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## Hanging Gardens Ubud

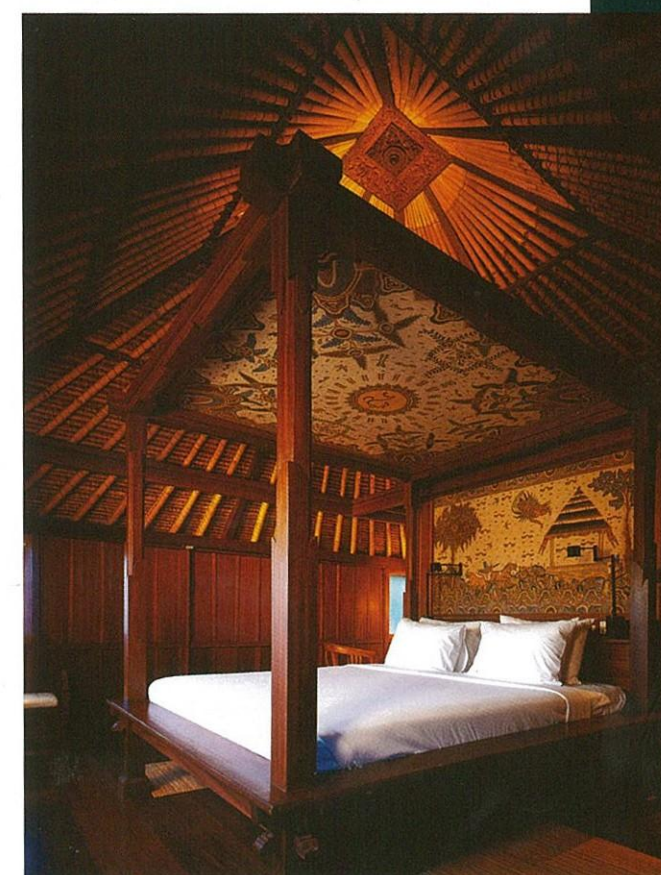
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A sea of trees surrounds the 3.2 ha resort, which has 38 villas that are all constructed in contemporary Balinese design and are situated in a steep 45-degree angled hillside, which give resort its name. The guest experience starts with a trip down to the resort using one of its two funiculars, with the first funicular going from reception to the villas and the second funicular from the bar to the riverside to reach its café and spa area. The split-level infinity pool near the bar and restaurant is the main charm of the resort. One remarkable feature is the mist coming off the valley surrounding the resort early in the morning, giving the impression of floating in a cloud. Two recommended units are the 160 sqm panoramic villa suites.

## Amandari

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The second Aman resort and the first in Bali, Amandari remains the classic that put Ubud on the high-end tourist map. Built 25 years ago, it retains its original design until now, which is to provide an authentic experience of a royal Balinese family residence. It features 30 villas that all have a private garden or a swimming pool. The rooms have the feel of a royal Balinese room, with coconut wood carvings and teak used throughout, while the bamboo-frame roofs are layered with alang-alang thatching. Its most exclusive accommodation is the Amandari Villa, nestled in rice terraces less than a minute's drive from the resort. Serviced by two staff, it is a 1,500 sqm Balinese-style compound that includes five pavilions. The main attraction is its landscaped deck and its two-tiered swimming pool with a soothing panoramic view of the lush forest, the Ayung river gorge and terraced rice fields.

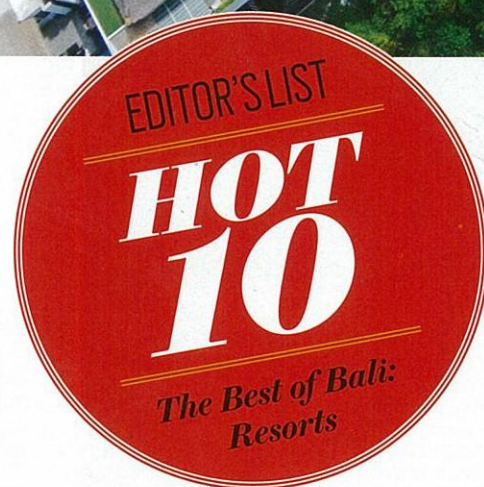
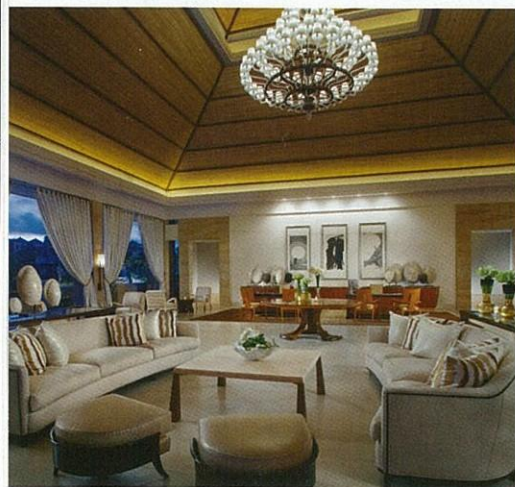




## Mulia Villas

NUSA DUA

**THE MULIA VILLAS** are the most luxurious accommodations in the Mulia Bali resort, which is the largest resort on Bali by size, at 30 ha. The Mulia Villas has 108 villas and are the largest of its kind on the island. The villas start at a minimum of 505 sqm to the largest at 3,300 sqm—the six bedroom Mulia Mansion. The villas are decorated and equipped with special veneer and custom-made fabrics, complemented by various Chinese artworks. Adopting the traditional Balinese house layout which separate the rooms under different roofs, the pavilion provides an enjoyable outdoor space with its hydrotherapy swimming pool and spacious garden with direct ocean views. One of the highlights of the resort is that it is one of only two luxury hotels in Bali that has a Chinese fine dining restaurant.



## Regent Bali

SANUR

Located on the Sanur eastern coastline, currently it is the only luxury beachfront resort in the area. Nestled in four ha of lush tropical gardens, it features 94 suites and 25 villas with private pools; each boasts contemporary Balinese-style interiors, spacious living rooms and sea or tropical garden views. The villas are all two story structures that come in one, two or three bedrooms, and features their own carports. The resort's signature villa is the 937 sqm beachfront two-bedroom villa with a generous private 130 sqm swimming pool, private Jacuzzi, individual spa treatment room with a steam-room for two alongside the pool, separate dining and living areas and two luxurious bathrooms with a lavishly spacious lunar bathtubs. The villa overlooks the island of Nusa Lembongan and the Indian Ocean. The Regent is owned by Dr. Tahir, the majority owner of the license to publish *Forbes Indonesia*.



## Samabe Bali Suites & Villas

NUSA DUA

The newest resort in the list, it is located on the edge of a cliff in Nusa Dua. The eight ha resort has 39 suites and 42 villas, featuring modern and contemporary design with a Balinese touch. The two-bedroom penthouse pool villa nestles on the top of the suites buildings, featuring the best ocean view from the resort, with its own plunge pool. The biggest accommodation in the resort is the two-story, 1,500 sqm Royal Samabe Residence, which has a panoramic view of the ocean and features two bedrooms, two master bathrooms, living and dining room, bar, and three guest bathrooms. It also has a courtyard for parties. The resort is located on the last strip of beach in Nusa Dua for a more private ambience. The beach is accessible by stairs from the resort, with the unique feature of a small cave so that guests can have a romantic dinner in a unique setting on the beach.







## St. Regis Bali Resort

NUSA DUA

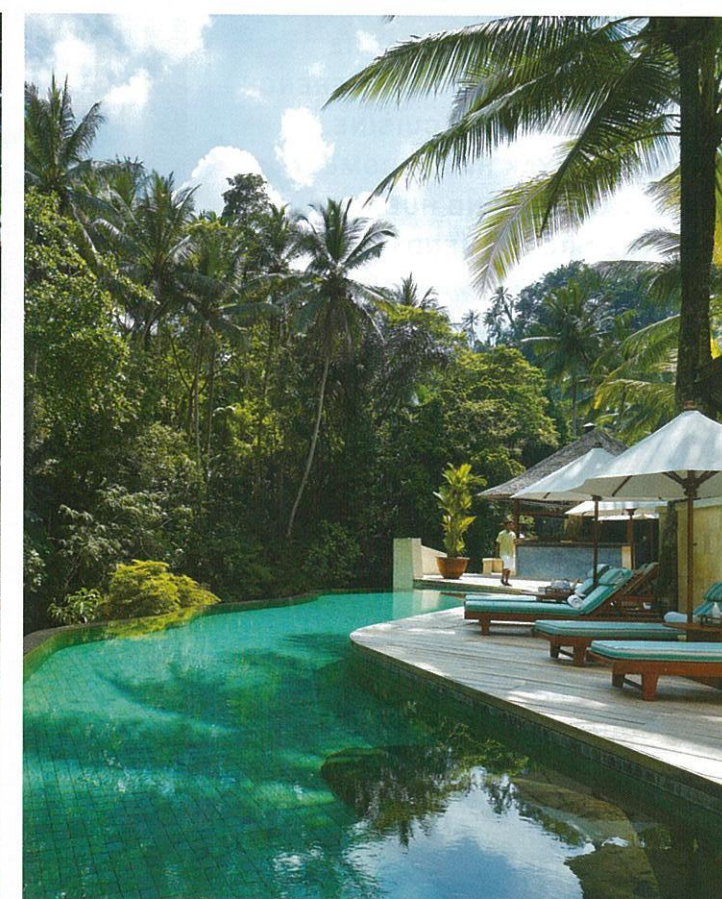
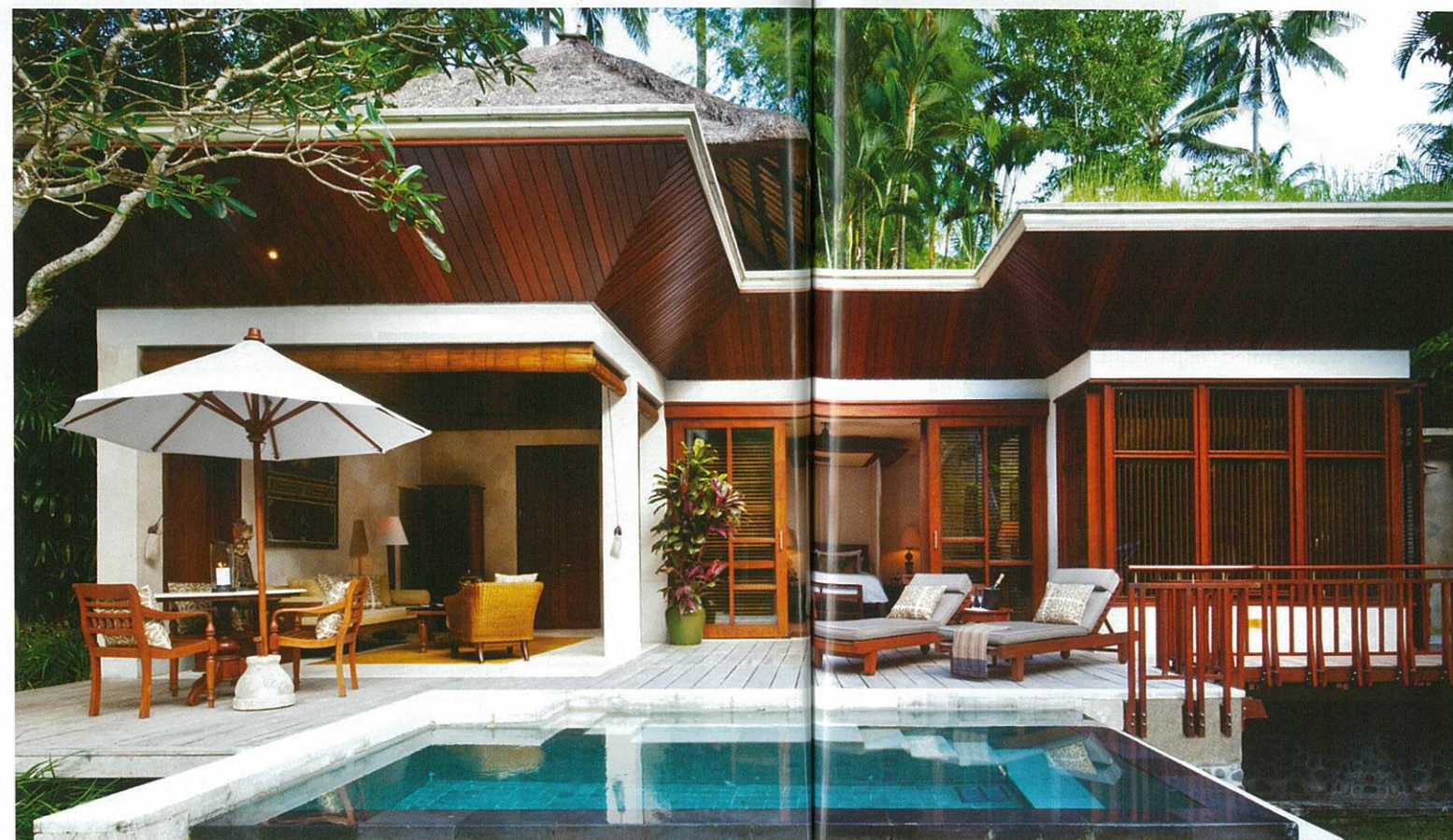
The first resort from the brand in Asia that opened six years ago. The signature grand staircase features various flowers' scents. It features 123 suites and villas on nine ha of land, it offers luxurious Balinese design in the exterior and interior, complemented by one of the finest restaurants in Bali with the Kayuputi. For a family, the two bedroom lagoon villa features a direct access to the resort 3,668 sqm blue saltwater lagoon that the whole family can enjoy. However it's biggest appeal is its beachside splendor with its pristine sand. To maximize the resort charm, staying at the Strand Villa gives you your own way to the beach, with two private beachfront day beds. One can also try the 966 sqm Strand Residence, that aside of having direct access to the beach, also features three bedrooms and generous living and dining areas. **FL**



## Four Seasons Resort Bali at Sayan

UBUD

Located beside Ubud's Ayung river, this resort has 18 suites and 42 villas. The resort's enchantment begins when you enter the lobby by crossing a wooden footbridge to a building shaped like a gigantic lotus pond located above the lush valley. The villas are sunken with lily ponds on its roof, with stairs down to enter the villa. The riverfront villa is the place to stay, as it is situated next to the river. The outdoor area provides a day bed or a chance to take a plunge in the private pool. The resort is also child friendly as it has a family suite and many activities to keep your children busy. At the top end, the Royal Villa is a 1,500 sqm three-bedroom residence, surrounded by views of the river, forest and rice terraces.



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