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Raise a toast to post-wedding bliss
in these adult-only resorts,
writes **Lina Molloholli**

Newlyweds are faced with a delightful dilemma: where to kick off the rest of their lives together? From tropical paradise getaways with palm trees swaying in a slow dance, to rugged landscapes that echo the romance, honeymoon possibilities are endless.

Adult-only escapes provide an idyllic setting for couples, offering a tranquil – and, crucially, private – atmosphere for two. Free of the pitter-patter of little feet and other distractions, they allow lovebirds to fully immerse themselves in each other's company.

Whether your clients are craving the sand between their toes in the Maldives, the rainforest adrenaline of Costa Rica or the untamed wilderness of Australia, here are six resort options designed just for adults.

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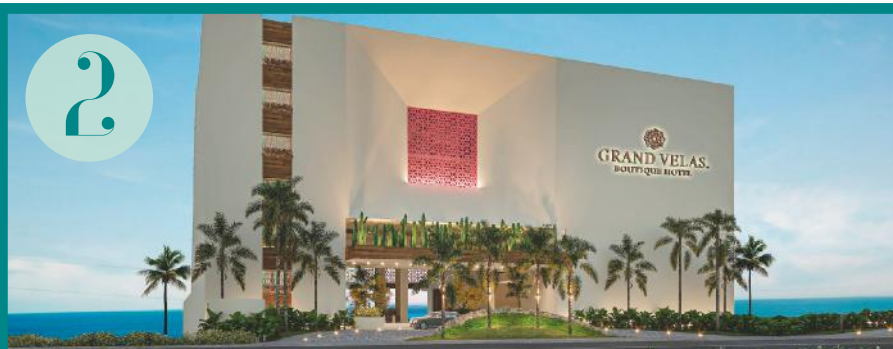


DOMES NORUZ CHANIA, GREECE

Chania, with its fair climate, bougainvillea-draped buildings and picturesque Venetian harbour, sets the stage for a dreamy honeymoon. The narrow cobblestone streets invite intimate hand-in-hand strolls, while the vibrant local markets and waterfront tavernas promise delightful sunset tastes of made-for-sharing mezze platters. At Domes Noruz Chania, couples can live in the lap of luxury with exclusive suites boasting private pools or hot tubs and breathtaking views of the Aegean. Long, leisurely days can involve waking up to the gentle sea breeze and sipping champagne by the private plunge pool, before relishing gourmet Cretan cuisine cooked by acclaimed Greek chef Dionysios Pliatsikas.

Book it: Caribtours offers a seven-night stay from £1,419 per person sharing an Upbeat Retreat double room with private plunge pool. The price includes breakfast, private transfers, access to a UK airport lounge and return flights from London on May 3. caribtours.co.uk

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GRAND VELAS BOUTIQUE LOS CABOS, MEXICO

Los Cabos, at the tip of Baja California, is a perfect blend of sun, sea and nightlife, making it a famed honeymoon spot. Grand Velas Boutique Los Cabos opened its doors on January 8 as the third Los Cabos property of Mexican hotel group Velas Resorts. The all-inclusive property features 79 suites, a private beach and an infinity pool overlooking the turquoise Sea of Cortez. The resort's restaurants offer culinary adventures for two: from authentic Mexican flavours to an exciting Asian fusion restaurant created by renowned Dutch chef Sidney Schutte, each dish is a masterpiece. Guests can also take 'date' nights out, as they have access to nearby sister resort Grand Velas Los Cabos, where they can enjoy a further five dining outlets at no extra cost and a spa.

Book it: Rooms start from £405 per person per night. Honeymoon experiences, for an extra charge, can include picnic on the beach, a private cooking class, a paint and wine session, sightseeing tours and lunch on a yacht. loscabosboutique.grandvelas.com

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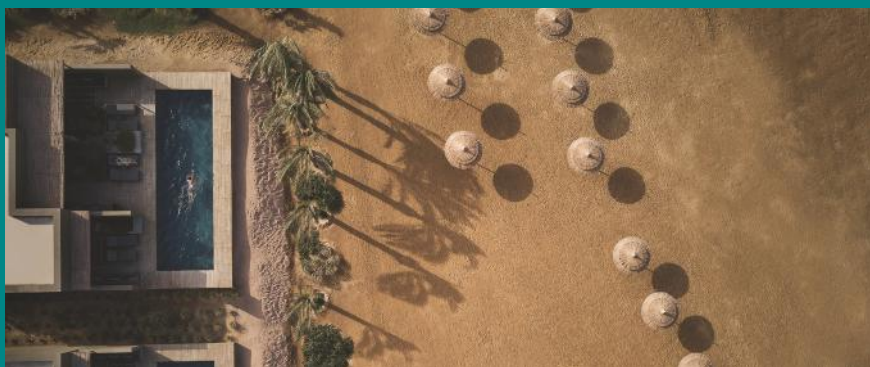
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CASA COOK EL GOUNA, EGYPT

El Gouna's watery inlets make this Red Sea town somewhat reminiscent of romantic Venice. Casa Cook El Gouna, a luxury beachfront hotel, offers couples suites adorned with boho-chic aesthetics. Private terraces shaded by reeds provide intimate sandy spaces; the spa beckons with rejuvenating treatments; and the in-house yoga teachers offer curated programmes. The property welcomes newlyweds with its 'Dreamy Honeymoon Getaway' package, offering a wedding cake upon arrival, a breakfast served in the comfort of the room, a couples spa treatment, an exclusive sundowner cocktail and five-course dinner, plus a photoshoot at some of El Gouna's most scenic spots.

Book it: EasyJet holidays offers seven nights' B&B from £1,294 per person in a Premium Roof Terrace Room King Sea View. Includes flights from Gatwick on September 6, transfers and 23kg hold luggage. easyjet.com



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NIRVANA AT LE MÉRIDIEN ILE MAURICE, MAURITIUS

Nirvana, the exclusive adult-only wing at Le Méridien Ile Maurice, offers 51 private suites, with a separate reception area, pool bar, infinity pool and restaurant. Romantic dining experiences include floating breakfasts in private plunge pools and a barefoot barbecue on the beach. Guests staying for five nights or longer qualify for experiences such as a helicopter ride, catamaran trip, snorkelling and more.

Book it: If Only offers seven nights' half-board from £1,929 per person sharing a Nirvana Tranquil Bliss room. The price includes Air Mauritius flights from Gatwick on June 3 and private transfers. ifonly.net



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NAYARA SPRINGS, COSTA RICA

Costa Rica, with its rich biodiversity and stunning scenery, will give couples a tropical honeymoon that's as adventurous as it is romantic. Only a 20-minute drive from the Arenal volcano, Nayara Springs cranks up the wow factor, offering an immersive escape surrounded by the sounds of the rainforest. The resort has 35 Springs Villas, each with spring-heated private plunge pools overlooking the volcano.

Book it: Kuoni offers seven nights from £4,116 per person sharing a Springs Villa. Includes breakfast and economy flights from London on January 20, 2025. kuoni.co.uk

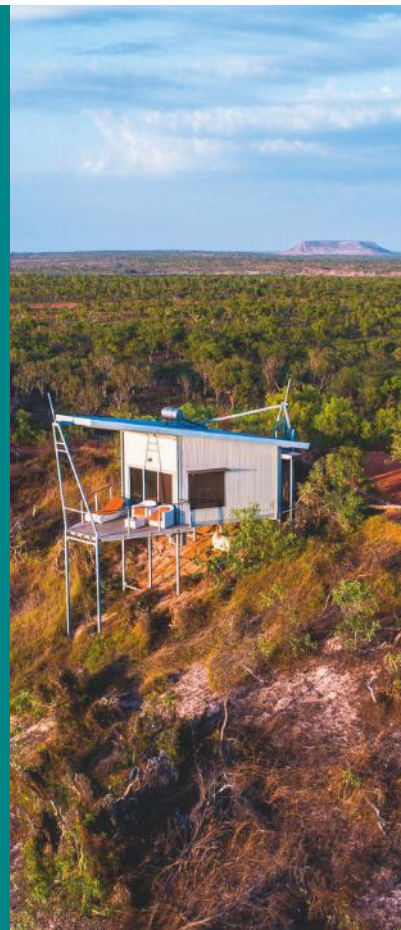


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THE BERKELEY RIVER LODGE, AUSTRALIA

If your client's idea of a honeymoon is remote luxury, they're in for a treat in Western Australia. The Berkeley River Lodge features a cliffside restaurant that serves up gastronomic delights, from Aussie Angus steaks to Tasmanian smoked salmon, against a backdrop of rugged sandstone cliffs and the gentle flow of the namesake river. Packages can include Berkeley River cruises, wildlife-watching trips in a 4x4, creek nature walks around Casuarina Falls and helicopter tours to remote areas. As the sun paints the sky with hues of pink and orange, the Dunes Bar becomes your front-row seat to an Australian sunset – the perfect setting for those 'here's to forever' moments.

Book it: Inspiring Travel offers seven nights' full-board from £6,459, including Malaysia Airlines flights from Heathrow to Kununurra via Perth, and an overnight stay at QT Hotel Perth on return, based on a September 4 departure. inspiringtravel.co.uk



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