

## Paradise Asia (Series 2)

23 x 30'

### EPISODIC BREAKDOWN

#### 1. Bali, Indonesia, Part I

Nestled in an exclusive estate surrounded by lush greenery and verdant rice fields, the Chedi Club at Tanah Gajah in Ubud, Bali offers one of the finest luxury retreats in the world. With 20 elegantly appointed villas and suites gracefully scattered over a 5 hectare expanse of rural landscaping, luxury is celebrated as one with nature.

#### 2. Langkawi, Malaysia

The 91 guest pavilions and villas in Four Seasons are a fusion of traditional Malaysian design elements and contemporary resort features, with wood floors, high ceilings and large open verandas. Inspired by the traditions of indigenous artisans, the décor reflects the vibrancy of the natural environment. Some villas and all lower-level pavilions include secluded outdoor bathing and showers that suggest the feeling of a tropical rainfall.

#### 3. Maldives

The tropical paradise island of Huvafen Fushi combines the relaxation of spa treatments with luxury and impeccable service along with the unrivalled tranquillity of being underwater among some of the world's most captivating sea life.

#### 4. Vietnam

Named Hotel of the Year by Tatler magazine, Six Senses Hideaway is a luxury resort that attempts to work well with its natural surroundings. Accessible only by boat, the five-star getaway's architectural style reflects traditional Vietnam, as is most evident in the reception champa and dining pavilions, which are classic Vietnam structures transported across the water and assembled at the site.

#### 5. Rajasthan, India

Situated on the banks of the placid Lake Pichola, the breathtakingly grand hotel recreates the likeness of a Rajasthani Mewari palace with its intricate columns and goldleaf domes – an excellent example of how palace architecture of the past influences modern resort of today's India.

## **6. Bali, Indonesia, Part II**

The 147 free-standing thatched roof villas in Four Seasons overlook the pristine Jimbaran Bay. Inspired by traditional Balinese structure, each of the villas has a separate sleeping, bathing and living pavilions with its very own plunge pool.

## **7. Pangkor, Malaysia**

Moving away from the emphasis of heritage to the lushness of natural resources the land has to offer, we examine Pangkor Laut Resort, where signature Sea Villas stand elegantly on stilts above playful waves.

## **8. Cambodia, Part I**

We take a look at La Residence d'Angkor and The Heritage Suites Hotel, whose unique features promise to bring you back in time to experience the architecture of the Angkorian centuries and the more recent French Art Deco Movement. Indulge in the blend of east and west, evidenced by the enchanting Angkorian relief-carvings and tastefully endowed French décor of the hotels.

## **9. Jaipur, India**

We look at The Oberoi Rajvilas and The Raj Palace, slowly shifting through centuries of India's romancing heritage in a stunning backdrop of Rajput and Mughal architecture. Dive into the opulent blend of the east, detailed with the charm of Rajput royalty that is impacted in these renowned palaces.

## **10. Ranthambore, India**

We look at the Oberoi Vanyavilas and the Nahargarh Resort. These remarkable fortresses are nestled between the Aravalli, Vindhya ranges and the densely forested valleys. Part of the Ranthambore national park, reputed as the home of the only dry deciduous tiger habitat in the world, these ultimate destinations unfold the magical natural beauty of the wilderness.

## **11. Fuchun, China**

Perched atop a lush green tea plantation, inspired by a 14th century masterpiece, we take an exclusive peek into the Fuchun Resort that combines nature's perfection and man's ingenuity. Then intrigue your visual senses at the Hotel Of Modern Art, a hotel literally built within a sculpture park that boasts of works by renowned sculptors.

## **12. Kayumanis, China**

We visit two ultra-luxurious resorts built on sites that are steeped in history. The Aman Summer Palace was built from what were the former outhouses of Beijing's legendary Summer Palace

where Empress Dowager Cixi held court. The Kayumanis Nanjing Resort is set amidst hot springs revered for centuries by princes and poets alike.

### **13. Phuket, Thailand**

This episode showcases the possibilities of Phuket in two visually contrasting resorts, The Indigo Pearl, a modern treasure trove of design, and The Six Senses Hideaway a minimalist ode to nature. Come see how both resorts surprise in their distinct way, yet meet in their common quest to preserve and celebrate their history and surrounds.

### **14. Krabi**

Cloaked in lush Asian rainforest's and with powder soft beaches spun along the border of the exotic Southern Thailand shores, we bring you to the Phuket province of Krabi where we explore the spectacular beauty of the idyllic Rayavadee Resort before stretching further down the shore to the pristine Pimalai Resort where a unique lost paradise can be found in tourist Thailand.

### **15. Koh Samui**

We visit two luxury resorts that have come to characterize Ko Samui's exciting new landscape. While the Six Senses Hideaway Samui and The Library are starkly different from each other, they both seem to epitomize that 'new bohemian chic' that is very much the character of Ko Samui today.

### **16. Golden Triangle, Thailand**

Amongst Thailand's exotic bamboo jungles and tropical rivers, we dive into showcasing two of the most exclusive and luxurious resorts that Thailand has to offer: the Four Seasons Tented Camp and the reputed Anantara Golden Triangle Resort. Both resorts blend the enigmatic flavours of Thailand.

### **17. Sri Lanka**

It has been said that Marco Polo once described Sri Lanka as one of the 'finest islands in the world'. In this episode, we look at how The Fortress and Kahanda Kanda depict luxury in the form of exquisite eastern citadels that twist the influence of the more historic western flavour, mixing experience with the indulgent Sri Lankan culture.

### **18. Cambodia, Part II**

We take a look at Amansara and Hotel de La Paix, whose unique blend of east and west, old and new, promise to bring you back in time to experience the exotic architecture of the Angkorian centuries and the more recent colonial era. Indulge in the exquisite khmer art and modern luxury, evidenced by the enchanting relief-cravings and elegant contemporary design of the hotels.

## 19. Baros, Maldives

Surrounded by crystal clear seas and a vast cloudless blue sky, more than 1,000 idyllic islands are strewn across the Indian Ocean within the Maldives. Taking residence on some of the world's most beautiful locations is the Conrad Bali resort and further on in the Indian sea, lies the Baros Resort and Spa.

## 20. Maldives

Enter the realm of luxury in the Maldives as the Landaa Giraavaru Four Seasons charms with its stunning views and exquisite concept villas. Go back to basics at the Island hideaway, where sandy beaches and infinite horizons await.

## 21. Nepal

Draped over the spine of the Himalayas, we travel to the kingdom of Nepal, home of eight world heritage sites, in search of the magnificent Dwarika's Hotel, winner of the Heritage Award and to the Fulbari Resort where even the most adventurous can experience a piece of modern world luxury amidst the world's most beautiful mountain ranges.

## 22. Maldives, Part III

Offering barefoot luxury, we take a dive into the stunning turquoise blue backdrop of the Maldives. In the quiet waters of the Indian Ocean, hides two of Asia's most exclusive resorts; One&Only Reethi Rah and Cocoa Island. These resorts epitomise the perfect idea of beachside deluxe and much of the surrounding waterfronts that surround these resorts have been left untouched in its delicate pure natural state.

## 23. Bali, Indonesia, Part III

We take a look at two luxury resorts situated in lush Bali, a land of startling geographical contrasts. Experience five-star luxury in the magnificent Bulgari resort that rises majestically on a 150m plateau above the Indian ocean, Or be delightfully surprised by the serenity of Alila Manggis tucked away in the shade of sacred Mount Agung.