
  - **Highlights:** Direct beach access, infinity pools overlooking the ocean, elegant design
  - **Location:** Prime beachfront in Seminyak
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2. **W Bali - Seminyak**
  - **Price Range:** \$250-\$450 per night
  - **Amenities:** Trendy design, infinity pools, wellness center, nightlife access
  - **Highlights:** Contemporary luxury, vibrant atmosphere, excellent dining options
  - **Location:** Beachfront in Seminyak
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### Nusa Dua (Resort Area)

1. **The Westin Resort Nusa Dua**

- **Price Range:** \$200-\$350 per night
  - **Amenities:** Large pools, kids' club, spa, multiple restaurants
  - **Highlights:** Family-friendly, extensive facilities, private beach area
  - **Location:** Nusa Dua beach area
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2. **The Laguna, a Luxury Collection Resort & Spa**
- **Price Range:** \$300-\$500 per night
  - **Amenities:** Lagoon pools, spa, golf course, family activities
  - **Highlights:** Seven lagoon pools, tropical gardens, luxury amenities
  - **Location:** Nusa Dua beachfront
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## Spas and Wellness

1. **Fivelements Bali**
- **Signature Treatments:** Sakti Ritual, Coconut Harmony Oil Massage, Balinese Body Wrap
  - **Price Range:** \$55+ for Bathing Ritual, \$105+ for 90-minute Coconut Harmony Massage
  - **Highlights:** Eco-conscious retreat blending Balinese healing rituals with modern wellness
  - **Location:** Mambal, near Ubud
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2. **Maya Ubud Spa**
- **Signature Treatments:** Maya Massage, Oxygen Facial, Riverside Spa Packages
  - **Price Range:** \$67+ for Balinese massage, \$68+ for body scrubs
  - **Highlights:** Jungle setting, riverside relaxation pavilions, organic treatments
  - **Location:** Ubud
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3. **Raffles Spa, Bali**
- **Signature Treatments:** Traditional Balinese treatments, Raffles Romance, Rasayana Detox Body Buff
  - **Price Range:** Starting from \$165 for treatments like Hot Stone Massage
  - **Highlights:** Luxurious treatment suites with hillside views, private soaking tubs
  - **Location:** Jimbaran
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4. **Mandala Spa Ubud**
- **Signature Treatments:** Calming Remedy (60 mins), Mom To Be Prenatal Massage
  - **Price Range:** Approximately \$23+ for a 30-minute massage
  - **Highlights:** Contemporary jungle setting, handcrafted essential oils, holistic therapies

- **Location:** Ubud
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5. **Cocoon Medical Spa**
    - **Signature Treatments:** Advanced cosmetic and anti-aging treatments, signature massages
    - **Price Range:** Starting at \$30 for a 60-minute Signature Massage
    - **Highlights:** Medical-grade aesthetic treatments, expert Indonesian doctors
    - **Location:** Seminyak
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## Beaches

1. **Melasti Beach**
  - **Facilities:** Beach clubs, cafes, toilets, showers, sunbeds
  - **Access:** Very easy, with parking right next to the beach
  - **Highlights:** Calm reef break suitable for swimming, family-friendly, great for relaxing
  - **Best Time to Visit:** April-October (dry season), early morning or late afternoon
  - **Additional:** Close to luxury beach clubs like Sundays and Karma Beach
  - **Location:** Ungasan, South Bali
2. **Dreamland Beach**
  - **Facilities:** Toilets, showers, warungs (local eateries), beach clubs
  - **Access:** Easy, with parking nearby
  - **Highlights:** Gentle waves suitable for beginners, perfect for sunset viewing
  - **Best Time to Visit:** April-October, especially for sunset (5-6:30 PM)
  - **Location:** Pecatu, South Bali
3. **Nyang Nyang Beach**
  - **Facilities:** Limited, with a couple of small shacks; donation-based entry
  - **Access:** Difficult, requiring a steep walk down a winding path
  - **Highlights:** Quiet, scenic, and ideal for beach glamping at the Bubble Hotel
  - **Best Time to Visit:** Dry season (April-October), midday for swimming
  - **Location:** Uluwatu, South Bali
4. **Nunggalan Beach**
  - **Facilities:** Limited, with only a few small shacks and sunbeds available
  - **Access:** Difficult, requiring a trek down cliffs, which deters crowds
  - **Highlights:** Pristine white sand, turquoise waters, and a famous shipwreck for photos

- **Best Time to Visit:** Dry season (April-October), morning for photography
  - **Location:** Uluwatu, South Bali
5. **Karma Beach**
- **Facilities:** Full-service beach club, restaurant, bar, water sports equipment
  - **Access:** Cable car access through Karma Kandara Resort
  - **Highlights:** Exclusive atmosphere, crystal clear waters, luxury amenities
  - **Best Time to Visit:** April-October, weekdays to avoid crowds
  - **Price:** Beach club access approximately \$30-40 (includes credit for food/drinks)
  - **Location:** Ungasan, South Bali

## Tours and Activities

1. **Private Sunset Cruise**
  - **Duration:** 2-4 hours
  - **Price Range:** \$370-\$1,220 (depending on boat type and group size)
  - **Includes:** Snacks, snorkeling equipment, soft drinks, private crew
  - **Highlights:** Scenic views of Bali's coastline, optional snorkeling, sunset views
  - **Booking:** Ocean Earth Travels
2. **Bali Hai Sunset Dinner Cruise**
  - **Duration:** 3-4 hours
  - **Price Range:** \$87-\$103 per person
  - **Includes:** Dinner buffet, live entertainment, sunset views
  - **Highlights:** International buffet dinner, cabaret show, live music
  - **Booking:** Viator
3. **Ubud Cultural Tour**
  - **Duration:** Full day (8-9 hours)
  - **Price Range:** \$45-\$80 per person
  - **Includes:** Transportation, guide, entrance fees
  - **Highlights:** Rice terraces, temples, traditional villages, art markets
  - **Booking:** GetYourGuide
4. **Balinese Spa Package with Sunset Experience**
  - **Duration:** 4-5 hours
  - **Price Range:** \$80-\$120 per person
  - **Includes:** 2-hour spa treatment, sunset viewing at a scenic location
  - **Highlights:** Massage, scrub, flower bath, and ginger tea followed by sunset
  - **Booking:** Veronikasadventure
5. **Nusa Penida Island Tour**
  - **Duration:** Full day (8-10 hours)
  - **Price Range:** \$68-\$129 per person
  - **Includes:** Boat transfers, land transportation, guide, lunch

- **Highlights:** Kelingking Beach, Angel's Billabong, Crystal Bay
- **Booking:** Available through most tour operators and hotels

## Restaurants

1. **Mozaic (Ubud)**
  - **Cuisine:** French-Balinese fusion
  - **Signature Dishes:** Dry-aged duck breast, tasting menus with seasonal ingredients
  - **Price Range:** \$80-\$167 per person
  - **Highlights:** Romantic garden setting, innovative cuisine
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2. **Syrco BASE (Ubud)**
  - **Cuisine:** Modern Indonesian
  - **Signature Dishes:** 8-course tasting menu with local ingredients, mackerel with Sulawesi sambal
  - **Price Range:** \$110-\$140 per person
  - **Highlights:** Michelin-trained chef, intimate setting
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3. **Locavore NXT (Ubud)**
  - **Cuisine:** Experimental Indonesian
  - **Signature Dishes:** Rice koji porridge, sea urchin with cassava noodles
  - **Price Range:** \$100-\$133 per person
  - **Highlights:** Farm-to-table philosophy, experimental fermentation
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4. **Kubu Restaurant (Ubud)**
  - **Cuisine:** Mediterranean-European
  - **Signature Dishes:** Degustation menu with seasonal ingredients
  - **Price Range:** \$80-\$120 per person
  - **Highlights:** Bamboo structure, river views
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5. **Mauri (Seminyak)**
  - **Cuisine:** Italian-inspired
  - **Signature Dishes:** Tasting menus featuring pasta, seafood, and local ingredients
  - **Price Range:** \$67-\$133 per person
  - **Highlights:** Rooftop hydroponic garden, modern interiors
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6. **The Cave (Uluwatu)**
  - **Cuisine:** Modern gastronomy
  - **Signature Dishes:** Multi-course tasting menus
  - **Price Range:** \$80-\$150 per person
  - **Highlights:** Unique underground cave setting, light shows
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7. **Room4Dessert (Ubud)**

- **Cuisine:** Innovative desserts
  - **Signature Dishes:** Decadent pastries, petits fours paired with cocktails
  - **Price Range:** \$50-\$80 per person
  - **Highlights:** Unique pastry creations, garden ingredients
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8. **Herbivore (Ubud)**
- **Cuisine:** Plant-based, healthy
  - **Signature Dishes:** Vegan bowls, smoothies, creative salads
  - **Price Range:** \$17-\$47 per person
  - **Highlights:** Organic ingredients, sustainable focus
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## Transportation

### Private Driver Options

1. **Full-Day Private Driver**
  - **Cost:** \$35-\$100 per day (10 hours)
  - **Includes:** Fuel, parking, driver's services
  - **Vehicle Types:** Toyota Avanza, Innova (standard), Alphard (luxury)
  - **Benefits:** Flexibility to create your own itinerary, local knowledge, no need to navigate
  - **Booking:** Through hotels or services like Bali Holiday Secrets
2. **Half-Day Private Driver**
  - **Cost:** \$25-\$90 (6 hours)
  - **Includes:** Fuel, parking fees
  - **Best For:** Exploring a single area or shorter excursions
  - **Booking:** Through hotels or online services

### Taxi Services

1. **Metered Taxis**
  - **Base Fare:** Approximately \$0.50
  - **Per km charge:** About \$0.40
  - **Waiting Time:** Around \$3.50 per hour
  - **Sample Routes:**
    - Airport to Kuta: ~\$35
    - Airport to Ubud: ~\$32
  - **Notes:** Blue Bird Group is the most reliable metered taxi company
2. **Ride-Hailing Apps**
  - **Services:** Grab, Gojek
  - **Cost:** Generally 10-20% cheaper than metered taxis
  - **Availability:** May have restrictions in certain tourist areas
  - **Benefits:** Fixed price shown before booking, cashless payment options

## Car Rental

### 1. Self-Drive Options

- **Standard Car:** \$20-\$40 per day
- **Luxury/Larger Vehicles:** \$55-\$100 per day
- **Additional Costs:** Fuel, tolls, parking, insurance
- **Requirements:** International Driving Permit required
- **Considerations:** Traffic can be challenging; driving is on the left side

### 2. Long-Term Rentals

- **Monthly Car with Driver:** \$800-\$1,200
- **Benefits:** Cost savings for extended stays, consistent service
- **Booking:** Negotiate directly with drivers or through agencies

## Transportation Tips

- For day trips between regions (e.g., Ubud to Seminyak), a private driver is most convenient
- For short trips within the same area, taxis or ride-sharing apps are more economical
- Traffic can be heavy, especially in popular tourist areas and during peak hours
- Book airport transfers in advance to avoid hassle upon arrival
- Consider staying in different regions of Bali to minimize daily travel time