

The Most Romantic Hotels for Couples –and Celebrities!



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Finding a secret hideaway as a famous couple is difficult. Paparazzi follow you everywhere, and you need some good fences and security to really make that vacation a relaxing one. Despite these difficulties, there are some places that make it possible. Read on for information on the most romantic hotels and which famous couples have stayed the night there. To make your very own reservation, check out www.luxury-hotels.com.

1. GoldenEye Hotel & Resort (St. Mary, Jamaica)

Once owned by James Bond creator Ian Fleming, this hotel is a purely romantic experience with a celebrity twist. It is not an ordinary hotel, but instead a compound of luxurious private villas. Each of them offers its own private world, set amid spectacular tropical gardens and embellished with extraordinary comforts, amenities and service. Fleming's three-bedroom villa is particularly popular as it still contains the writer's Jamaican red bullet wood desk. This also includes three individual bedrooms (each with outdoor garden bath and rain shower), a private swimming pool and a secluded beach. During the day, you can explore the coves and at night, sit at Fleming's old desk to write a love letter – or perhaps even the next great spy novel.

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2. Chateau Marmont (Los Angeles, USA)

Ever since its opening in 1929, the Chateau Marmont hotel has been a discreet movie star getaway. In addition to the private guest bungalows, the establishment comes with the popular Bar Marmont, and a see-and-be-seen restaurant. Kate Bosworth and True Blood's Alexander Skarsgard were spotted kissing at Chateau, while Lindsay Lohan and Avril Lavigne had a bar brawl here. Twilight stars Kristen Stewart and Robert Pattinson spent the night together at the hotel, whilst Tila Tequila and Meghan McCain were seen lunching.

The courtyard has welcomed Jennifer Aniston, John Mayer, and Billy Crudup, and the patio has been home to Eva Longoria and Christina Applegate. The restaurant's living room is where Sienna Miller and Josh Hartnett cozied up and on one single night, actresses Lindsay Lohan, Charlize Theron, and Mary-Kate Olsen all graced the halls. You won't just feel like a star at Chateau Marmont, you may actually see some while you're here.

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3. Oyster Box Hotel (Umhlanga, South Africa)

Prince Albert and his wife Charlene Wittstock went all the way to South Africa for their honeymoon (after all, the bride is a native). Here, they decided to stay at the Oyster Box Hotel. Set on the Indian Ocean and opened in 1947, this hotel quickly gained a legendary reputation thanks to its combination of colonial charm, impeccable service, lush tropical gardens and breathtaking seaside setting. If you want the presidential suite where Prince Albert and his wife stayed, be prepared to splurge – it has its own terrace and private dining area for \$7,350 a night.

4. Gramercy Park Hotel (New York City, USA)

The Gramercy Park Hotel is the place to be if you want to be hip, famous and beautiful. Even if you're staying the night elsewhere, you can still visit the Rose Bar, whose velvet-heavy décor has made it the epicenter of the New York bar scene. Janet Jackson was recently there to admire the artwork on view at the Rose Bar, while Kid Rock smoked a cigarette outside. Chace Crawford, in turn, met some business partners there, while Sting was also seen staying at the hotel. The celeb legacy dates all the way back to Humphrey Bogart who got married here, and Babe Ruth who was a regular among the bar guests.