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Shop, swim, and discover in Thailand

The most discerning of Dubai fashionistas, as well as shopaholics around the world, will fall in love with Bangkok, with its luxe stores in modern, multilevel malls and the buzzing street markets for grabbing a bargain or two with your Thai Baht. Pack with you Louis Vuitton shoes, Love Moschino at Graziashop pants, and the Apple Watch Hermes. Or visit Koh Samui and stay at Anantara Lawana Koh Samui Resort which is one of the most elegant and prestigious Koh Samui resorts. Pack with you a pair of Stella McCartney slippers from Bloomingdale's Dubailf you're going to Chiang Mai, stay at the dusitD2 which is Chiang Mai's first chic, contemporary establishment for travelers. Pack with you an Adidas top and Philippe Model sneakers so you can be comfortable as you walk.

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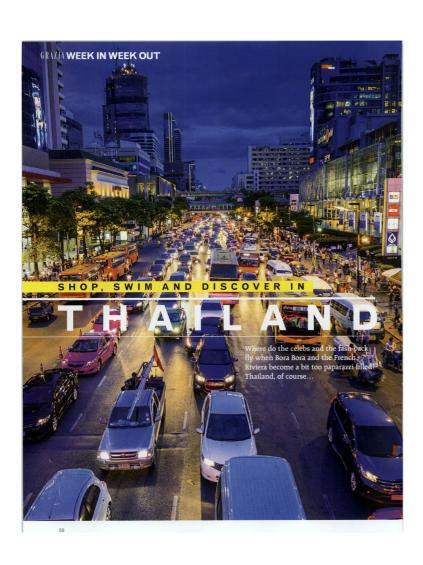


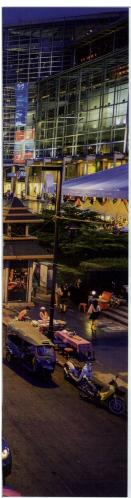














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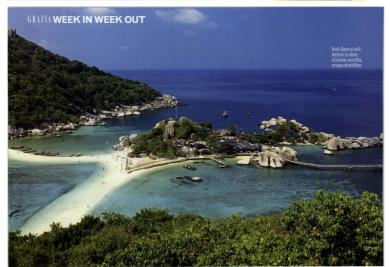
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- St Regis Bangkok (+66 22007 7777)

Located in the centre of the city's shooping haven, this bespoke luxury hotel offers 227 spacious rooms with floor-to-ceiling views, a private butler service, extraordinary pampering at Elemis Spa. nine restaurants including the famed Japanese eatery Zuma, and an outdoor pool and lounge area with panoramic views over this vibrant city. ▶





Koh Samui

The quintessential honeymoon destination, which offers candleilt dinners by the ocean and spacious suites for two – Koh Samui is not only perfect for love birds. While the soft white said and crystal blue water will tempt you to laze about on a daybed from sunrise to sunset, this silylli location offers more than just a great place to sunbake. A walk to a nearby waterfall, a visit to the butterfly gardens, and watersports such as jetboarding, water-sking, and parasailing are all on your sandy, seaside doorstep.

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Anantara Lawana Koh Samul Resort (+66 77 960 33)
One of the most elegant and prestigious Koh Samul resorts, this establishment lives up to the high standards the world has come to know and love of Anantara properties. Located on the secluded northern end of Chaweng Beach, rise early and watch the sunrise over the palm-forested coastline from your villa, dine on fresh fruits in the treebouse restaurant, and then retire for the morning to the award-winning Anantars Spa — we suggest indulging in the 200-minute Coconut Paradise treatment, complete with a coconut scrub, wrap and massage.





Thalland's northern capital and second largest city offers what the largest – Bangkok – cannot... peace and quiet! With the feel of a cosy, sleepy town, get your zen on in the lush mountains, pristine rainforest reserves, and bubbling hot springs. Wander about the hundreds of temples, sample delicious dishes in the city's backstreets, and take in the greenery and the fresh air. It's time to reflect and breathe. For the adventurers who can't just chill, Chiang Mai provides the opportunity to trek, raft, and even take an elephant ride or two. And for those who are having Bangkok withdrawals, never fear – have your baht in your bag for buying up crafts and antiques on sale at the several night markets.

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One of Chiang Mai's first chic, contemporary establishments for travellers, this 131-room boutique hotel is surrounded by the city's bustling night bazaar and authentic Thai restaurants – perfect for any Grazia girl, right? For those looking to wind down even more, treat yourself at dusitD2's multi-award winning Devarana Spa, before dining at the hotel's cool yet casual Moxie restaurant. ●







