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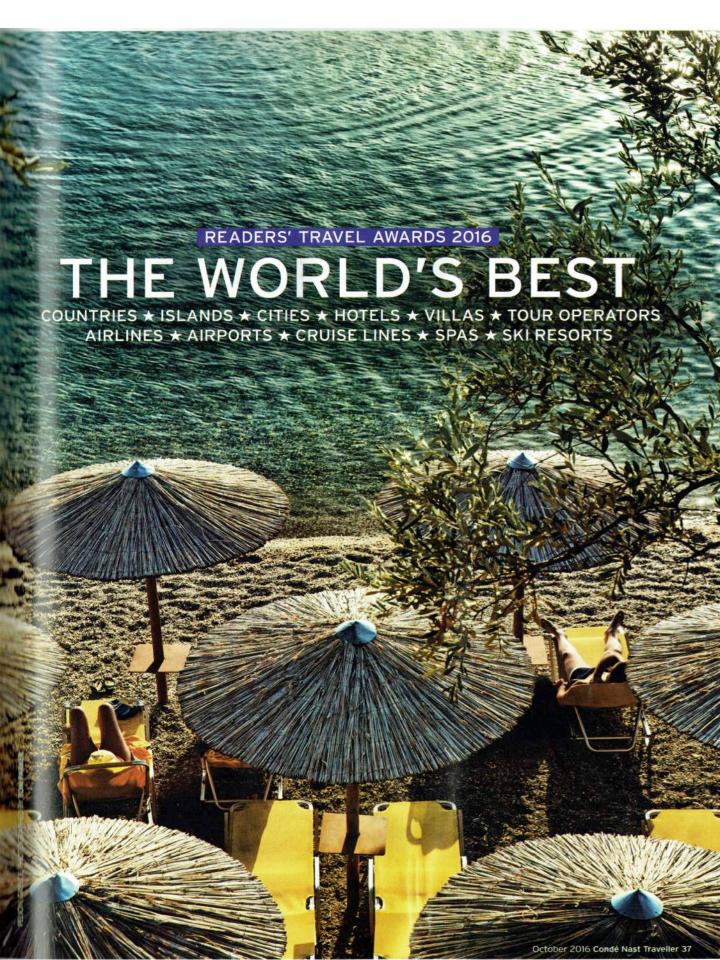
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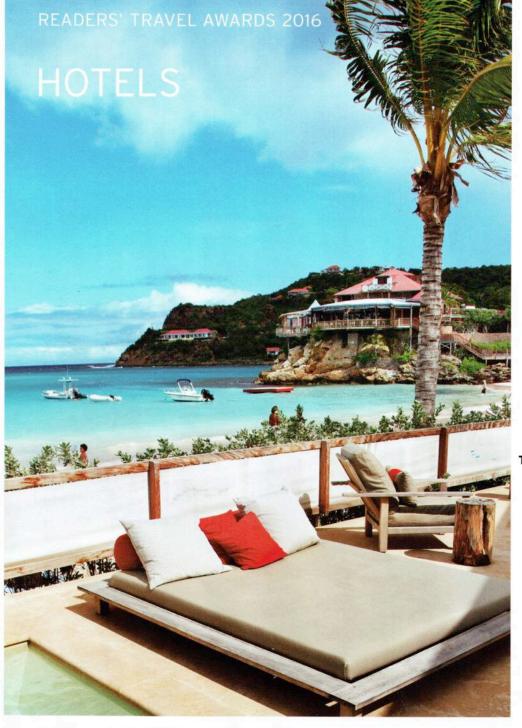
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# OVERSEAS HOLIDAY HOTELS

This year the recently revamped

Eden Rock - St Barths was so
ahead of the game in THE

AMERICAS & CARIBBEAN that
it jetted to the number-one spot
in our 'best of the best' Top 100.
You are crazy about its food and
facilities, but when it comes to
location and looks, the Post Ranch
Inn in California's Big Sur cannot

be beaten, so much so that you

awarded it BEST HOTEL IN THE WORLD FOR DESIGN.

In THE MIDDLE EAST, AFRICA & THE INDIAN OCEAN Singita

Grumeti rose to the top, at least in part thanks to its spectacular location on the edge of the mighty Serengeti, while your long-time Maldives favourite, One&Only Reethi Rah, ticked all the right boxes for service, and North Island

in the Seychelles blew you away for its royally approved bedrooms.

Over in ASIA & THE INDIAN SUBCONTINENT, you couldn't resist giving the Taj Lake Palace

in Udaipur exceptionally high scores for everything, but decided it should settle at number one for both its dreamy atmosphere and stunning location on Lake Pichola. Elsewhere, you decided the service

at **The Datai Langkawi** is the most accomplished around, and the modern design at Hong Kong's **Upper House** deserved special mention. When it comes to **AUSTRALASIA & THE SOUTH PACIFIC**, the allure of French Polynesia proved too hard to resist and you sent **The St Regis Bora Bora Resort** straight to the top of the class for its location on a tiny islet on the edge of Bora Bora's limpid lagoon and also for its romantic atmosphere.

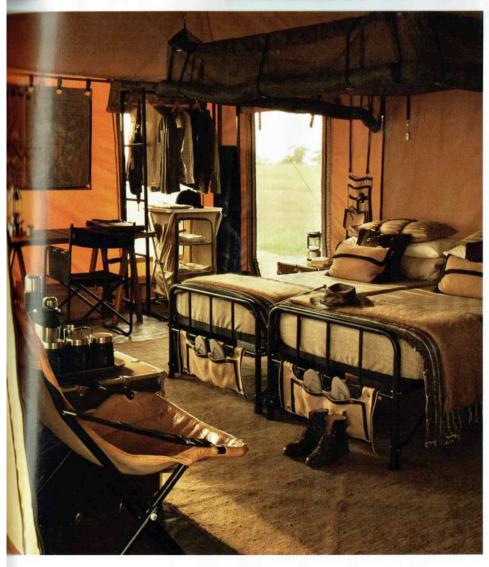
Runner-up **One&Only Hayman**Island on Australia's Great Barrier
Reef was roundly applauded for
its facilities, and handsome **Huka**Lodge in New Zealand for its design.
Your favourite place to stay in

EUROPE, TURKEY & RUSSIA is Hôtel du Cap-Eden-Roc on the French Riviera, which you say has the most beautiful location and delivers the best service, while the atmosphere at the Belmond Hotel Cipriani in

Venice is just what the doctor ordered. When it comes to food, the menus at **Belmond Hotel Splendido** in Portofino are close to perfection.

#### THE AMERICAS & CARIBBEAN

- 1 EDEN ROCK ST BARTHS 94.73
- 2 Post Ranch Inn, Big Sur, California 93.57
- 3 Cheval Blanc St-Barth Isle de France, St Barth's 91.76
- 4 Banyan Tree Mayakoba, Mexico 91.57
- 5 Crosby Street Hotel, New York 90.06
- 6 Anse Chastanet, St Lucia 90.04
- 7 The Beverly Hills Hotel, Los Angeles 88.04
- 8 COMO Parrot Cay, Turks & Caicos 86.54
- 9 Sugar Beach, A Viceroy Resort, St Lucia 84.73
- 10 Carlisle Bay, Antigua 83.36
- 11 The Ritz-Carlton, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands 82.94
- 12 Montpelier Plantation & Beach, Nevis, West Indies 80.98
- 13 Auberge du Soleil Resort, Napa Valley, California 80.51
- 14 Explora Patagonia, Chile 78.52
- 15 One&Only Ocean Club, Bahamas 76.43
- 16 Hotel Bel-Air, Los Angeles 75.82
- 17 Delano South Beach, Miami 75.32
- 18 The Inn at English Harbour, Antigua 74.86
- 19 The Carlyle, A Rosewood Hotel, New York 74.77
- 20 Sandy Lane, Barbados 73.34



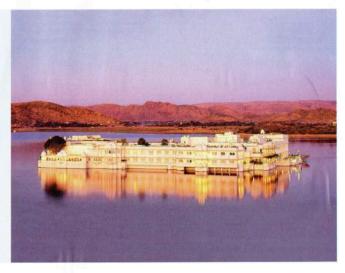
#### THE MIDDLE EAST, AFRICA & THE INDIAN OCEAN

- 1 SINGITA GRUMETI, TANZANIA 92.72
- 2 One&Only Reethi Rah, Maldives 92.63
- 3 Bushmans Kloof Wilderness Reserve & Wellness Retreat, South Africa 90.96
- 4 Fregate Island Private, Seychelles 89.27
- 5 North Island, Seychelles 88.00
- 6 La Mamounia, Marrakech 87.68
- 7 Singita Sabi Sand, South Africa 87.58
- 8 Soneva Fushi, Maldives 87.51
- 9 Four Seasons Resort Maldives at Landaa Giraavaru 85.72
- 10 Ellerman House, Cape Town 84.94
- 11 The Oberoi, Mauritius 84.51
- 12 Denis Private Island, Seychelles 83.65
- 13 Londolozi Game Reserve, South Africa 82.97
- 14 Belmond Mount Nelson Hotel, Cape Town 81.60
- 15 Banyan Tree Vabbinfaru, Maldives 81.41
- 16 The Chedi Muscat, Oman 81.15
- 17 The St Regis Mauritius Resort 80.54
- 18 Qasr Al Sarab Desert Resort by Anantara, Abu Dhabi 79.62
- 19 One&Only The Palm, Dubai 79.11
- 20 Cape View Clifton, Cape Town 78.47

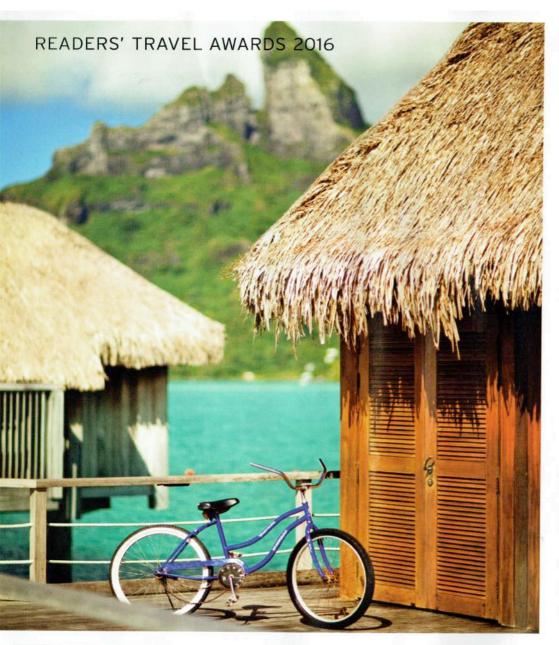
#### **ASIA & THE INDIAN SUBCONTINENT**

- 1 TAJ LAKE PALACE, UDAIPUR 92.64
- 2 The Datai Langkawi, Malaysia 91.04
- 3 Mandarin Oriental, Bangkok 89.41
- 4 The Oberoi Udaivilas, Udaipur 87.95
- 5 Raffles Singapore 87.20
- 6 The Upper House, Hong Kong 85.91
- 7 Wildflower Hall, Shimla in the Himalayas, India 84.66
- 8 Alila Villas Uluwatu, Bali 84.55
- 9 The Leela Goa, India 83.98
- 10 Banyan Tree Bangkok 82.38
- 11 The Sarojin, Khao Lak, Thailand 80.93

- 12 Four Seasons Resort Langkawi, Malaysia 80.50
- 13 Rambagh Palace, Jaipur, India 79.46
- 14 The Fullerton Hotel Singapore 78.41
- 15 Cape Weligama, Sri Lanka 77.20
- 16 Taj Falaknuma Palace, Hyderabad, India 75.81
- 17 Amanpulo, Philippines 74.15
- 18 Four Seasons Resort Chiang Mai, Thailand 73.26
- 19 Amankila, Bali 72.96
- 20 Song Saa Private Island, Cambodia 72.70



WHAT ARE ALL THESE NUMBERS? They are an index of satisfaction, scored out of a maximum of 100. In our Readers' Travel Awards 2016 questionnaire posted at cntraveller.com from 3 March to 5 May, you were asked to choose the best that the travel world has to offer – from hotels and spas to airlines and airports. You were then asked to rate your choices according to various criteria, such as service, design and value for money. From your responses, we calculated the average mark on each criterion, and used this to provide the overall satisfaction percentage figure that you see on these pages and in The World's Top 100 on page 56.



#### AUSTRALASIA & THE SOUTH PACIFIC

- 1 THE ST REGIS BORA BORA RESORT, FRENCH POLYNESIA 88.86
- 2 One&Only Hayman Island, Australia 87.18
- 3 Huka Lodge, Taupo, New Zealand 85.71
- 4 Southern Ocean Lodge, Kangaroo Island, Australia 85.10
- 5 The Byron at Byron Resort & Spa, Australia 84.97
- 6 Blanket Bay, Glenorchy, New Zealand 83.36
- 7 Emirates One&Only Wolgan Valley Resort & Spa, Australia 83.14
- 8 The Langham, Sydney 81.96
- 9 Otahuna Lodge, Christchurch, New Zealand 81.93
- 10 Freycinet Lodge, Tasmania 80.73
- 11 Four Seasons Resort Bora Bora, French Polynesia 80.43
- 12 Qualia, Hamilton Island, Australia 80.38
- 13 Longitude 131°, Uluru, Australia 79.25
- 14 Halcyon House, New South Wales, Australia 78.22
- 15 Kauri Cliffs, Matauri Bay, New Zealand 76.58
- 16 QT Sydney, Australia 76.17
- 17 Bora Bora Pearl Beach Resort & Spa, French Polynesia 74.79
- 18 Eagles Nest, Bay of Islands, New Zealand 74.26
- 19 The Brando, French Polynesia 73.22
- 20 Laucala Island, Fiji 72.55

#### **EUROPE, TURKEY & RUSSIA**

- 1 HOTEL DU CAP-EDEN-ROC, ANTIBES, FRANCE 91.54
- 2 Belmond Hotel Cipriani, Venice 91.24
- 3 Anassa, Cyprus 89.93
- 4 The Gritti Palace, a Luxury Collection Hotel, Venice 88.97
- 5 The Capri Palace Hotel & Spa, Italy 87.67
- 6 Le Bristol Paris 86.37
- 7 Belmond Hotel Splendido, Portofino, Italy 85.43
- 8 Le Meurice, Paris 83.70
- 9 Mandarin Oriental, Bodrum, Turkey 82.81
- 10 Le Royal Monceau Raffles Paris 81.05

- 11 Four Seasons Hotel Ritz Lisbon 80.40
- 12 Grand Hotel a Villa Feltrinelli, Lake Garda, Italy 79.37
- 13 W Barcelona 77.58
- 14 Hotel de Russie, Rome 76.85
- 15 Six Senses Douro Valley, Portugal 75.14
- 16 Belmond La Residencia, Mallorca 75.00
- 17 Amanzoe, Porto Heli, Greece 74.77 18 Conservatorium Hotel,
- Amsterdam 73.16
  19 Belmond Grand Hotel Timeo,
  Sicily 72.61
- 20 Ett Hem, Stockholm 71.67





## UK HOLIDAY HOTELS

Hampshire's Chewton Glen Hotel & Spa is back at number one, a position it has attained twice before, thanks to steady-as-you-go consistency in all eight criteria in this category. The Soho Hotel sashayed into second place for its design and atmosphere and last year's winner, The Pig in the New Forest, was singled out for its garden-to-plate food.

#### 1 CHEWTON GLEN HOTEL & SPA, HAMPSHIRE 88.20

- 2 The Soho Hotel, London 87.47
- 3 The Pig, Hampshire 86.89
- 4 Cliveden House, Berkshire 85.45
- 5 Ham Yard Hotel, London 83.59
- 6 The Gleneagles Hotel, Perthshire 83.46
- 7 Coworth Park, Berkshire 83.26
- 8 Lime Wood, Hampshire 82.03
- 9 Babington House, Somerset 81.11
- 10 The Kensington, London 80.71
- 11 The Gainsborough Bath Spa 80.10
- 12 Belmond Le Manoir aux Quat'Saisons, Oxfordshire 78.93
- 13 Malmaison Cheltenham 77.62
- 14 The Pig on the Beach, Dorset 77.24
- 15 Covent Garden Hotel, London 76.14
- 16 Lucknam Park Hotel & Spa, Wiltshire 75.03
- 17 The Scarlet Hotel, Cornwall 73.16
- 18 The Royal Crescent Hotel & Spa, Bath 72.68
- 19 Barnsley House, Gloucestershire 71.23
- 20 Soho Farmhouse, Oxfordshire 70.04

### **UK BUSINESS HOTELS**

When it comes to sealing the deal, you think Rosewood London is top for design, facilities and food. Claridge's impresses for its Mayfair location and service and The Ritz for its rarefied atmosphere. Of the three hotels in the Top 15 outside the capital, you most appreciate the design at Manchester's Radisson Blu Edwardian and the service at the Waldorf Astoria Edinburgh – The Caledonian.

- 1 ROSEWOOD LONDON 86.62
- 2 Claridge's, London 84.86
- 3 Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park, London 84.50
- 4 The Dorchester, London 84.09
- 5 The Ritz London 83.81
- 6 The Connaught, London 82.40
- 7 The Langham, London 81.95
- 8 Corinthia Hotel London 80.23
- 9 The Savoy, London 79.08
- 10 Waldorf Astoria Edinburgh -The Caledonian 78.87
- 11 Radisson Blu Edwardian Manchester 77.86
- 12 The Berkeley, London 76.49
- 13 Four Seasons Hotel London at Park Lane 76.13
- 14 The Lowry Hotel, Manchester 75.56
- 15 The May Fair Hotel, London 75.00

# **OVERSEAS BUSINESS HOTELS**

Once again you determined that the **Mandarin Oriental, Hong Kong** is the one to beat, insisting it has by far the best location, food and bedrooms. But when it comes to smooth-running business trips abroad, **The Peninsula Hong Kong**, across the harbour, is a sure-fire winner: it gained the highest score for service of all the hotels surveyed, walking away with the award for BEST HOTEL IN THE WORLD FOR SERVICE.

- 1 MANDARIN ORIENTAL, HONG KONG 91.43
- 2 The Peninsula Hong Kong 89.66
- 3 Four Seasons Hotel George V, Paris 89.15
- 4 Armani Hotel Dubai 87.91
- 5 JW Marriott Hotel Hong Kong 86.79
- 6 Hôtel Plaza Athénée, Paris 86.10
- 7 The St Regis Doha, Qatar 85.57
- 8 Waldorf Astoria New York 84.16
- 9 The Westbury, Dublin 82.41
- 10 Jumeirah Emirates Towers, Dubai 81.11

- 11 Park Hyatt Tokyo 79.24
- 12 Hotel Principe di Savoia, Milan 77.86
- 13 Four Seasons Hotel New York 76.46
- 14 Shangri-La Hotel Singapore 76.07
- 15 Hotel Astoria, St Petersburg 75.47
- St Petersburg /5.4/
  16 The Peninsula Bangkok 74.63
- 17 Hotel Adlon Kempinski, Berlin 73.71
- 18 The Plaza, New York 73.38
- 19 Grosvenor House, a Luxury Collection Hotel, Dubai 72.01
- 20 The Taj Mahal Palace, Mumbai 70.42



# SPAS

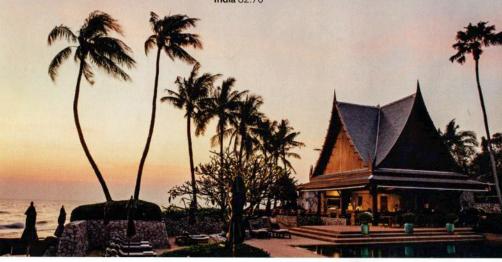
### **DESTINATION SPAS**

Thailand's Chiva-Som is your favourite destination spa in the world, thanks to its therapists, just ahead of runner-up The Original FX Mayr Health Center, which ultimately drew ahead of the competition for its range of treatments. But you reckon you get the best night's sleep anywhere in the bedrooms of the COMO Shambhala Estate on Bali.

- 1 CHIVA-SOM, HUA HIN, THAILAND 91.15
- 2 The Original FX Mayr Health Center, Austria 90.46
- 3 COMO Shambhala Estate, Bali, Indonesia 90.33
- 4 Brenners Park-Hotel & Spa, Baden-Baden, Germany 89.04
- 5 Clinique La Prairie, Switzerland 87.90
- 6 Espace Henri Chenot, Palace Merano, Italy 87.56
- 7 VIVAMAYR Resort Altaussee, Austria 86.18 8 SHA Wellness Clinic.
- Alicante, Spain 84.30 9 Vana Malsi Estate, India 82.75
- 10 Ananda in the Himalayas, India 82.70

- 11 Cal-a-Vie Health Spa, California, USA 81.65
- 12 Les Sources de Caudalie, Bordeaux, France 80.05
- 13 Mii Amo at Enchantment Resort, Arizona, USA 79.17
- 14 Parkhotel Igls, Austria 78.44 15 Monart Spa, Co Wexford,
- Ireland 77.52

  16 Terme di Saturnia Spa
- & Golf Resort, Italy 76.18
- 17 L'Institut Guerlain, Paris 75.55
- 18 BodyHoliday, St Lucia 75.23
- 19 Grand Resort Bad Ragaz, Switzerland 73.93
- 20 Canyon Ranch in Lenox, Massachusetts, USA 73.27



## UK HOTEL SPAS

This year we asked you to rate your favourite hotel and destination spas according to just four criteria: therapists, range of treatments, programmes and bedrooms. And there's nowhere better for pampering par excellence in London than

The Spa at Mandarin Oriental
Hyde Park, which you scored top for
therapists, programmes and
bedrooms, leaving its near-neighbour
the Bulgari Hotel to shine through
for the range of treatments available
at its Bulgari Spa, closely followed
by the always resourceful ESPA
Life at Corinthia.

- 1 THE SPA AT MANDARIN ORIENTAL HYDE PARK, LONDON 87.52
- 2 The Bulgari Spa, Bulgari Hotel & Residences, London 85.72
- 3 ESPA Life at Corinthia, Corinthia Hotel London 84.15
- 4 Spa Village Bath, The Gainsborough Bath Spa 82.63
- 5 The Spa, Chewton Glen, Hampshire 80.90
- 6 The Dorchester Spa, The Dorchester, London 79.25
- 7 ESPA Life, The Gleneagles Hotel, Perthshire 77.82
- 8 Sequoia at The Grove, Watford 76.15

- 9 Cowshed Spa, Babington House, Somerset 75.28
- 10 Aman Spa, The Connaught, London 74.63
- 11 The Spa, Lucknam Park Hotel & Spa, Wiltshire 74.60
- 12 C-Side Spa, Cowley Manor, Gloucestershire 72.96
- 13 The Spa at Coworth Park, Coworth Park, Berkshire 72.30
- 14 Herb House, Lime Wood, Hampshire 72.09
- 15 House Spa, Dormy House, Worcestershire 71.58

## OVERSEAS HOTEL SPAS

You heap praise on the

One&Only Spa by ESPA at Reethi Rah in the Maldives for its range of treatments, and Royal Mansour Marrakech's The Spa for having brilliant bedrooms and therapists; but when it comes to programmes, look no further than the innovative Oriental Spa at the

1 ONE&ONLY SPA BY ESPA, ONE&ONLY REETHI RAH, MALDIVES 90.24

Mandarin Oriental, Bangkok.

- 2 The Spa, Royal Mansour Marrakech 88.40
- 3 The Oriental Spa, Mandarin Oriental, Bangkok 87.23
- 4 Six Senses Spa, Six Senses Zighy Bay, Oman 85.90
- 5 Thalassa Spa, Anassa, Cyprus 84.59
- 6 COMO Shambhala Retreat, COMO Parrot Cay, Turks & Caicos 83.34
- 7 The Spa & Ayurvedic Retreat, Four Seasons Resort Maldives at Landaa Giraavaru 83.14
- 8 The Spa, The Nam Hai, Hoi An, Vietnam 82.26
- 9 Banyan Tree Spa, Banyan Tree Phuket, Thailand 80.79
- 10 One&Only Spa by ESPA, One&Only Le Saint Géran, Mauritius 80.48
- 11 Spa Le Bristol by La Prairie, Le Bristol Paris 80.00
- 12 Spa My Blend by Clarins, Le Royal Monceau – Raffles Paris 79.99
- 13 Sense, A Rosewood Spa, Rosewood Mayakoba, Mexico 78.24
- 14 The Datai Spa, The Datai Langkawi, Malaysia 76.53
- 15 LIME Spa, Per Aquum Huvafen Fushi, Maldives 74.80
- 16 Six Senses Spa, Six Senses Laamu, Maldives 74.37
- 16 Cheval Blanc Spa, Cheval Blanc St-Barth Isle de France, St Barth's 74.37
- 18 One&Only Spa, One&Only Hayman Island, Australia 72.89
- 19 The Spa, Twelve Apostles Hotel & Spa, Cape Town 71.47
- 20 Spa Village Pangkor Laut, Pangkor Laut Resort, Malaysia 70.73

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- 4 Greek Islands 93.27
- 5 Singita Grumeti, Tanzania 92.72
- 6 Taj Lake Palace, Udaipur 92.64
- 7 One&Only Reethi Rah, Maldives 92.63
- 8 Greece 92.51
- 9 Italy 92.46 10 Balearic Islands 91.83
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- 23 COMO Shambhala Estate, Bali 90.33
- 24 One&Only Spa by ESPA, One&Only Reethi Rah, Maldives 90.24

- 25 Crosby Street Hotel, New York 90.06
- 26 Anse Chastanet, St Lucia 90.04
- 27 Anassa, Cyprus 89.93
- 28 France 89.92
- 29 The Peninsula Hong Kong 89.66
- 30 Spain 89.63
- 30 Seychelles 89.63
- 32 Regent Seven Seas Cruises 89.59
- 33 Mandarin Oriental, Bangkok 89.41
- 34 Fregate Island Private, Seychelles 89.27
- 35 Four Seasons Hotel George V, Paris 89.15
- 36 Brenners Park-Hotel & Spa, Baden-Baden, Germany 89.04
- 37 Rome 89.01
- 38 The Gritti Palace, a Luxury Collection Hotel, Venice 88.97
- 39 Holland America Line 88.86
- 39 The St Regis Bora Bora Resort, French Polynesia 88.86
- 41 St Lucia 88.62
- 42 Bali 88.45
- 43 The Spa, Royal Mansour Marrakech 88.40
- 43 India 88.40
- 45 Chewton Glen Hotel & Spa, Hampshire 88.20
- 46 The Beverly Hills Hotel, Los Angeles 88.04
- 47 North Island, Seychelles 88.00
- 48 The Oberoi Udaivilas, Udaipur 87.95
- 49 Armani Hotel Dubai 87.91

- 50 Clinique La Prairie, Switzerland 87.90
- 51 La Mamounia, Marrakech 87.68
- 52 The Capri Palace Hotel & Spa, Italy 87.67
- **53 Cape Town** 87.60
- 54 Singita Sabi Sand, South Africa 87.58
- 55 Espace Henri Chenot, Palace Merano, Italy 87.56
- 56 The Spa at Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park, London 87.52
- 57 Soneva Fushi, Maldives 87.51
- 58 The Soho Hotel, London 87.47
- 58 Crystal Cruises 87.47
- 60 Koh Samui 87.30
- 61 New York 87.24
- 62 The Oriental Spa, Mandarin Oriental, Bangkok 87.23
- 63 Raffles Singapore 87.20
- 64 One&Only Hayman Island, Australia 87.18
- 65 Australia 86.95
- **66 The Pig, Hampshire** 86.89
- 67 Malta 86.84
- 68 JW Marriott Hotel Hong Kong 86.79
- 69 Rosewood London 86.62
- 70 COMO Parrot Cay, Turks & Caicos 86.54
- 71 Le Bristol Paris 86.37
- **72 London** 86.22
- 73 VIVAMAYR Resort Altaussee, Austria 86.18
- 74 Celebrity Cruises 86.16
- 75 Hôtel Plaza Athénée, Paris 86.10
- 76 Thailand 86.07

- 77 The Upper House, Hong Kong 85.91
- 78 Six Senses Spa, Six Senses Zighy Bay, Oman 85.90
- **79 Edinburgh** 85.83
- 80 Paris 85.76
- 81 Mexico 85.74
- 82 The Bulgari Spa, Bulgari Hotel & Residences, London 85.72
- 82 Four Seasons Resort Maldives at Landaa Giraavaru 85.72
- 84 Huka Lodge, Taupo, New Zealand 85.71
- 85 St Barth's 85.69
- 86 The St Regis Doha, Qatar 85.57
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- 88 Belmond Hotel Splendido, Portofino, Italy 85.43
- 89 Scott Dunn 85.21
- 90 Southern Ocean Lodge, Kangaroo Island, Australia 85.10
- 91 The Byron at Byron Resort & Spa, Australia 84.97
- 92 Ellerman House, Cape Town 84.94
- 93 Cazenove+Loyd 84.93
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- 96 Claridge's,
  - London 84.86
- **97 New Zealand** 84.78
- 98 Sugar Beach, A Viceroy Hotel, St Lucia 84.73
- 99 Wildflower Hall, Shimla in the Himalayas, India 84.66
- 100 Thalassa Spa, Anassa, Cyprus 84.59

### HOW OUR QUESTIONNAIRE PRODUCED YOUR 'BEST OF THE BEST' LIST

Questionnaires were posted at cntraveller.com from 3 March to 5 May 2016. The results were collated and analysed by an independent market-research company called Market Management. The 25 categories for nominations are listed below, with the criteria by which they were judged. Figures for all criteria and the Top 100 are percentages representing overall average levels of satisfaction.

Countries Scenery • Food • Culture • Places to stay • Value for money • People Islands Beaches • Scenery • Food • Places to stay • People • Value for money UK & overseas cities Architecture • Culture • Restaurants and bars • Nightlife • People • Places to stay Ski resorts Restaurants and bars • Hotels and chalets • Atmosphere • Range and quality of runs • Lift system/efficiency UK holiday hotels Design • Value for money • Food • Location • Service • Rooms • Facilities • Atmosphere UK & overseas business hotels Design • Value for money • Food • Location • Service • Rooms • Facilities • Atmosphere Overseas holiday hotels: Europe, Turkey & Russia; the Americas & Caribbean; the Middle East, Africa & the Indian Ocean; Asia & the Indian subcontinent; Australasia & the South Pacific Design • Value for money • Food • Location • Service • Rooms • Facilities • Atmosphere Airlines: short- & long-haul holidays Food • Airport lounge • Service • Noon\* • Indian • Location • Shops • Efficiency of security checks Cruise lines: small & large ships Design • Facilities • Pood • Cabins • Service • Entertainment • Itinerary Tour operators & specialist tour operators Reliability • Variety of destinations/focus on single destinations • Service • Ranges of places to stay • First-hand knowledge of destination villa rental companies Range of villas • Range of treatments • Programmes • Bedrooms • Presentation of villas • On-the-ground support \$pas in UK & overseas hotels; destination spas Therapists • Range of treatments • Programmes • Bedrooms