

Go back to nature in Crete

Kapsaliana Village Hotel is where luxury, hospitality and sustainability meet



Kapsaliana Village Hotel in Rethymno, Crete is a pioneer in the modern-day trend for back-to-nature luxury holidays. The hotel seeks to reintroduce guests to the terms luxury, hospitality and sustainability, it's stripped away contemporary excess in favour of harmony and, through a deep respect for Kapsaliana's Cretan history, has ensured that the Kapsaliana of today embodies both hospitality and luxury. Kapsaliana is a pure 'green village' immersed in wild nature. Its actual story has been inspired and shaped by its current day manifestation. The hotel is found in a once thriving, autonomous and self-sustainable community of 50 inhabitants, which was once centred around a prolific olive mill. But over time, the village fell into a state of neglect – and it would still lie in ruins if it was not for architect and owner, Myron Tsapoyannis, who rediscovered the area, fell in love with it and decided

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to bring it back to life.

Kapsaliana today is a bastion to its past and has been transformed anew into a unique hospitality experience that seamlessly blends past and present. It's drawn inspiration from the principles that guided the people of Kapsaliana in the past, showing its utmost respect for the setting and for the people who once lived here and wholeheartedly praising its community's autonomy, sustainability and collaboration.



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Maldivian luxury for families

Fairmont Maldives, Sirru Fen Fushi has a host of fun activities for families on the beach and within the resort

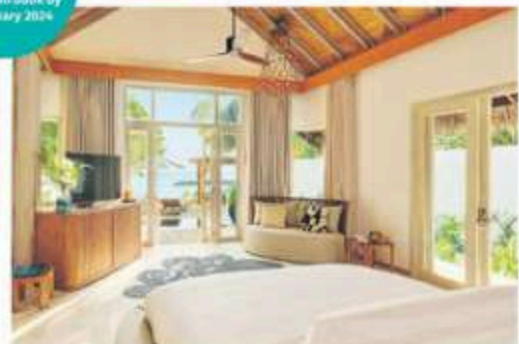
Extending Indian Ocean luxury, Fairmont Maldives, Sirru Fen Fushi is an idyllic haven set on a natural island in the Shaviyani Atoll. Boasting elegant villa accommodations ranging from chic beach hideaways to spacious over-water bungalows, the five-star resort resides in the embrace of pure paradise, where each moment unfolds against a backdrop of extraordinary natural beauty and unparalleled hospitality. Encircled by a seven-mile-long house reef, every moment in the water promises to enchant, while spacious decks allow guests to embrace splendid ocean vistas from the privacy of their villas, each

boasting a private pool and dedicated villa host who attends to every guest's needs 24/7.

With the resort's All Inclusive package, families can experience a seamless retreat as children under 12 years stay and dine for free and its summertime from May to September up to 14 years old. The comprehensive offering not only includes dining at the resort's three restaurants and bar but also exclusive access to the island's stunning coastline, inviting guests to embark on explorations with complimentary sea kayaks, paddleboards and snorkelling gear. For something exceptionally



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unique, guests can swim to the incredible Conularium – the Maldives' first and only underwater art installation, which doubles as a coral regeneration project, showcasing the natural growth of live corals. Younger guests can delight in the island life with teen programmes and various engaging activities at the resort's dedicated kids' club, including cinema nights, treasure hunts and coconut painting with the resident local artist. Exploring the tranquil beauty of the island is encouraged through captivating cycling excursions throughout the landscape or unwinding with a group yoga session for adults or children. No stay is complete without a dip in the iconic 200-metre infinity pool – the longest in the Maldives – or a visit to the award-winning Fairmont Spa for sensational wellness treatments inspired by nature's elements. Every day, guests can enjoy music and entertainment hosted by the resident DJ and singer, the perfect prelude to unwinding in the serene ambience of their spacious villas.



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Portugal's sun-blessed southern coast promises an all-encompassing winter getaway, and Details Hotels & Resorts' eight properties in the region are the ideal place to begin

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in Carvoeiro combine comfort and nature, just a stone's throw from top coastal attractions, theme parks and golf courses. In Albufeira, the Topazio Vibe Beach Hotel & Apartments, Aqua Pedra dos Ilheos Design Hotel and California Urban Beach Hotel have a kaleidoscope of bars, restaurants and beaches on the doorstep. Alternatively, Bertolina Guest House is a welcoming home-from-home in the heart of Albufeira's Old Town, and Velamar Boutique Hotel caters to those seeking tranquility.

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Encounters with 'The People of the Forest'

Encompassing rich cities, stunning landscapes and captivating cultures, Mercury Holidays' Southeast Asia trips have something for every type of traveller – including observing orangutans

From the stunning cityscape of Kuala Lumpur to the captivatingly colourful Bornean Forest, this life-changing tour from Mercury Holidays has it all.

The name 'The People of the Forest' is a moniker that derives from an Aboriginal legend, which suggests orangutans originated as a tribe of humans who went to hide in the forest to avoid oppressive rulers who sought to subjugate their populations and create a nation of slaves. This sentiment will ring true for you as you escape the hustle and bustle of everyday life and find yourself transported into a unique world of vast and varied cultural charms; characterised by breathtaking architecture and beautiful natural bounties.

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to immerse yourself in the 'Garden City', sampling some of the much-famed local cuisine and admiring the impressive cultural centre's skyline.

And, for the finale of this incredible adventure, you'll be taken to the Semenggoh Nature Reserve where you can make your way along its network of wooden walkways and observe the quirky and unique characters of these magnificent primates as they go about their daily business. One thing's for certain: once you've encountered 'The People of the Forest' in their natural habitats, you'll leave this tour feeling amazed, enriched and uplifted. This touring adventure includes 26 meals

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