

WORTH THE TRIP PRINCELY PERKS

In the race to attract travelers to far-flung corners of the earth, high-end resorts are getting creative. Personal submersibles, pearl-powder facials, even picnics on a pop-up sandbar—these are some of the most over-the-top amenities from the Bahamas to Bhutan. —Heidi Mitchell



SCREEN TIME

DOUBLE VISION

Olivier Assayas and Kristen Stewart reunite for *Personal Shopper*.

INSPIRATION CUTS both ways for French director Olivier Assayas and his American muse Kristen Stewart. Assayas wrote the role of Maureen Cartwright in his latest movie, *Personal Shopper* (opening March 10), specifically for the 26-year-old actress. “If there had been no Kristen,” he says, “there would have been no film.”

Stewart, who plays the haunted assistant to a Parisian supermodel, was struck by her character’s duality: “Maureen is drawn to aesthetics and things that are implicitly superficial,” she says. “But she also has a disdain for these things.”

Personal Shopper, which earned Assayas the best director award at the 2016 Cannes Film Festival, is the second project he has written and directed featuring Stewart. She had a supporting role in 2014’s *Clouds of Sils Maria*, for which she became the only American actress ever to win a French César Award. Indeed, the experience of working with Assayas—who recently finished writing the screenplay for Roman Polanski’s *Based on a True Story*—encouraged Stewart to direct her short, *Come Swim*, which premiered at this year’s Sundance Film Festival. “I could sense that he was proud,” says Stewart, who gave Assayas an early look at the film, “and he said that I was off in the right direction.” —Tobias Grey

	DESTINATION	PEDIGREE	HEAD TOTOE	ON THE GO	MEAL PLAN	LOCAL ADVENTURE	KEEPSAKES
	 LAUCALCA ISLAND Fiji	 HÔTEL HERMITAGE Monaco	 COMO UMA Bhutan	 HELENA BAY LODGE New Zealand	 MUSHA CAY Bahamas	 AMANEMU Japan	
	Sold by publishing magnate Malcolm Forbes to Red Bull billionaire Dietrich Mateschitz. 	A 19th-century Belle Epoque darling with a lobby by Gustave Eiffel. 	Two hotels separated by a Himalayan valley, owned by the elusive Singaporean entrepreneur Christina Ong.	A new five-room estate on two miles of North Island beach, reportedly owned by Russian steel baron Alexander Abramov. 	Illusionist David Copperfield’s own island retreat. 	Aman’s newest resort, a hot springs retreat in Ise-Shima National Park, on the shores of Ago Bay. 	
	Butlers draw baths of coconut milk in open-air tubs. 	Three-minute treatments in a -166° F cryotherapy chamber. 	Sessions with resident doctor Nikhil S. Pawar, a specialist in posture alignment.	On-call therapist obviates the need for spa menus.	Body scrubs using hand-harvested volcanic soil and salt from the island.	Onsen baths; eye masks made with free-diver-harvested pearls.	
	Explore the reef in a DeepFlight Super Falcon submersible. 	Maseratis on call to shuttle guests between casino, beach club and spa. 	Bhutan’s first private helicopter tours whisk guests between the sister properties, eliminating the need for the five-hour car transfer.	Buggies and e-bikes ferry guests around the resort’s 800 acres. 	Charter flights arrive on Musha’s own landing strip. 	Helicopter charter from Nagoya (otherwise it’s a two-and-a-half-hour drive).	
	Wagyu beef, eggs from Austrian Sulmtaler chickens and heritage pork from the resort farm. 	World-renowned chef Alain Ducasse prepares private meals for guests on request. 	Dine with a local farming couple in their traditional house or on the hotel’s archery field. 	Just-butchered Wagyu from the on-site farm, prepared by chef Michele Martino of Italy’s Michelin-starred Don Alfonso 1890.	A flat-bottom boat pulls up to a picnic on a two-mile-long sandbar that disappears after lunch. 	Fish with an expert angler from a sheltered shore; chefs prepare the catch tempura- and sushi-style.	
	Visit the on-site orchid garden featuring 4,000-plus varieties. 	Watch Formula One races from your balcony or the exclusive paddock lounge just beside the racetrack. 	Seven-night glamping treks, at an altitude of 16,000 feet. 	Helicopter trips to the Hobbiton set to experience Tolkien’s Middle-earth. 	Dive to an underwater art installation or go on an elaborate treasure hunt. 	Learn the ancient practice of zazen meditation in Shima’s hydrangea-draped Daijiji Temple.	
	Weave a masi basket in one of Fiji’s last traditional villages. laucalca.com	Ladurée macarons in exclusive flavors. montecarlosbm.com	Custom wellness plan to keep that zenned-out vibe going. comohotels.com	Honey made by resident bees. helenabay.com 	Selfies taken at Houdini’s own pool table. mushacay.com	Incense, <i>ise-katagami</i> bookmarks and other surprises left at turndown. amanemu.com	

DOUBLE VISION, FROM LEFT: MICHAEL BUCKNER/VARIETY/REX/SHUTTERSTOCK; COURTESY OF IFC FILMS; CHART, FROM LEFT, TOP TO BOTTOM: KLAUS LORKE PHOTOGRAPHY (2); DAMINI/ALAMY STOCK PHOTO; VLADYSLAV SIABER/ALAMY STOCK PHOTO; MONTE-CARLO SOCIÉTÉ DES BAINS DE MER; NADAR/BETTMAN/GETTY IMAGES; MONTE-CARLO SOCIÉTÉ DES BAINS DE MER; OLEKSY MAKSYMENKO PHOTOGRAPHY/ALAMY STOCK PHOTO; PIERRE MONETTA/DAANE MILLER/ALAMY STOCK PHOTO; COMO HOTELS & RESORTS; COMO HOTELS & RESORTS; GIVAGA/SHUTTERSTOCK; COURTESY OF HELENA BAY LODGE; DUCKYARDS/GETTY IMAGES; COURTESY OF HELENA BAY LODGE; MARY EVANS/RONALD GRANT/EVERETT COLLECTION; DANIEL PRUDEK/SHUTTERSTOCK; COURTESY OF MUSHA CAY AND THE ISLANDS OF COPPERFIELD BAY; HARRY LANGDON/GETTY IMAGES; DANIEL POLOHA/ALAMY STOCK PHOTO; LI DING/ALAMY STOCK PHOTO; APIC/GETTY IMAGES; AMAN (3)