10. Anantara Hua Hin Resort & Spa, Thailand

Why you love it: Just south of Bangkok, the Anantara Hua Hin Resort & Spa, set in a sleepy seaside town once employed by royals as a summer playground, still looks the part. Rooms have hand-crafted wooden armoires, luxurious Thai silk accents, and the occasional private terrace that overlooks either the tropical gardens or ocean. The roughly 14-acre garden dreamt up by architect and landscape designer Bill Bensley is designed to resemble an ancient Thai village, and water features like lagoons and lotus ponds surround the property. With nine restaurants and lounges, there's a lot to choose from: Readers recommend Rim Nam for Thai and fusion cuisines, or Spice Spoons, to school you in the art of perfectly balanced curries.