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## The Most Romantic Hotels in Europe

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When you're in the mood for love, skip the tropical beaches and head straight for Europe, where the hotels charm with everything from dreamy settings and elegant interiors to indulgent restaurants and luxurious spas. Whether your idea of romance is a Provencal manor surrounded by flowering gardens, a Tuscan castle with a heated outdoor pool, or a Santorini favorite with sunset views, you're sure to find passion at one of these properties.

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## [Park Hotel Kenmare](#)

Shelbourne St, Kenmare, Co. Kerry, Ireland

If a hotel has a swank spa that administers treatments using ultra-expensive (and effective) Sisley products, it's probably something special. And if those treatments come in a Victorian manse overlooking the placid waters of Kenmare Bay in...

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## [Pestana Palace Lisboa](#)

R. Jau 54, 1300-314 Lisboa, Portugal

About a 20-minute cab ride from the historic city center, Pestana Palace Lisboa in Santo Amaro bears a unique honor: it's a designated national landmark. The 194-room property occupies a carefully restored 19th-century manor that once...

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### [Hotel Maria Cristina, a Luxury Collection Hotel, San Sebastian](#)

Paseo, República Argentina Kalea, 4, 20004 Donostia, Gipuzkoa, Spain

Inaugurated in 1912 by its namesake, the Spanish regent Maria Cristina, this belle epoque landmark has welcomed international elite to its gilded halls from day one. Designed by the same architect behind the Ritz in [Paris](#), the hotel has long been...

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### [Hôtel de Crillon, a Rosewood Hotel](#)

10 Place de la Concorde, 75008 Paris, France

Steeped in history, this Parisian landmark was commissioned by King Louis XV in 1758, though it didn't open as a hotel until 1909. Since then, it has seen such notable guests as Franklin D. Roosevelt, Leonard Bernstein, Madonna, and more...

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### [Hôtel Le Pignonnet](#)

5 Avenue du Pignonnet, 13090 Aix-en-Provence, France

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Tucked away in a quiet pocket of Aix-en-Provence, Hôtel Le Pigonnet seems too good to be true, from its four acres of flowering gardens and statue-lined swimming pool to its outdoor restaurant under the chestnut trees and cozy bar with live...

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## [Hôtel Le Saint-Paul](#)

86 Rue Grande, 06570 Saint-Paul-de-Vence, France

Housed in a refurbished 16th-century residential building, Hôtel Le Saint-Paul is a beautiful old lodging in the heart of St-Paul-de-Vence, a hillside medieval town characterized by winding cobblestone roads and sea views. The 16...

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## [Hotel d'Angleterre](#)

Kongens Nytorv 34, 1050 København, Denmark

Copenhagen's grandest hotel, and one of its oldest, the d'Angleterre originally opened in 1755 as a restaurant, the brainchild of Jean Marchand and Maria Coppy, who met and fell in love while working at the royal court. The current...

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## [Pulitzer Amsterdam](#)

Prinsengracht 315, 1016 GZ Amsterdam, Netherlands

One could argue that the Pulitzer Amsterdam isn't actually one hotel. Before 1960, each of its 25 buildings was an individual, 17th- or 18th-century merchant canal house. Painstaking renovations over the years have guaranteed that each room...

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## [The Chedi Andermatt](#)

Gotthardstrasse 4, 6490 Andermatt, Switzerland

Opened in 2013, The Chedi Andermatt enjoys a unique location in the charming village of Andermatt in the Ursern Valley. Designed by architect Jean-Michel Gathy, the luxurious hotel draws on both Alpine and Asian influences, spanning...

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## [Castello Banfi il Borgo](#)

Castello di Poggio alle Mura, 53024 Montalcino SI, Italy

For nearly three centuries, workers serving the nobility at Castello Banfi in [Tuscany](#) lived in a small hamlet within the castle grounds. In 2007, however, the stone houses within their tiny village were completely renovated under the direction of...

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## [Hotel Santa Caterina](#)

Via Mauro Comite, 9, 84011 Amalfi SA, Italy

Built into rocky cliffs that tumble down to the sea, Hotel Santa Caterina is the embodiment of [Amalfi Coast](#) dreams. Bougainvillea blooms adorn corners of the 19th-century mansion, while lush terraced gardens teem with citrus trees and vine-covered...

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## [Hotel Imperial](#)

Kärntner Ring 16, 1015 Wien, Austria

Originally built as a residence for Prince Philip of Württemberg in 1863, this grand structure was opened as the Hotel Imperial in 1873. It indeed still resembles a palace, with Greek statues, chandeliers, and high, intricately designed...

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## [Four Seasons Hotel Gresham Palace](#)

Budapest, Széchenyi István tér 5-6, 1051 Hungary

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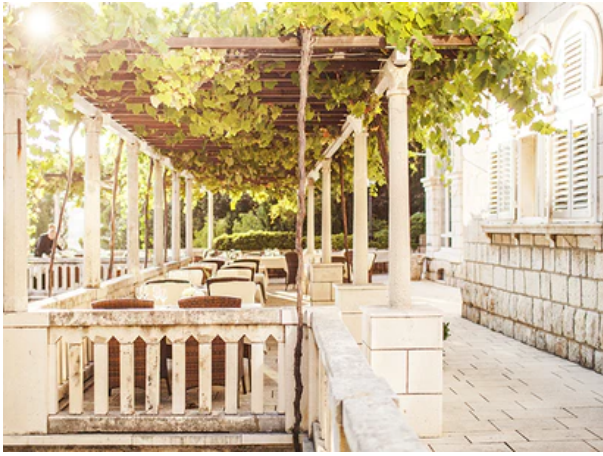
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It's hard to say what's most appealing about the ultraluxurious Four Seasons Gresham Palace, a stately Art Nouveau hotel on the banks of the Danube. Perhaps it's the central location, on the Pest side of the iconic Chain Bridge,...

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## [Villa Orsula Dubrovnik](#)

Ul. Frana Supila 14, 20000, Dubrovnik, Croatia

Built in the 1930s as a private villa, this boutique hotel was renovated in 2012, but still makes guests feel as if they're staying in someone's home. Perched on a steep hillside across the bay from the Old Town, it features stone...

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## [Katikies Hotel](#)

Nik. Nomikou (Main Street), Oía 847 02, Greece

Nothing says Santorini like an aqua-blue infinity pool, and Katikies has three of them—all the better to take in westward-facing sunset views. Carved out of the cliff side 300 feet above the Aegean, the hotel's public spaces are...

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