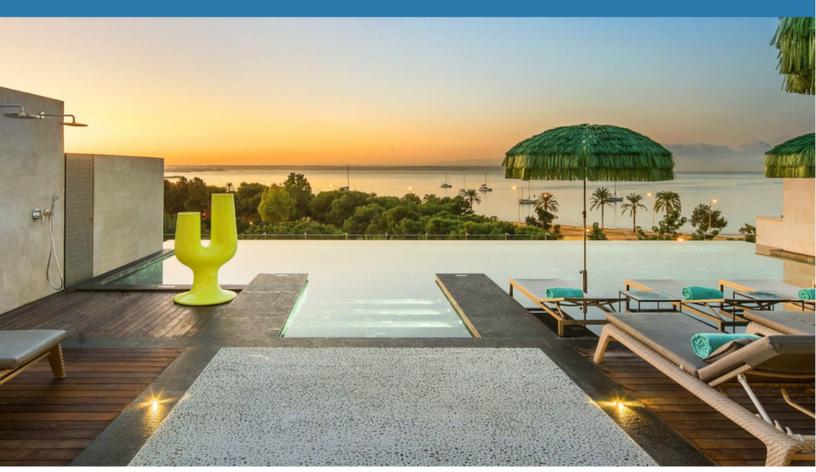
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25 of the best hotels in Mallorca

Whether you're looking for a seaside escape, a buzzy party town or a luxurious rural retreat, Mallorca is full of atmospheric places to stay



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ver popular and increasingly stylish, Mallorca may have first found fame as an idyllic escape in the 1950s, but it is the master of reinvention. You can still find charming stone villages within the folds of the Tramuntana Mountains and coves left to nature, embraced by rocky cliffs and fragrant pines. But you'll also find a buzzing capital positioning itself as a sunny city break destination, elegant marinas filled with superyachts, smart resorts set on golden sands and farmhouse hotels promising the kind of rural bliss you'll find in an interiors magazine. With so many striking places to stay, it can be hard to choose. Here are some of the best hotels in Mallorca.

16. El Llorenc Parc de la Mar, Palma



El Llorenc Parc de la Mar

££ | SPA | POOL | Best for architectural wonder

A design hotel set in one of Palma's most historic neighbourhoods, this boutique bolt hole manages to combine historic finds with contemporary elegance. An Ilth-century Arabic oven is incorporated into the design, patterned wooden floors reflect Arabic star motifs and the cyan-hued spa is an homage to traditional Arab baths. It's all balanced out by soft neutral shades and sumptuous textures, and crowned with a chic rooftop, complete with the city's longest infinity pool, a cocktail bar and ornate Bali beds that feel more like personal cabanas. Soak up sea and city views, then head to Michelin-starred Dins Santi Taura restaurant for an inventive twist on traditional ingredients.

21. El Vicenc de la Mar, Cala Sant Vicenc



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Bringing a splash of contemporary style to the rugged north of the island, this five-star retreat is tucked into crinkled cliffs. All soothing taupe and natural stone with touches of brilliant turquoise that reflect the hue of the various pools, it is a soothing spot set right in front of the beach. While away your days relaxing by the rooftop pool, upgrade to a swim-up suite, or retreat to the elegant spa with its relaxation area, heated pool and thermal circuit. Spend cosy evenings in the private cinema, or dine at the two restaurants under the direction of chef Santi Taura; rooftop El Vicenc serves à la carte Mediterranean cuisine, while U Mayol is a relaxed seafood bistro.