

# WHY DO IT YOURSELF?

Sometimes you just need space to spread out, a little extra privacy, perhaps a fridge to stash snacks and the makings of a few meals – but you still crave hotel service and amenities. Hotel villas blend the best of both worlds. Here are a few of our favorites – plus those coveted Virtuoso perks.

## HOTEL HIGHLIGHTS

## STELLAR RATE

## PERKS

### CASTIGLION DEL BOSCO MONTALCINO, ITALY

One of the largest private estates in Tuscany, this 32-room retreat boasts a spa, restaurants and bar, a golf course, and a culinary academy. Nine villas range from three to five bedrooms, each with heated swimming pools and covered terraces; some have pool houses and private tennis courts.



Three-bedroom villas from \$3,548.

Breakfast daily, plus a wine tour and tasting.

#### ADVISOR TIP:

"It's in a fantastic location, and so I always remind clients that they must tear themselves away from the property for a little bit to see the fabulous towns and vineyards in the area."

### SHEEN FALLS LODGE KENMARE, COUNTY KERRY, IRELAND



Outdoor adventures await at this eighteenth-century fishing lodge nestled on Kenmare Bay, from horseback riding to clay pigeon shooting, golf, and, of course, fishing. The villas at this 85-room property range from a two-bedroom, two-story thatched-roof cottage (equipped with a La Cornue stove in the kitchen) to a five-bedroom home with a children's playground.

Two-bedroom Little Hay Cottage from \$1,065.

Breakfast daily, a bottle of wine and a hamper of fresh food on arrival, complimentary parking, and an excursion in the hotel's 1936 Buick Roadmaster convertible.

### HOTEL DEL CORONADO CORONADO, CALIFORNIA

Set away from the 757-room main hotel – a historic tourist attraction in its own right – Hotel Del's Beach Village is a private enclave of 78 ocean-view rooms and suites with private pools and a separate front desk and concierge. One- to three-bedroom suites have kitchens, fireplaces, and plenty of space – plus access to all the Del has to offer.



One-bedroom garden-view villas from \$650.

Breakfast and a \$50 resort credit daily.

#### ADVISOR TIP:

"I prefer the units behind the oceanfront villas with a partial ocean view. Though the oceanfront views are better, a public path in front of those units means less privacy."



### CUISINART RESORT & SPA RENDEZVOUS BAY, ANGUILLA

The whitewashed one- to five-bedroom villas set off from the 93-room main hotel have private pools (in most), wood floors, full kitchens, and huge living rooms. The beach is one of the island's most beautiful, the spa is expansive, and the restaurant's menu features vegetables from the world's only resort hydroponic farm.

Two-bedroom garden villa from \$1,225; book three nights and the fourth night is free.

Breakfast daily and one 50-minute spa treatment.

#### ADVISOR TIP:

"Don't miss Caribbean Night on Friday: Feast on all the grilled lobster you want."

### THE VERANDA PROVIDENCIALES, TURKS & CAICOS

A residential-style resort on Grace Bay Beach, The Veranda has 123 suites and cottages. We like the eight beachfront cottages, spacious homes with private pools, barbecue grills, and white picket fences that allow direct access to the beach. The hotel has a spa, restaurants, and a kids' club, among other offerings.



Studio suite from from \$544.

Breakfast daily and a \$100 resort credit (guests can also donate the \$100 to the Grace Bay Resorts Community Foundation).