

GET excited

– it's our honeymoon issue!

We asked Small Luxury Hotels Of The World to tell us what 'mooners' can expect in 2018/19 – and here are the travel trends we're loving...

Hands-on luxe

Curating your experience just got even more bespoke: at Hotel Magna Pars Suites Milano, an old perfume factory, you can choose your room's fragrance (scents are created in the hotel's LabSolve lab); at The VIEW Lugano, Switzerland, *everything* in your suite (down to the colour of the toilet paper) is chosen by you. But the ultimate 'OMG, seriously?!' trend? The 700,000 Hours hotel (by the brains behind Morocco's Dar Ahlam) is the first wandering hotel in the world. Its location changes every six months; sign up as a member and you get a say in where it ends up (Psst, the next location is Angkor, Cambodia.)

Novel gazing

The desire to take a 'holiday' from technology has led to a resurgence of literature in small hotels, who are paying homage to writers and classic novels, plus offering libraries, reading rooms and book butlers. The Betsy South Beach in Miami celebrates its Pulitzer links with a Writers' Room where guests can interact with local creatives; Le Pavillon des Lettres in Paris has literary room service with a menu of books; at Kristiania Lech in Austria a book butler will create bespoke reading lists to reflect your tastes.

Night nurses

It's not enough to offer a pillow menu and a comfy bed – hotels are now competing to guarantee

Spiritual stories We're no longer content with just a deep-tissue massage: spa-ing now is all about entwining treatments with spirituality – from visiting rejuvenating ancient power spots at Japan's Sankara Hotel & Spa Yakushima, to night-time treatments under the stars as you float in the pool or even the sea at Spa Village Resort Tembok Bali.

optimum rest in more original ways. Our pick? The Sleep By Design therapy and Sleepdown service at 137 Pillars Suites Bangkok and 137 Pillars House in Chiang Mai. First, have a 90-minute treatment with massage, acupuncture and reiki. Then, a sleep butler draws you a special bath and whips up a blend of 'dream' tea before magnesium oil is applied to 10 pressure points on your body. This all prepares your brain to go into full recovery sleep.

Intuitive dining

There's nothing better than a hotel where it feels they've read your mind, and properties are now extending this to the food, with 'when you want, where you want' dining. Paper menus and inflexible dining rituals are disregarded at Dar Ahlam in Morocco, Ett Hem in Sweden and Foxhill Manor in the UK – so fancy a breakfast of baked harissa eggs in a private nook at 1pm? Done. Midnight feast in the living room? No problem. You'll also find yourselves conveniently surprised just when you're feeling peckish... now *that's* service.

And one for *really* adventurous couples (we dare you...)

DESTINATION? UNKNOWN!

Cool company Wix Squared has launched a new 'mystery travel' service – give them your budget and they'll plan *everything*; you won't even know where you're off to until you log into the app at the airport. *Brides* travel contributor Ianthe Butt was one of the first to try it: 'Before my trip, I had a long chat with Wix Squared about my likes, travel bugbears and what would make my holiday special. During my trip (which turned out to be to Morocco), I was amazed at the attention to detail, from a bottle of gin (my favourite tippie) appearing in my room, to a coffee stop at a bohemian villa (I'd said I loved a good brew). Other fun touches included traditional gifts giving clues to the next part of the adventure, such as a Moroccan puzzle box with a note hinting at the next destination.' wixsquared.com

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WHETHER YOU CHOOSE CAMBODIA OR COMPORTA, BORA BORA OR THE BAHAMAS, HONEYMOON STYLE THIS SEASON IS ALL ABOUT FLIRTY, FUN, FEMININE PIECES

Acrylic bag, from £197.61, cultgaia.com

Silk dress, £1,500, suzannah.com

Sunglasses with detachable jewels, £469, jimmychoo.com

Satin beaded headband, £360, jenniferbehr.com

Straw hat, £510, Marysia x Lola Hats at marysia.com

Glass stone and silk tassel earrings, £325, elizabethcolejewelry.com

Bandeau bikini top, £105, and bottoms, £140, marysia.com

Crystal, glass and silk earrings, £265, elizabethcolejewelry.com

Sequined tulle mini dress, £295, J. Crew at net-a-porter.com

Lycra bikini top, £135, and bottoms, £180, zimmermannwear.com

Raffia pom-pom bag, £120, marrilondon.co.uk →