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HOW SUITE IT IS

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There are always new incarnations of luxury, but true luxury is unmistakable and at its best—transcendent. And luxury doesn't just mean over-the-top opulence; sometimes it's simply in the exquisite attention to detail, the outstanding service that makes you feel like the sole guest of the hotel or the overall experience of feeling absolute comfort in your temporary home-away-from-home. So whether you're heading to St. Barths to relax in a sumptuous beach haven, to Tanzania for an up-close look at the Serengeti's abundant wildlife or to a nearby city for an impromptu getaway, we've scoured the globe to bring you the best of the best new suites, plus a few established classics, that will surpass any notion you had of luxury and redefine the standards to which you hold all others.

101 TOP HOTEL SUITES

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Palm Springs | California

**RIVIERA RESORT & SPA
THE PRESIDENTIAL SUITE**

Square Footage | 1,761

Why We Love It | Revamped as part of the \$70 million dollar relaunch of this landmark Palm Springs property, the two-story Presidential Suite, a favorite in its heyday of Old Hollywood stars such as Dean Martin and Frank Sinatra, melds modern sophistication with 60s era-inspired design elements.

Rate | From \$3,800

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Newport Beach | California

**THE RESORT AT PELICAN HILL
FOUR BEDROOM VILLA**

Square Footage | 3,581

Why We Love It | When you book this newly-opened hotel's top accommodation you'll be treated like the celebs who've already stayed here, including Greg Kinnear, Darren Starr and Mark Wahlberg. Extensive pre-arrival planning via phone and email will ensure that everything is suited to your specifications including the aromatherapy used in the villa, personal shopper arrangements and specially-prepared candle-lit dinners.

Rate | \$2,700-\$4,200

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● **Catalina Suite, Montage Laguna Beach**

"I am obsessed with the Catalina Suite at the Montage Laguna Beach Hotel. My husband, Bill, and I love escaping there for the weekend and indulging in this beachside palace! The suite is stunning and the resort is truly magical."



Laguna Beach | California

**MONTAGE LAGUNA BEACH
CATALINA SUITE**

Square Footage | 2,800, plus 700-square-foot balcony

Why We Love It | Beachy elegance dominates the décor of this spacious suite where guests can take in the panoramic views of the Pacific Ocean and Catalina Island from the 700-square-foot balcony or on chillier nights, rest in front of the double-sided fireplace.

Rate | From \$6,500

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THE GRAND DEL MAR



MONTAGE BEVERLY HILLS



ROSEWOOD SAND HILL

San Diego | California

**THE GRAND DEL MAR
MIZNER SUITE**

Square Footage | 2,840

Why We Love It | Inspired by the architecture of Addison Mizner, for whom the suite was named, the décor reflects his Mediterranean design sensibilities as demonstrated in the use of wood-beamed ceilings, decorative arches, stone-column verandas and stone and wrought-iron accents.

Rate | \$3,500-\$5,500

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Beverly Hills | California

**MONTAGE BEVERLY HILLS
PRESIDENTIAL SUITE**

Square Footage | 2,025

Why We Love It | New to the Beverly Hills scene, this stately suite can be combined with two guestrooms and the Governor Suite to create a four-bedroom residence that spans 5,000 square feet and features sweeping Hollywood Hills vistas from the outdoor terrace. Guests of this suite also receive complimentary use of a Mercedes-Benz to cruise around in.

Rate | From \$7,500

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Menlo Park | California

**ROSEWOOD SAND HILL
TWO-BEDROOM PRESIDENTIAL VILLA**

Square Footage | 2,372

Why We Love It | Floor-to-ceiling glass in every room showcases spectacular views of the scenic Santa Cruz Mountains, and the understated color palette echoes the natural surrounding landscape, making this newly-unveiled suite a soothing retreat in the Silicon Valley area.

Rate | \$3,500

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