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## The Hot List 2012

**MALDIVES** Jumeirah Dhevanafushi

This resort is a 55-minute flight from the capital city of Malé, followed by a 15-minute speedboat trip (sometimes accompanied by a welcoming party of playful dolphins). The island itself is tiny: even at the gentlest of strolls you can walk the circumference in less than 10 minutes. But everything else about it is huge. The 38 honey-hued villa suites are massive, from 206 square metres up to a whopping 600. The over-sized theme continues inside: the ceilings are lofty, you could lose your partner in the bathroom and the beds are big enough for a family. The 16 'Ocean Pearls' villas are not just overwater, but completely detached from the main island (there's a speedboat on hand to ferry you across) with their own restaurant, bar with shared swimming pool and spa rooms. All the villas have private pools and butlers. There are three restaurants (including one overwater), but you can eat anywhere: pick a spot on the island, or even on a neighbouring one, and the chef will whip up a lobster picnic or top-grade wagyu beef barbecue. (Even the burgers here are made with wagyu beef.) The prices are hidden away at the back of the menu; but if you're worried about prices, then this place is probably not for you.

**When to go** Any time, but the wet season is traditionally from May to November.

**Room to book** Island Revive if you want sand between your toes; Ocean Sanctuary if you prefer water, water everywhere.

00 960 682 8800; [www.jumeirah.com](http://www.jumeirah.com). Beach Revive Suites from US\$2,120

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