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Airlines are duking it and rolling out great new interactive services to entice passenger loyalty. Get the low-down on what different airlines are offering in our Traveller section. The Chateau in Berjaya Hills, Malaysia is set on becoming the destination spa of the decade. Find out more in the Cover Story; while getting to know other stellar properties in the region, and finding out the next place to go for a pampering spa treatment.



Emirates Named Airline Of The Year

Emirates, the Dubai-based carrier, was honoured by Air Transport World on February 8 as the airline's President Tim Clark received the 'Airline of the Year' award at a gala dinner in Washington, D.C, USA.

Since launching services in 1985, Emirates has grown into one of the largest and most dynamic airlines in the world, transforming Dubai into a world-class hub for global air travel. The airline is a leader in developing flexible air routings that save fuel and reduce CO2

emissions. These advances, combined with a host of other achievements have resulted in more than 400 international awards recognizing the airline in almost every category.

Some of the Emirates' pioneering innovations include becoming the first airline to introduce individual seat back videos and to enable passengers to make authorized onboard mobile phone calls. Emirates' flagship A380s are the only commercial aircraft to feature onboard shower spas for first class passengers. **h2a**



Delta Adds Economy Comfort Section

Delta Air Lines announced a major investment in its international fleet with plans to introduce a premium economy section – "Economy Comfort" – on all long-haul international flights in summer 2011. The new seats will feature up to four additional inches of legroom and 50 percent more recline than Delta's standard international Economy class seats.

The product, which is similar to upgraded Economy services currently available on flights operated by Delta's joint venture partner Air France-KLM, will be installed in the first few rows of the Economy cabin on more than 160 Boeing 747, 757, 767, 777 and Airbus A330 aircraft by this summer.

Customers who have purchased an international Economy ticket on Delta will be able to choose Economy Comfort seats for an additional fee of US\$80-\$160 one-way through delta.com, kiosks and Delta reservations beginning in May for travel this summer. Complimentary access to Economy Comfort seats will be available to all SkyMiles Diamond and Platinum Medallions; up to eight companions travelling in the same reservation with Diamond and Platinum Medallions; and customers purchasing full-fare Economy class tickets. Gold and Silver Medallions will enjoy 50 and 25 percent discounts on the Economy Comfort seat fees, respectively. **h2a**

Kenya Airways Expands

As part of a continuing programme to enlarge and modernize their fleet, Kenya Airways has taken delivery of a brand new Embraer airliner. Their first E190 Advanced Range (AR) aircraft joins an existing fleet of Embraer 170s, bringing the airline's total E-Jet fleet to six.

According to Rosemary Adogo, Area Manager Southern Africa and IOI, "The new Embraer is critical to the airline's regional route expansion process, because it serves the medium to long-range African destinations. It offers the comforts that have come to be expected on the E170s, but in addition, it is also fitted with state-of-the-art, in-seat, in-flight entertainment technology." She further added, "Passengers can look forward to excellent cabin comfort in a true dual-class configuration of 12 business class seats." The new Embraer will service the Lusaka, Kigali, Bujumbura, and Maputo routes. **h2a**

Etihad Airways And Air NZ Sign Codeshare Agreement

Air New Zealand has signed a code share agreement with Abu Dhabi-based airline Etihad Airways. The two airlines will code share on services to and from between New Zealand through Australia and Abu Dhabi to London. The link up follows Air New Zealand's code share and commercial alliance with Australia's Virgin Blue (VBA.AX), which also has a code sharer agreement with Etihad. **h2a**

Hilly Retreat

Cherengin Hills Convention & Spa Resort sits on 11 acres of land surrounded by lush rainforest. Tucked in a valley between Genting Highlands and Berjaya Hills Resort, Cherengin Hills Convention & Spa Resort sits at the tail end of the majestic Titiwangsa Range at an altitude of 600 to 800 ft above sea level. With nature in abundance, it is no surprise that the resort promotes itself as the ideal venue where business goes hand-in-hand with leisure. Every day is a cool day here with the temperature dropping to 22 degrees Celsius on certain nights.

Cherengin Hills, Pahang Malaysia

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Villas Afloat

At KC Resort and Over Water Villas, you'll be transported into a secluded estate with stunning views of the cobalt blue sea and outlying islands of Koh Samui. With just 95 rooms comprising of suites and Over Water Villas, you are guaranteed to have service that speaks of attention to detail. Luxuriate in spacious accommodation, self indulgent double-seater Chromo Therapy Jacuzzis, Blitz Rain Shower Columns with acupuncture jet sprays and oversized beds fitted with custom made mattresses. In-room facilities include LCD Televisions with 40 interactive TV Channels, Micro DVD components, a full Deluxe Mini Bar, Wi-Fi and IDD Cordless telephones for your convenience. Nothing is left to chance to ensure your comfort.



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Art At Play

Gallery Hotel is Singapore's first art-inspired hotel which features award-winning post-modern architecture and colourful interiors. It has been awarded Best Boutique Hotel by the 2009 AsiaOne People's Choice Awards and Best Accommodation Experience Superior Hotel category at the Singapore Tourism Board's Tourism Awards for 2005 and 2008. With the picturesque Singapore River as its backdrop and a flamboyant facade with multi-coloured window panels, the 223-room hotel has set a new standard in modern hotel design since its inception a decade ago. Featuring over seven categories of rooms and suites, five function rooms and at least ten reputable restaurants, cafes and bars to choose from, patrons at Gallery Hotel will never have to leave its doorstep to experience beyond the ordinary.

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The Chateau Spa & Organic
Wellness Resort, Malaysia

The Incredible Lightness Of Being



Main: The Main Lobby
Above: Teh Ming Wah, General Manager



Few things can rival the scent of dew-soaked earth coupled with the spicy muskiness indigenous to the greenery of a tropical rainforest. Marry this with one of the least commercially developed mountain resorts in Peninsular Malaysia, special care to ecological practices, and the scene is set for a whole new wellness experience, beyond anything the world has yet to know.

It has been long in coming, but some of the best things in life take time. And so it has been with The Chateau. In a tableaux that can draw parallels to the folk tale of Sleeping Beauty, the physical structure of The Chateau has flanked the popular Berjaya Hills Resort in Bukit Tinggi, Pahang, Malaysia, for five years. Like the recumbent princess, it has lain undisturbed, waiting for the right time to awaken.

Under the capable and far-sighted leadership of renowned spa consultant Teh Ming Wah, who now holds the General Managership of the world's first spa and organic wellness resort, The Chateau is set to burst onto the international scene with offerings hitherto unamalgamated.

Modelled after the 18th century Haut Koesnigburg castle in Alsace, France, and designed by a French architect, this mediievally modelled resort offers 200 elegant rooms which are an extension of the luxurious comfort and wellness afforded by the spa and concurrent wellness treatment programmes.

Spa aficionados and those seeking an unforgettable journey to wellness will be pleased to know that The Chateau is the first and only complete organic wellness resort in the world. Says Teh, "The Chateau is the world's first organic, integrated luxury wellness spa resort. There are many resorts offering organic restaurants which are eco-conscious in their operations, but The Chateau is truly the one and only wholly organic luxury spa in the world. Everything in the rooms is organic – from the towels and bed linen, right to the snacks, as well as the coffee, tea and drinking water. The produce used in the preparation of meals is sourced from the organic farm that we own. Even our water supply is tapped from the mountain itself. This whole, holistic package is The Chateau's unique selling proposition."

"My vision for The Chateau is for it to become a Malaysian brand which can hold its own on the global market. Not all good brands are international ones, and I want to create a masterpiece here in Berjaya Hills. It is not enough to be just a spa resort, new spas need a competitive edge and I am intent on making sure that there will be no wellness resort to parallel The Chateau."



Teh, who, as a consultant, has opened numerous spas in Europe, believes that the organic, European spa experience of The Chateau will draw a cosmopolitan crowd from the higher echelons of Russia, the Middle East, United Kingdom, Germany and Japan. "As we strive to create a new brand for Malaysian hospitality, we will be training our staff for the global platform. The service offered by The Chateau is a combination of East-West hospitality. We take the efficient know-how of the Europeans, and marry it with the warm, friendly hospitality of Malaysia for perfect chemistry," she shares.

Integral to the wellness experience is the European, state-of-the-art spa, La Sante. The Chateau offers specially designed three, five and seven-night wellness retreats where guests live in The Chateau's spa rooms while undergoing specially tailored daily fitness and wellness programmes designed to meet an individual's needs and health goals. These individually personalized packages range from body pampering, beauty, stress relief, body cleansing, fitness, weight loss, as well as pre-and post natal conditioning, all under the professional eye of physicians, nutritionists, fitness specialists, spa consultants and trained personnel.

The Chateau also offers a special couple retreat for partners who need to reacquaint themselves with each other after periods of high stress; or who wish to enhance their relationship with quality time together, away from their hurried everyday routines. In response to their findings on the preferences of male spa guests, The Chateau has also designed a special male spa programme which comprises of no-nonsense facials, electronic face-lifting and great massages.

The wellness experience begins from the airport where guests are picked up and chauffeured to The Chateau. An initial consultation will draw a blueprint for each guest's stay, with at least one session with a nutritionist. However, lest the indulgent guest shirk from the thought of food counselling or being put on a diet regiment, Teh eases anxieties, saying, "We don't control food intake except for the detox and wellness programmes. Upon checking in, guests will enjoy exquisite meals prepared by Michelin-standard chefs who excel at exceptional, gastronomic offerings."

*Far left: Personal pampering at its best
Above (from the top): Butler service in
Presidential Suite; Deluxe Room with
organic elements*



Right (from the top): Yoga in the mountains; Hydro bath in spa couple suite
 Above (from the top): The Swarovski crystal ornamented salt grotto;
 The herbal bath

While fitness does play a role in the entire concept of wellness, the trainers at the Chateau incorporate just the right kind of exercise for each programme in order to achieve the best results. There is even a yoga specialist from North India on the staff.

Says Teh, "We want people to think of their retreat as an escape. We want them to know that by checking in to The Chateau and into any of the wellness programmes, they will be coming to a place with exceptional, personalized service, where the level of physical activity and rigorousness of the exercise depends on the programme they embark on."

If waking up at 8am for yoga in the mountains is not quite the holiday retreat some would have in mind, The Chateau offers bespoke programmes tailored for the individual, advocating a non-regimented, and lifestyle approach to wellness. After all, the location in itself works in favour of a healthy lifestyle, with scenic walking tracks, fitness trails, mountain bike paths, a Flying Fox, and horseback riding, being among some of the invigorating outdoor activities.

After enjoying the sights and sounds of the 150-million year old rainforest, the seductive warmth of The Chateau will surely beckon. Sip cocktails in C'est Bon, the lobby lounge, or take classic afternoon tea in Belle Vue, the tea room where a baby grand piano overlooks the hills. Enjoy Michelin-style dining at the French fine dining restaurant L'Assiette which serves organic cuisine; or less formal meals at La Vie, the all-day dining restaurant serving Asian and European cuisine, before delighting in a Havana or Cohiba at the Salon which is the cigar lounge offering cocktails and a fine selection of cigars.


It would be almost blasphemous not to experience the La Sante spa. La Sante is the first spa in Malaysia to offer European thermal facilities which include a herbal infused sauna chamber, salt grotto or mud chamber, and a soap brush/Aquaveda heated bed with automatic body scrub facilities. The spa has separate male and female entrances and changing rooms, with integrated sauna and steam areas, couple suites, deluxe couple suites with hydro baths, deluxe treatment room with whirlpool, and outdoor pavilions on top of lavishly luxurious treatment rooms. There is also a spa café, hair salon, manicure and pedicure cabin, state-of-the-art gym, mind and body studios and private consultation rooms. La Sante also offers specialized counselling on nutrition and wellness, with a fitness manager, yoga specialist, healthcare professionals, and other experts who put every guest's well-being foremost, in order to help a guest reap the most benefit from their visit to La Sante.



Left (from the top): L'Assiette, French Fine Dining, offering exquisite gastronomic cuisine; La Vie offers Michelin-style dining
Above (from the top): Bellevue Tea Room, a very unique concept, serving only afternoon tea; Organic produce comes from the resort's own farms

Embracing organic wellness as a way of life, The Chateau is one of Malaysia's greenest resorts – both in location, and its operational practices. The Chateau has copyrighted the tagline 'We have a heart for our planet' and has proceeded to find ways in delivering a luxurious wellness experience in the most ecologically sensitive way possible.

Shares the passionate Teh, "When we say The Chateau is an organic resort, we mean that it is a complete organic experience. The spa, the food, linen, towels and toiletries are all organic – we use corn starch in our amenities. We use Voya spa products which is an exclusive Irish spa brand utilized by properties like Burj Al Arab and The Ritz Hotel, Paris. We hold the exclusive rights for Voya in Malaysia, and visitors to Malaysia can only experience the products at The Chateau. Our pool is chlorine-free, utilizing salt water instead. Organic sparkling water, organic coffee and tea are all complimentary in the rooms. We have imported food technology from Japan which uses an enzyme to help compost food waste, and water is tapped from our own reservoir and treated in our water treatment plant. We also use bio degradable detergent in the laundry, and choose to work with suppliers who maintain the integrity of the ecosystem."

The Chateau also offers MICE planners a refreshing new venue for events, with a business centre, meeting rooms catering to up to 50 persons, and two fully equipped convention centres; and an 18-hole award winning golf course in the equation. 

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Swissôtel The Stamford

The Epitome Of Excellence



Main : The luxurious Stamford Crest Suite
Above (from the top) : The impressive facade; Equinox Restaurant overlooking the skyline


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Known for its sky-scraping stature and its prime location in the heart of Singapore, Swissôtel The Stamford is not only one of the tallest hotels in Southeast Asia, but it is also a place where satisfied guests return time after time for an exquisite stay that epitomizes luxury and service excellence. Just a stone-throw away from the bustling commercial and banking district of Shenton Way, with the City Hall Mass Rapid Transit (MRT) subway situated below, the hotel is also surrounded by theatres, art galleries, museums and historical sights. A total of 1261 deluxe guestrooms and suites are available, with rooms on the higher levels overlooking the magnificent Singapore cityscape. Whether you are a business or leisure traveller, rest assured your every need will be met. The Swiss Executive Club offers comprehensive services to make working away from home hassle-free.

For those seeking added luxury, stay in one of the 29 grand Stamford Crest Suites that are located on the topmost floors. These Victorian-styled art-adorned penthouse suites offer the best in lifestyle experiences – iPod docking station, Bose Lifestyle 5 Hi-fi System, DVD player, meeting room facilities, business services, BlackBerry printing services, and an ensuite bathroom with built-in television. Truly a top-class choice of accommodation, guests can expect personal butler service and enjoy complimentary breakfast and evening cocktails at the sophisticated Living Room.

On the same grand scale, business executives and event planners can look forward to the Raffles City Convention Centre on level four that offers 70,000 square feet of meeting space with 27 rooms suitable for meetings, conferences and functions. The state-of-the-art Executive Conference Centre with a satellite conference system featuring icon-based touch screen and advanced facilities is a preferred venue for global conferences. Its biggest ballroom - the majestic pillar-free Raffles Ballroom can accommodate up to 3,200 guests. Whether it is a large-scale symposium or a company-training seminar, the dedicated and efficient Convention Services team will be able to see to your specific needs.

Food lovers and party-goers are not forgotten at Swissôtel The Stamford. Embark on a culinary journey with the extensive selection of 16 exciting restaurants and bars, featuring a wide variety of cuisines. Noted for its extraordinary Southern French Nouvelle fare, Jaan restaurant is dubbed the 'jewel' of the Equinox Complex. In the evenings, kick back and unwind in the relaxed ambience of Introbar or the sophisticated City Space. For a high-energy designer nightclub in Singapore, the New Asia bar seems to be the rendezvous for the young and energetic at heart.

To complete your stay, head over to one of Asia's largest spas, the Willow Stream Spa and leave it to the skilful hands of the therapists to pamper and rejuvenate your mind, body and soul. 



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All Things Are Not Equal

The Samaya, Seminyak, Bali



*Main: Private villas occupy prime beach front locations
Above (from the top): All the creature comforts; Meals are as simple or as lavish as one can wish*

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Chances are when the most chic of the Bali crowd want to hang out, they'll head for Samaya, Seminyak, Bali. The property has one of the finest bits of real estate on the island, with the only collection of luxurious private villas to occupy both prime beach front locations, as well as commandeer the best location to catch the famed Seminyak sunset. The beach in front of The Samaya is unique in the Seminyak area. Beach sellers or hawkers do not approach guests as the area is deemed the sacred ground of the nearby holy Petitenget Temple adding another level of exclusivity to the fine surroundings of The Samaya.

A stay at Samaya assures one of all the creature comforts with all the technological whizz bangs and gadgetry thrown in for a good measure. There is privacy aplenty if that is what is desired, but also service to ensure one never goes in need. Meals are as simple or as lavish as one can wish, with the option of an in villa setup in your private gazebo, or a seven course romantic champagne candle light dinner on your own personal pool island in the lagoon or a night out at Breeze, The Samaya's flagship restaurant.

The ocean-facing Spa at The Samaya has two treatment rooms with infinity views over the horizon and a private bale for post therapy relaxation after the signature Samaya Massage with two therapists using a blend of Shiatsu, Thai, Hawaiian, Swedish and Balinese techniques, or the two hour Ritual of Royalty with a choice of Royal Javanese Lulur or Balinese Hot Spice Boreh therapies. ■

A Destination In Itself

Melati Beach Resort & Spa,
Koh Samui



Nestled amidst a natural tropical landscape on a secluded pristine beach overlooking the beautiful local islands, Melati Beach Resort & Spa, Koh Samui offers unrivalled luxury whilst celebrating the warmth of traditional Thai village design. The resort's concealed beachfront location can be found on the northern most tip of Koh Samui at Thongsong Bay approximately 10 minutes from the airport and 15 minutes from the pulsating Chaweng shopping and nightlife district.

Melati offers a luxurious collection of 77 villas and suites in seven different configurations designed for utmost comfort. Ranging from a massive 70 to 300 sq ms, more than 50 percent of the guest accommodations are villas with private pools. The resort is fashioned in contemporary and chic Thai architecture and is enveloped in lush gardens. Facilities such as a tranquil garden pool, seaside infinity pool, three dining outlets, a swim-up bar, a spa, a fitness centre, a yoga sala and meeting rooms are available for guests' comfort and convenience.

Dining at Melati Beach Resort & Spa enhances the overall memorable experience of the resort. On the beachfront is their signature Kan Sak Thong restaurant specializing in traditional Thai and Asian cuisine. Alternatively, the View Pha Ngam restaurant features an open kitchen serving delectable barbeque dishes and an international a la carte menu. Fresh locally caught seafood is part of the tantalizing menu and is guaranteed to treat your taste buds to an authentic culinary adventure.

Awarded for excellence by the Health Ministry of Thailand, the Melati Spa offers an extensive spa menu for both wellness and beauty needs. Aiming to let you leave behind the stress and anxieties from your daily life, the charming and skilled therapists will also see to the rejuvenation of your mind, body and soul. For those wanting a little more privacy, in-room spa treatments can be arranged. After a relaxing spa treatment, the integrated beauty salon is available for those who desire a little make-over. **na**

*Main: A Thai village theme forming a courtyard built around an ancient, sunken, stepped swimming pool
Above (from the top): Candlelight dinner on the beach; Bask under the tropical sun at Melati's pristine beachfront*

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The Sultan Hotel Jakarta

Capital Warmth



Main: The Sultan has now entrenched itself as one of Jakarta's oldest hospitality landmarks

Above (from the top): The Sultan Hotel Jakarta offers six restaurants; There are 1104 rooms to choose from

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It is 35 years old, but The Sultan Hotel Jakarta, like a good wine, has matured and become mellow with time. Initially the Jakarta Hilton International Hotel, The Sultan has now entrenched itself as one of Jakarta's oldest hospitality landmarks. Located in Senayan, the strategic junction of Jakarta's Central Business District Golden Triangle, The Sultan Hotel offers guests the warmth of the Jakarta capital amid the serenity of a tropical retreat by adding a touch of Royal Javanese hospitality to their 5-star service.

The Sultan Hotel Jakarta offers six restaurants, a cake shop and four bars and lounges, where guests are treated to a wide variety of extraordinary food and beverages, ranging from traditional Indonesian cuisine to exquisite French fine dining.

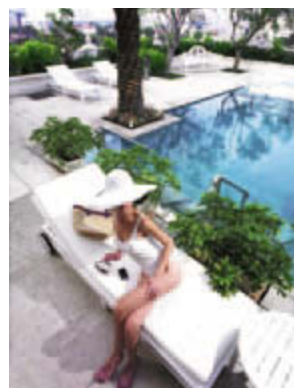
The largest hotel in Indonesia, and one of the largest in South East Asia, three towers of The Sultan Hotel Jakarta rise distinctively over a vast garden, the most expansive in Jakarta, spanning 32 acres.

The grounds house 1104 rooms, nine banquet rooms, and a ballroom, complemented with 12 floodlit tennis courts, a basketball court, four squash courts, a 500-metre jogging track, two swimming pools, a fitness centre, and shopping arcade.

The hotel is the venue for the International Jazz Music Festival and various other international music concerts. Its proximity to the Senayan Sport Complex and government buildings also make it the choice location to host international sport events, conferences, government gatherings, and other prominent events. **ha**

A Gran Holiday


Hotel Gran Mahakam, Jakarta



Conveniently surrounded by a host of preferred facilities like shopping centers, art shops, restaurants and entertainment outlets, Hotel Gran Mahakam is the destination of choice for travellers seeking to indulge in luxury and convenience in a distinctive ambiance that is European in architecture and classical in style. The beautifully appointed rooms, attention to detail and attentive service from its staff are just some of the hallmarks of Hotel Gran Mahakam.

The hotel lobby is immediately welcoming with its elegant interior design. Throughout their stay, guests will sense the warmth of Indonesian hospitality and personalized, efficient service. The 155 guest rooms and duplex suites are furnished elegantly; from the exquisite room furniture to the modern hotel facilities set according to five-star international standards, rest assured the demands of both business and leisure travellers will be met.

The dining experience is no less exceptional. Not to be missed is the famous Le Gran Café Restaurant, teasing your palate with an array of scrumptious international buffet and an extensive a la carte menu featuring traditional Indonesian specialties, Western, Asian and authentic Japanese cuisine. The cozy ambiance and the soothing melodies from the piano create the perfect setting for business luncheons and intimate dinners. Aoki Japanese Restaurant features a uniquely modern interior design and offers renowned traditional Japanese delicacies, while the Regal Bar & Lounge endows a fine variety of light snacks, tempting cocktails and a selection of premium coffee and teas.

Other hotel facilities include a well-equipped fitness centre, a pampering spa and a sauna. After a long hectic day, take an invigorating plunge into the pool and soak in the panoramic scenery below. 

*Main \: Victorian inspired staircase
Above (from the top) \: Cozy and well-appointed guest rooms; Stylish poolside at Hotel Gran Mahakam*

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Aquamarine Resort & Villa,
Phuket

Soul Deep Satisfaction



Main: Aquamarine offers something for every guest

Above (from the top): Memories are made of this; Thai Cooking Class helmed by the resort's chef

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Aquamarine Resort & Villa is the place to go for an all-round holiday in Phuket. Located on the higher part of Kamala Beach, with an expansive view of Kamala Bay from every room and villa, the resort offers 360 degrees of fun and fulfilment. Water babies and sun worshippers can sit pretty around the three infinity pools and a Jacuzzi pool which overlooks the boundless sea and work on their tans while sipping long tall ones from the Swim-Up pool bar, while fitness freaks can buff it up in the gym, with kids safely out of the way with fun activities.

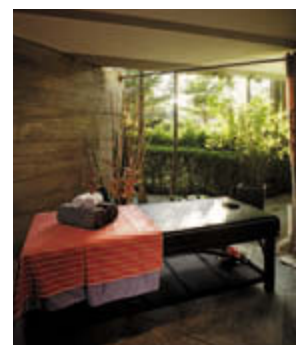
One of the most popular pursuits is the Thai Cooking Class helmed by the resort's chef, and held on the deck of the Blue Sea Café where the view is almost as fascinating as the exotic ingredients introduced at the fun culinary classes. Fruit and vegetable carving is another skill holiday makers can learn at Aquamarine.

The more artistically inclined can opt for batik painting and bring home the fruit of their labours by way of a pretty scarf, t-shirt or wrap. Each project is overseen by the resort's in-house batik painter, which makes it almost a master class!

Since a holiday almost nearly includes a wonderful spa experience, the Lotus Spa offers gentle pampering for those wanting to just lay back and relax. If the need for speed is more one's game, there are facilities for snooker and table tennis, as well as excursions out to Kamala Beach or Patong by way of the hotel's free shuttle service. **na**

Indulgence Redefined

Indigo Pearl, Phuket



Uniquely blending modern architecture and Thailand's tin-mining heritage, Indigo Pearl has been hailed a design masterpiece and one of the world's most stylish resorts by leading international awards. It is easily accessible from almost everywhere in Asia aboard direct flights to Phuket and is located next to Nai Yang Beach, ten minutes from Phuket International Airport.

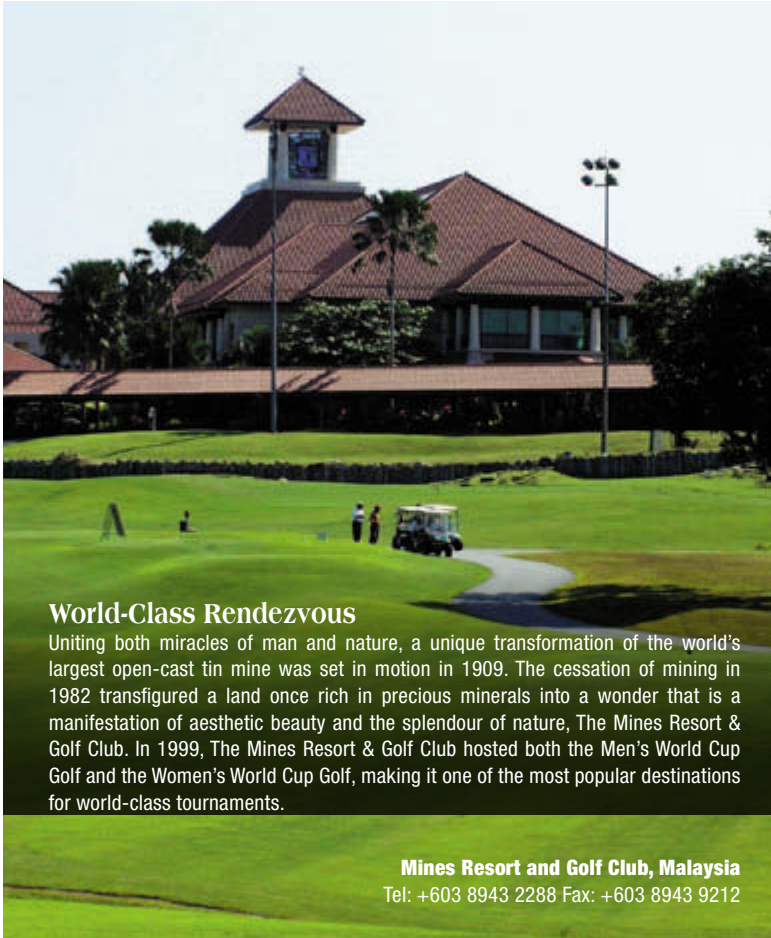
The award-winning resort is broadening its selection of luxury accommodations with the opening of 'D-Buk' spa and family suites. These spacious suites have been designed to offer guests a versatile living area and are the work of internally renowned architect and interior designer, Bill Bensley. Appointed with a King Bed and an oversized day bed, a D-Buk suite doubles as a Spa Suite for couples seeking treatments in the comfort of their own room complete with outside spa terrace; or converted into a second bedroom capable of sleeping two adults and two children under the age of 12.

Large bathrooms with separate shower and bath, walk-in closets and private terraces overlooking the resort's tropical gardens allow ample space for family living. The suites are conveniently located at garden level for easy access to the resort's three swimming pools and two beach clubs, whilst in-room amenities include an entertainment library and welcome goody bag for children. Kids under 12-years will also enjoy complimentary meals at the resort throughout the duration of their stay when dining with parents.

For couples taking the D-Buk Spa suite option, a multitude of Thai-inspired spa treatments are offered including massage and reflexology in complete privacy. Living areas have been thoughtfully planned in warm hues, adorned with oversized and vintage inspired furniture pieces whilst bathrooms boast double-sink vanity units and grand mirrors bathed in natural light. In celebration of the D-Buk suites opening, Family and Spa packages are now available at 13,900 THB from 4 January to 15 April 2011. **h**

*Main: Indigo Pearl's trendy lobby area
Above (from the top): In-room spa bed;
The sensual ambiance of D-Buk Spa suite*

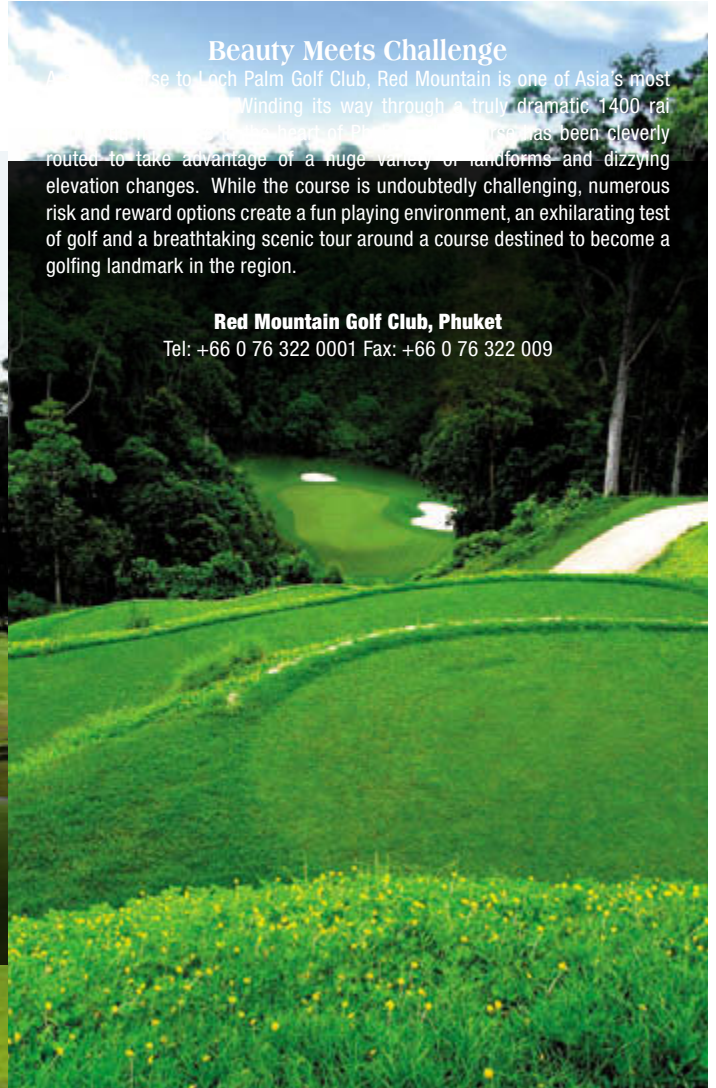
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World-Class Rendezvous

Uniting both miracles of man and nature, a unique transformation of the world's largest open-cast tin mine was set in motion in 1909. The cessation of mining in 1982 transfigured a land once rich in precious minerals into a wonder that is a manifestation of aesthetic beauty and the splendour of nature, The Mines Resort & Golf Club. In 1999, The Mines Resort & Golf Club hosted both the Men's World Cup Golf and the Women's World Cup Golf, making it one of the most popular destinations for world-class tournaments.

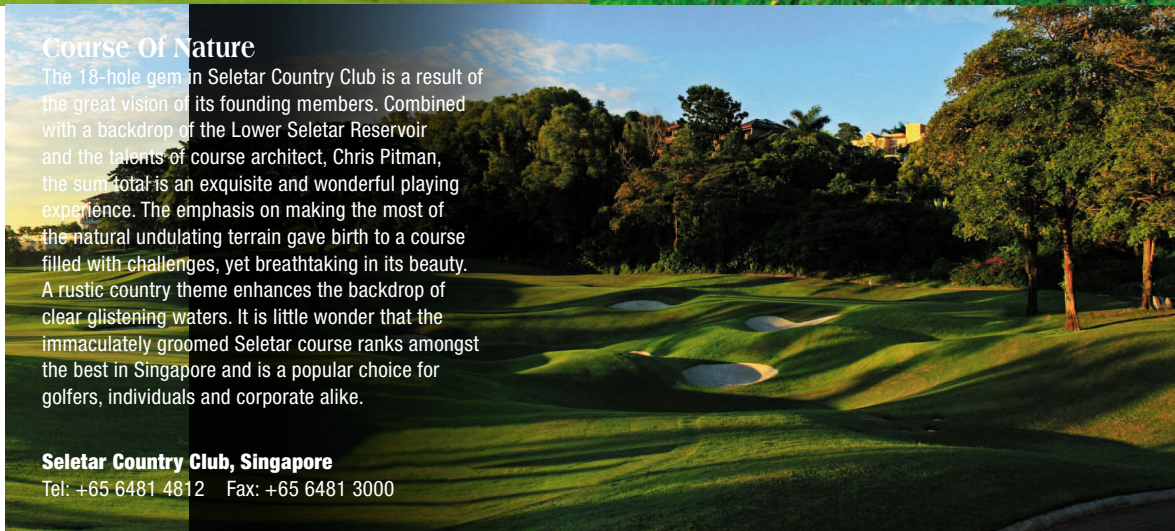
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Beauty Meets Challenge

As an alternative to Loch Palm Golf Club, Red Mountain is one of Asia's most beautiful courses. Winding its way through a truly dramatic 1400 rai (350 hectares) in the heart of Phuket, the course has been cleverly routed to take advantage of a huge variety of landforms and dizzying elevation changes. While the course is undoubtedly challenging, numerous risk and reward options create a fun playing environment, an exhilarating test of golf and a breathtaking scenic tour around a course destined to become a golfing landmark in the region.

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Course Of Nature

The 18-hole gem in Seletar Country Club is a result of the great vision of its founding members. Combined with a backdrop of the Lower Seletar Reservoir and the talents of course architect, Chris Pitman, the sum total is an exquisite and wonderful playing experience. The emphasis on making the most of the natural undulating terrain gave birth to a course filled with challenges, yet breathtaking in its beauty. A rustic country theme enhances the backdrop of clear glistening waters. It is little wonder that the immaculately groomed Seletar course ranks amongst the best in Singapore and is a popular choice for golfers, individuals and corporate alike.

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Centara's Himalayan Resort Offers All-In Package

Moksha Himalaya Spa Resort, part of the Centara Boutique Collection, has a package that combines reduced rates with a number of lifestyle activities for guests staying a minimum of three nights.

From now until 15 April 2011, the Heavenly Moksha Himalaya India package is priced at US\$650 per suite per night, reducing to \$550 between 16 April to 31 October 2011. The rates, which are net, are on the basis of two adults with up to two children under the age of 12 years sharing their parents' room and bedding. An extra bed in the room is available at \$245 per adult or \$120 per child.

The package includes daily breakfast, lunch and dinner, and also a choice of the Moksha Experience, in which guests choose from programmes that offer benefits such as spa treatments, personal fitness programmes and local discovery trips. **ha**

Love Spell

Spa Cenvaree at Centara Hotels & Resorts invites you to celebrate Valentine's Day with the Love Spell Package available throughout Thailand from February 1 2011 onwards.

The two-hour Valentine special starts with a Spice Me Up milky bath that incorporates five different aromatic herbs to pamper the senses. For those opting for a more exhilarating experience, the Mocha Chino Mud Wrap presents just the perfect twist. Using an intoxicating blend of moist chocolate, cinnamon, floral fragrance and mineral rich mud, this body envelopment treatment penetrates deeply into the pores, allowing the body to eliminate toxins while leaving your skin chocolately smooth.

Next, created especially for the Valentine extravaganza, a scrumptious body scrub will drench your skin in bubbly champagne, mixed with the anti-aging properties of pomegranate and passion fruit to de-age the body, rendering your skin radiantly healthy. An invigorating Vanilla Shea Butter full body massage completes the experience. **ha**



Centara Grand Spa Cenvaree is just one of the spas offering Love Spell



Moksha Himalaya Spa Resort's infinity pool



Treatments rooms at the spa at Centara Grand Beach Resort Phuket

Health And Beauty Sanctuary

Centara's latest hotel in Phuket, the luxurious oceanfront Centara Grand Beach Resort Phuket unveils its new health and beauty sanctuary, offering hotel guests the chance to relax and recharge in a pristine spa.

Basing its concept on the holistic theme of achieving life balance through three pillars, "Body", "Energy" and "Soul", the spa holds the belief that all ailments originate from the imbalance of these three pillars.

With a setting enhanced by the gentle touch of traditional Thai décor and ambience, the spa features ten private en-suite facilities equipped with sunken Jacuzzis, beautifully appointed waiting areas, a tranquil relaxation lounge with waterfall features, Vichy shower room, luxurious nail salon, fully equipped men's and women's locker rooms with sauna and steam as well as a contemporary fitness centre.

The spa boutique features the Jurlique organic skin care line, the Signature body care line, fashionable resort wear, accessories, candles and unique gifts. **ha**

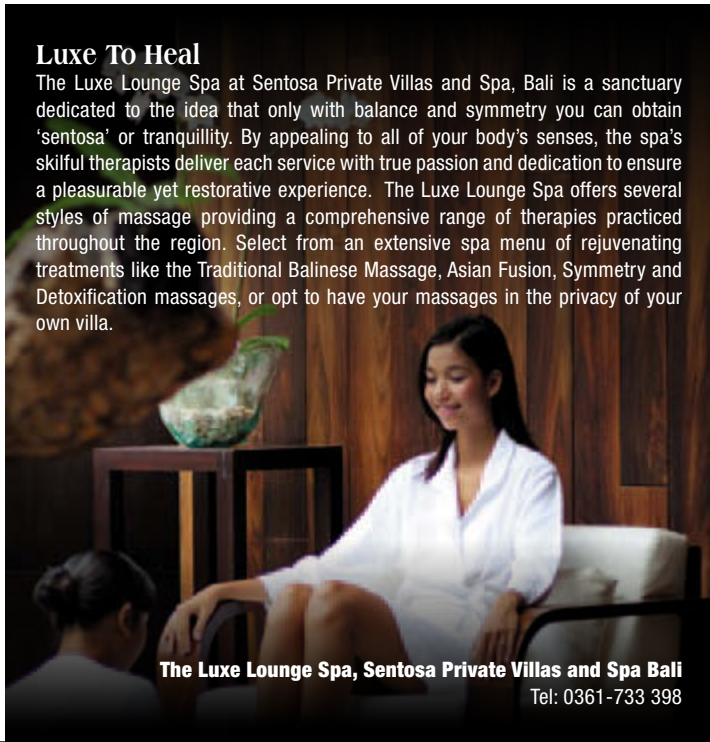
Embracing Middle Eastern Rituals

Officially launched in February at the Dubai Marriott Harbour Hotel & Suites, Saray Spa encompasses the rich customs that stem back to the caravan serai of the Silk Road, which were roadside inns where weary travellers once rested and relaxed during their journeys. Embracing Arabic design elements and offering time-tested remedies, the spa consists of treatments and services that, combined, provide guests with an authentic and holistic experience.

All products and ingredients used at Saray are true to their Middle Eastern roots, consisting of components that can only be found in the region. The rich minerals and mud from the Dead Sea have been harvested throughout centuries. Saray Spa combines this natural marvel with additional essences that contain beneficial properties such as honey, pomegranate or yoghurt to stimulate, beautify and revitalize. Paying homage to the best of Arabic healing rituals, Saray offers a unique variety of services including traditional Hammam bathing rituals, Silk Road massage and Arabic coffee awakener. **ha**

Luxe To Heal

The Luxe Lounge Spa at Sentosa Private Villas and Spa, Bali is a sanctuary dedicated to the idea that only with balance and symmetry you can obtain 'sentosa' or tranquillity. By appealing to all of your body's senses, the spa's skilful therapists deliver each service with true passion and dedication to ensure a pleasurable yet restorative experience. The Luxe Lounge Spa offers several styles of massage providing a comprehensive range of therapies practiced throughout the region. Select from an extensive spa menu of rejuvenating treatments like the Traditional Balinese Massage, Asian Fusion, Symmetry and Detoxification massages, or opt to have your massages in the privacy of your own villa.



The Luxe Lounge Spa, Sentosa Private Villas and Spa Bali

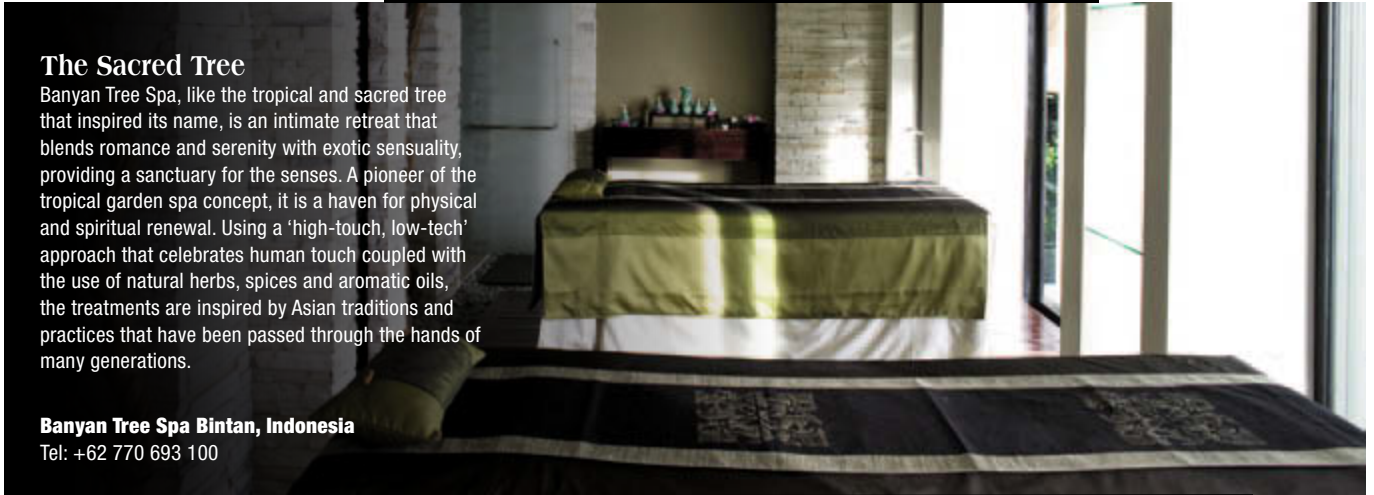
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The Sacred Tree

Banyan Tree Spa, like the tropical and sacred tree that inspired its name, is an intimate retreat that blends romance and serenity with exotic sensuality, providing a sanctuary for the senses. A pioneer of the tropical garden spa concept, it is a haven for physical and spiritual renewal. Using a 'high-touch, low-tech' approach that celebrates human touch coupled with the use of natural herbs, spices and aromatic oils, the treatments are inspired by Asian traditions and practices that have been passed through the hands of many generations.

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Circular Space And Calming Therapies

The luxurious Spa Furama's design was inspired by the concept of circles which reflects the symbol of completeness. Award-winning designers have incorporated a fresh take on a traditional belief with unique circular designed treatment rooms. With the clever use of chromatherapy, customers can indulge in a variety of calming therapies amidst the soothing flow of treatment spheres. Specially designed to capture the tranquility of Nature's symbolic cycle of life, Spa Furama encourages all sorts of private reunions, parties and corporate events.



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